



## Sue Matthews

### **PRESENT OCCUPATION/POSITION**

Vice-president, Ontario, and chief of practice for Victorian Order of Nurses

### **MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

As provincial chief nursing officer (2004-2006), Sue was the voice of nursing in Ontario. She challenged practices and culture, created quality workplaces, stabilized employment for nurses, and established a solid foundation for the future growth of the profession. She led a comprehensive strategy to support all nurses. Her poignant stories describe the essence of nursing. Through mentorship, Sue continuously supports new leaders.

Sue continues to influence and advocate for nursing in her current role as VP, Ontario, and chief of practice for the Victorian Order of Nurses. She is a member of the National Expert Committee on Interprofessional Education for Collaborative Patient-Centred Practice and a co-investigator of the Canadian Nursing Leadership Study. Awards include the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario Leadership in Nursing Administration (2002) and the Women's Executive Network's Canada's Most Powerful Women: Top 100 (2004).

Sue served on the Nursing Leadership Network of Ontario's board, created an interdisciplinary forum when she founded the Professional Practice Network of Ontario, and advanced patient-centred care as Chief Nursing Officer at Southlake Regional Health Centre.