

## **Academy of Medical-Surgical Nurses (AMSN)**

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**President Elect:** Sandra Fights, MS, RN, CMSRN, CNE, Immediate Past President

**Executive Director:** Cynthia N. Hnatiuk, EdD, RN, CAE

### **Past Year's Progress:**

- Increased members awareness of healthy workplace environment practices through the development of a resource toolkit on the AMSN Website and poster provided to all members.
- Developed Performance/Quality Improvement content for the EBP/Research section of the website.
- Electronically published the Scope & Standards of Medical-Surgical Nursing Practice, 5th Ed and the Scope & Standards of Medical-Surgical Clinical Nurse Specialist Practice, 2nd Ed. Both are complimentary.
- Developed the AMSN PRISM Award (Premier Recognition in the Specialty of Med-Surg), the first program for recognition of exemplary medical-surgical nursing units, in collaboration with the Medical-Surgical Nursing Certification Board (MSNCB), the AMSN certification partner.
- Transitioned the former Nurses Nurturing Nurses (N3) program into the AMSN Mentoring Program, featuring self-directed manuals that will help individuals and facilities custom design their own mentoring program. This complimentary resource may be found at [www.amsn.org/mentoring](http://www.amsn.org/mentoring).
- Collaborated with AACN in the process for developing care coordination on competencies for RNs.
- Participated in NQF & ANA Organizational Affiliate activities.
- Member of ANSR & Nursing Community. Signed on to several initiatives.
- Participated in the Joining Forces initiatives.
- Over 2,300 nurses earned the Certified Medical-Surgical Registered Nurse (CMSRN) credential through MSNCB, bringing the total of CMSRNs to 15,000.

### **New Year's Focus:**

- Present the first AMSN PRISM Award to exemplary medical-surgical nursing units that meet the established criteria.
- Implement online methods for members to share clinical information.
- Develop a clinical leadership development program for bedside nurses.
- Collaborate with other nursing organizations to prepare nurses for accountable care organizations, the IOM Future of Nursing recommendations and other health care reform initiatives.
- Implement strategies to promote the self-sustainment of local chapters.
- Participate in NQAC initiatives.

### **Current Interests:**

- Healthy work environment
- Clinical leadership
- Care coordination and transitional care
- Volunteer management

**Academy of Neonatal Nursing**  
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**President:** Debbie Fraser, MN, RNC-NIC  
**President Elect:** n/a  
**Executive Director:** same

**Past Year's Progress:** Our organization offered three successful national meetings; planned and organized three CNE webinars; developed affiliation with industry sponsors for funding of educational activities; further developed the ANN education committee and panel of experts; reviewed and updated CNE activities where required; established new providership guidelines for all CNE activities; increased membership benefit resources to include medication screening tool, professional image tool-kit, smart phone apps, certification test taking hints; developed successful marketing campaigns to increase membership base and conference loyalty; developed Facebook learning opportunity using high-fidelity simulation mannequin and case studies; initiated development and preparation of new association website.

**New Year's Focus:** Analyze cost and feasibility of local and/or regional meetings; plan three national meetings; develop and expand library of online CNE activities; develop informational podcasts and youtube videos; increase membership involvement in association activities; develop industry partnerships to increase online learning opportunities.

**Current Interests:**

- Health Care Reform and implementation of the IOM recommendations
- Engaging both younger and seasoned nurses in the work of the academy
- Ensuring that neonatal care providers continue to receive quality education at affordable prices

**Air & Surface Transport Nurses Association**  
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**Executive Director:** Karen Wojdyla

**Past Year's Progress:** ASTNA represents over 1700 transport nurses worldwide. Safety is at the forefront of our agenda: whether working in a helicopter, airplane, or ground ambulance, transport nurses must carefully manage both operational and patient safety in their jobs. We represent transport nurses on safety matters at the state and national levels, including testifying and meeting with legislators, and participating in government and industry forums. Education is another primary focus for ASTNA. We offer a Transport Nurse Advanced Trauma Course (TNATC) and an Advanced Provider Course, the only advanced-level trauma care courses specifically for transport nurses. In keeping up with technology, we are working on a plan to offer this class with an online option. Specialty certification is closely linked with education. We collaborate with the International Association of Flight and Critical Care Paramedics (IAFCCP) and offer a Transport Certification Exam Review Course (TraCER), designed to help transport nurses and their partner transport paramedics be successful on specialty certification exams required the accreditation of programs employing experienced transport nurses. We continue to promote those credentials, Certified Flight Nurse (CFRN) and Certified Transport Nurse (CTRN), and to collaborate with the Board for Certification in Emergency Nursing in their development and administration.

