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Sherry Espin PhD, RN obtained her PhD in Health Professions Education from the University of Toronto in 2006, her MA from Central Michigan University in 1997 and her nursing degree from the University of Western Ontario in 1988. Dr. Espin currently teaches and conducts research as an Associate Professor in the School of Nursing at Ryerson University. She is an Affiliated Scholar with the Wilson Centre for Health Professions Education and the Li Ka Shing Knowledge Institute. Prior to joining Ryerson, she spent four years as a Research Fellow at the Wilson Centre. During this time, while working on her PhD, Sherry began work as a co-investigator on a research programme examining inter-professional communication on healthcare teams.

Her PhD thesis work focused on the diversity of inter-professional team members' perspectives on the topic of error, error disclosure and reporting as well as patients' perceptions of these issues. The results of this work have recently been published in the journals Surgery, AORN and Quality and Safety in Healthcare.

Dr. Espin's current programme of research seeks to theorize how professionals on the health care team interact with one another in the context of perceived errors of care, in settings such as the intensive care unit, the operating room and the medical inpatient ward. Further, she is beginning to explore processes and outcomes related to interprofessional education and is currently working on a new book on interprofessional teamwork with Canadian and UK colleagues

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