

Biography
Judith A. Ritchie, N., PhD



For nearly a quarter of a century, Judith Ritchie has been seeking ways to link nursing practice and nursing research. Since her appointment in 2000 as Associate Director for Nursing Research at the McGill University Health Centre, her research has focused on knowledge translation and nursing services administration and she collaborates with her leadership colleagues in practice, administration and the university to foster those linkages. Her currently funded research projects are mainly related to implementation of practice guidelines and the contextual variables influencing successful implementation of evidence-based practice and decision-making. She is one of the co-leaders of the MUHC Nursing Best Practice Guideline Implementation Program.

She is a Maritimer who has worked in children's hospitals or taught at university for most of her career. For more than two decades prior to her appointment at the MUHC, she was a faculty member at Dalhousie University. She was also Director of Nursing Research at the IWK Hospital in Halifax. Her teaching and research during that period focused on children and families coping with pain or chronic illness.