**New Year's Focus:** ASTNA will continue to represent transport nurses in the promotion of safety in all modes of transport. Both individually and in collaboration with other transport organizations, we participate in educational, investigational, advocacy, and regulatory forums designed to maximize the workplace safety of our members. We are currently working on the revision of our Core Curriculum publication, which for the first time, are doing so in collaboration with the IAFCCP. Although ASTNA published its second edition of the Standards for Critical Care and Specialty Ground Transport this year, we are in the process of combining our standards for all transport modes: ground, rotor-wing, fixed-wing, and commercial escort to consolidate the information and provide a stronger resource for air and ground transport programs.

## **American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nursing (AAACN)**

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**President:** Suzanne N. Wells, MSN, RN

**President Elect:** Susan M. Paschke, MSN, RN-BC, NEA-BC

**Executive Director:** Cynthia N. Hnatiuk, EdD, RN, CAE

### **Past Year's Progress:**

- Developed a position paper on the Role of the RN in Ambulatory Care.
- Completed Phase I and II in the development of Care Coordination Competencies.
- Completed a Telehealth Managers toolkit that is offered free to members to assist them in their Telehealth nursing practice.
- Held record breaking 37th annual conference in Lake Buena Vista, FL with 756 total attendees.
- Published the 3rd edition of the Core Curriculum for Ambulatory Care Nursing (release November 2012).
- Signed on to the Joining Forces initiative.
- Participated in the VA/DoD Let's Get Certified Campaign for the 5th year offering discounted study materials to nurses preparing to take the ambulatory certification exam.
- Participated in external collaborations: JCAHO Professional Technical Advisory Committee, American Academy of Pediatrics Section on Telehealth Care, Nursing Community, Americans for Nursing Shortage Relief coalition, Association of Rehabilitation Nurses Task Force, National Council State Boards of Nursing Nurse Licensure Compact Coalition, and Health Information & Management Systems Society.
- Continued endorsement of 2012 National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey (NAMCS).
- Endorsed Professional Nurse Coach Role: Defining Scope of Practice and Competencies, First Edition (2012) developed by Professional Nurse Coach Workgroup (PNCW).
- Participated in AARP Maximizing RN Potential Workgroup.
- Presented Certification Review Course and Telehealth Nursing Practice Core Course across the country.

### **New Year's Focus:**

- Complete and release Care Coordination Competencies for Ambulatory Care Nursing.
- Further explore establishment of a Research committee.
- Update Review Questions publication that assists ambulatory nurses in preparing for the certification exam.
- Establish a task force on Ambulatory Care Nursing Residency.
- Continue to work with the CDC on Nurse Triage Line (NTL) Project in the event of a severe influenza pandemic.
- Develop online Communities of Practice (COPs).
- Create a repository of research and EBP resources in ambulatory care.
- Conduct a successful 2013 annual conference, April 23-26, 2013 at the Las Vegas Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas, NV.
- Continue to update members on the IOM Future of Nursing report recommendations and implement strategies to address them.

### **Current Interests:**

- Care Coordination/Transitional Care.
- Wellness related to the patient and caregiver.
- Meeting the needs of our members.

**American Assoc. of Nurse Anesthetists**

222 So. Prospect Ave.

Park Ridge, IL 60068

**President:** Janice J. Izlar, DNAP, CRNA

**President Elect:** Dennis Bless, MS., CRNA

**Executive Director:** Wanda O. Wilson, PhD, CRNA

**Past Year's Progress:** A major focus was state association and leadership development. A new division for state association management affairs was implemented to provide consultation and support to state association elected volunteer leadership. Best practices in organizational governance, management and coalition building are being disseminated to the state associations through the work of this division. Organizational support for members involved in state Action Coalition work to implement IOM report recommendations was offered through networking sessions at major meetings. The AANA provided input to the credentialing organization, NBCRNA, to clarify future requirements for assuring continued professional competence. The AANA also collaborated with other groups to address advanced practice nursing issues, nursing workforce development and education, and provider nondiscrimination and reimbursement issues within the legislative and regulatory arenas. AANA became a founding sponsor of the IOM Global Forum on Innovation in Health Professional Education. The CRNA role in pain management continues to be clarified. Reimbursement for pain services provided by CRNAs was a major focus during the past year and will continue to be addressed going forward. Member communication was enhanced with introduction of a redesigned website and live stream events at the Annual meeting. An online system for assignment of CE credit was implemented.

