

Spotlight on JANICE MILLER

Janice is more than a North American ICF star, she has been an ICF international beacon. Janice served the ICF world during the grittier days of ICF revision, a challenging period when ICIDH-2 was being tested and the environment portion was being developed. From 1996 - 2001, at CIHI, Janice lead the Canadian efforts in the ICIDH-2 revision process. As co-chair of the WHO Environmental Force Task Force with Rachel Hurst, she completed a four-month secondment with the WHO writing team in 1999. Janice is a physiotherapist and a health management consultant. She was educated in England as a physiotherapist, and returned to Canada to work and to complete her studies at the University of Alberta. In her clinical practice days she specialized in private practice (orthopaedic manual therapy) and cardiac rehabilitation. After completing an MBA in Ottawa, she moved into the health information field at the Canadian Institute for Health Information and recently at the Canadian Institutes of Health Research. Her other international activities include development of the OSCE certification examinations for the American College of Sports Medicine. Janice currently works as an independent consultant. In her spare time, she is an avid hiker and has trekked in the Canadian Arctic, the Himalayas, New Zealand and South Africa. This August she and her husband Nelson are heading for the Yukon for a week of trekking and camping above the tree-line. As the photo shows, Janice likes spending her winter weekends playing in the elements. The photo shows her standing on her 'Quinzee' or snow cave. She built it by piling snow up, out on a frozen lake. Then she let it settle or 'sinter'. After a few hours she shoveled out the inside. The sticks ensured that she didn't shovel through the wall of her shelter! She insists that it slept three persons very comfortably in this one at -25C temperatures!. One of Janice's two Scottish terriers, Abby, was in the snow cave too! To receive an invitation to sleep in her next snow cave, contact her at: Janice Miller BScBio BScPT MBA; JMiller & Associates, Ottawa Canada; miller.janice@sympatico.ca.