



Gaye Hanson

PRESENT OCCUPATION/POSITION

President, Hanson and Associates

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Gaye Hanson is an aboriginal nurse leader who has remained committed to nursing throughout a diverse career. As the former president of the Aboriginal Nurses Association of Canada and a member of national groups, she draws on her practice experience to be a powerful voice for the interests of nurses and populations in rural, remote and aboriginal Canada. She has contributed innovative policy ideas and community-driven solutions in implementing health transfer and self-government. As assistant deputy minister and deputy minister (Yukon), Gaye led intergovernmental negotiations in the health transfer process and policy initiatives including the Health Act and the RN Profession Act. As a consultant and researcher, she has worked to strengthen health systems in underserved regions. As a public speaker and author, she has advanced the areas of nursing leadership, palliative care, cultural competence, health human resources, quality worklife, mental health and healing. Awards: Hazel Keeler (1976) and Judy Hill Scholarship (1981).