



## Our People

**Peggy J. Szumlas, RN, MN, COHN (C) COHN - S, CRSP**

Occupational Health and Safety Specialist

### Expertise:

- Ergonomic Analysis
- Workplace safety programming
- Health and Safety Evaluations

### Profile:

- Serving as the Corporate Ergonomist with responsibilities for the design and participate in promoting a safe, healthy, effective and efficient field/operational and office/administrative working environments
- Provide shared service resources to other branches and departments within the corporation e.g. ergonomic assessments, educational/training programs, case management, advice and consultation
- Established a province-wide “Occupational Health Program” and maintained its ongoing administration
- Directed occupational health services for department’s salaried, wage and contract-based employees, providing resource and case management support
- Initiated, directed, coordinated and evaluated health service contracts with occupational health consultants
- Redesigned occupational health program services through better utilization of resources and more efficient program delivery
- Designed, conducted and evaluated educational and health promotional programs specific to the hazards identified in the various worksite locations
- Ensured the performance of the regulatory health screening programs: Audiometric, Pulmonary Fibrosis and Lead Surveillance
- Identified companies’ occupational health and safety concerns to jointly establish intervention strategies and provided written recommendations for further evaluation

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#### **Education:**

- Master of Nursing, University of Alberta Thesis entitled: “Oncology Nurses’ Perceptions of Occupational Exposure to Antineoplastic Drugs”, 1989
- Occupational Health Nurse Certification, Grant MacEwan College, 1983
- Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing, University of Calgary, 1981
- Registered Nursing Diploma, Galt School of Nursing, Lethbridge, Alberta 1976

#### **Certificates and Accomplishments:**

- Canadian Occupational Health Nurse Certification-Canadian Nurses Association, Ottawa, Ontario
- Certified Occupational Health Nurse Specialist-American Board for Occupational Health Nurses
- Association of Canadian Registered Safety Professionals Certification
- Audiometric Technician Certificate - Alberta Association of Safety Personnel
- Spirometric Technician Certificate - Northern Alberta Institute of Technology
- Venipuncture Technician Certificate - Northern Alberta Institute of Technology
- Health and Safety Auditor Training - Government of Alberta
- Nurse of the Year Award for outstanding achievement, leadership, and practice in occupational health nursing - Alberta Occupational Health Nurses Association
- Basic Trauma Life Support (Advanced Course) Certification - BTLS International, Inc
- Basic Rescuer Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Certification - Canadian First Aid School Corp