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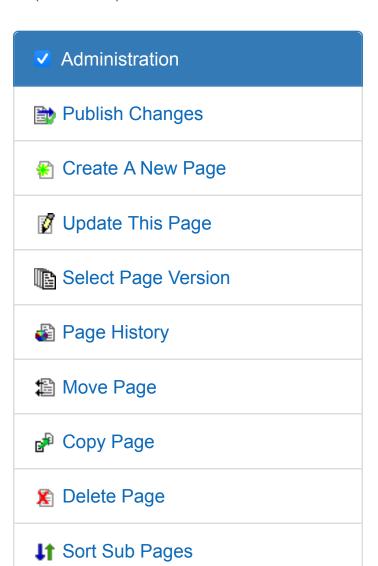
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## Joan Stevenson-Wright

Current Cardiac Technologists (Oct 2012)



## Joan Stevenson-Wright

JOAN STEVENSON-WRIGHT RNM 1913 - 1990



Joan was born in Dannevirke, and educated at Wellington Girls' College. She and her sister Eila, commenced nursing training at Wellington Hospital in August, 1934. Eila would go on to become the Sister in Ward 7 where Charles Burns had patients. Another sister Dora, and brother Earl, were Otago medical graduates.

Earl practiced in Newtown and was visiting anaesthetist at Wellington Hospital. Dora married Campbell Young (a Karori GP) and she too was a visiting anaesthetist at the hospital.

Joan completed her nursing training in 1938 and in 1940 was appointed staff nurse in the Cardiology Department. Her main role was to record and process ECGs and to undertake BMR tests. She was promoted to the status of Sister in 1942 and within a few years was joined by Sister Sheila Carmody who would share in the increasing workload.

Joan remained as Sister/Technician in Cardiology until 1964 when she moved to the Neurology Department to record EEGs. She retired in 1965.

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