



**NURSING WEEK 2024**

# **Sample Letter to the Editor**

Date

Dear Editor,

Every year, the Ontario Nurses' Association (ONA) commemorates Nursing Week, honouring the hard work and dedication of nurses in our community, across the province and nation-wide. Nursing Week will be held from May 6-12 this year, and I hope the community observes it with us.

This week is a time meant to recognize the skills, dedication and hard work of all nurses and their contributions to the lives of so many. As nurses, we provide care to our patients, residents and clients 24 hours a day, every day of the year and in every sector of health care. Nursing Week is a chance to pause and celebrate the ways in which nurses strengthen the quality of our lives and hold our health-care system together.

This year's Nursing Week theme is:

**We are not an option. We are a necessity.**

**Nous ne sommes pas une option. Nous sommes une nécessité.**

In every sector of our work, we face many challenges and do our best with the resources available to us. We persist despite the attacks on our health-care system and our profession. We take on the challenges and still provide safe, quality care for our patients, residents and clients despite the system's many shortcomings. Inherent in our message is the impact we have through our work and our patient and professional advocacy.

This Nursing Week, join us in the fight. And fight like a nurse!

ONTARIO NURSES' ASSOCIATION

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