**New Year's Focus:** Patient safety and quality care remain organizational priorities. Continued collaboration with the NQF, Safe Injection Practices Coalition and Council for Surgical and Perioperative Safety supports these priorities. The AANA will continue to advocate for adequate supplies of anesthetic and analgesic medications in response to continued shortages of these agents. A major focus will be assuring full access to CRNA services and obtaining equity and parity for CRNA services within all reimbursement systems. The AANA will continue to provide financial and staff support for the Coalition for Patients Rights in order to minimize the impact of any initiatives intended to restrict the legitimate scope of practice of non MD/DO professionals. Advocacy support for nursing education and workforce development initiatives within the Affordable Care Act will continue. Participation in LACE activities continues. Support for state associations seeking gubernatorial opt-outs from the federal physician supervision requirement for Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists will continue. With Kentucky's opt-out from the federal physician supervision rule in April 2012, there are now 17 opt-out states. The AANA continues to invest resources in activities and relationships reflecting our motto: Safe and Effective Anesthesia Care. We will continue to share the message that quality anesthesia care provided by CRNAs is safe, promotes access to care and makes fiscal sense.

**Current Interests:**

- Removing barriers to full scope of APRN practice
- Ensuring equity and parity in reimbursement models across healthcare professions
- Including provider nondiscrimination in federal legislative and regulatory language
- Ensuring that the value of nursing is recognized and incorporated into future efforts to transform the healthcare system
- Educating the public about CRNA education, quality, and cost-effectiveness
- Collaborating with other groups to advocate for funding for nursing education and workforce development at a level that will improve patient access to quality care and strengthen the nation's healthcare system.
- Best practices in organizational governance
- Leadership development

## **American Association of Colleges of Nursing**

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**President:** Jane Kirschling, DNS, RN, FAAN

**President Elect:** Eileen Breslin, PhD, RN, FAAN

**Executive Director:** Geraldine "Polly" Bednash, PhD, RN, FAAN

### **Past Year's Progress:**

- Establishing a five-year cooperative agreement with the CDC to help build capacity in the public health nursing workforce. This work will focus on faculty development and enhancing experiential learning opportunities for students.
- Conducting a new national survey of doctoral nursing students to better assess the decision elements related to choosing a faculty career. This work is funded by the RWJF's Evaluating Innovations in Nursing Education program.
- Collaborating with Brookdale Senior Living on a national program that will expand the use of Clinical Nurse Leaders to improve care and reduce hospital readmissions for older adults. This work is funded through a CMMI Health Care Innovations Challenge grant.
- Partnering with the Jonas Center for Nursing Excellence to increase the number of doctorally prepared nurse faculty in all 50 states. Funding through this \$2.5 million program supports students pursuing research- and practice-focused doctoral degrees.
- Joining with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the Johnson & Johnson Campaign for Nursing's Future to award more than \$4 million in scholarships to nursing students from minority and/or disadvantaged backgrounds.
- With almost \$1 million in funding from RWJF, AACN is extending the national QSEN initiative to faculty teaching in graduate nursing programs by developing consensus-based competency standards, creating learning resources, and hosting faculty development workshops.

### **New Year's Focus:**

- Providing expanded services to students through the newly launched Graduate Nursing Student Academy.
- Collaborating with five other national health professions organizations to advance the work of the Interprofessional Education Collaborative (IPEC) to enhance faculty development and student education in the area of interprofessional education.
- Advancing the IOM report recommendations related to leadership development, expanding educational capacity, academic-practice partnerships, and interprofessional collaboration.
- Expanding faculty development initiatives, including growing the AACN faculty webinar series and offering new enrichment opportunities for nurse educators.
- Supporting nursing schools looking to transition their master's programs to the Doctor of Nurse Practice degree, and for new academic-practice partnerships wishing to join the Clinical Nurse Leader initiative.
- Promoting the CNL certification to recent program graduates and increasing awareness of this emerging role and its positive impact on patient safety and high quality care.
- Expanding participation of all nursing schools in the Joining Forces campaign to improve the care of veterans and their families.
- Collaborating with the University HealthSystem Consortium to promote the jointly developed post-baccalaureate residency program to hospitals nationwide.
- Enhancing the reach of NursingCAS, the profession's centralized application service for students applying to RN programs at all levels.

### **Current Interests:**

- Raising the education level of the nursing workforce
- Addressing the nurse faculty shortage
- Promoting interprofessional education
- Providing faculty development opportunities
- Enhancing diversity in the nursing workforce and faculty population
- Preparing more nurses researchers/scientists
- Expanding capacity in schools of nursing
- Enhancing patient care through nursing education
- Facilitating the transition to the DNP Promoting the adoption of the CNL role across practice settings
- Securing funding to nursing students and schools of nursing
- Responding to the IOM report on the Future of Nursing

**American Association of Critical-Care Nurses**

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**President:** Kathryn Roberts, RN, MSN, CCRN, CCNS

**President Elect:** Vicki Good, RN, MSN, CENP

**Executive Director:** Wanda Johanson, RN, MN

**Past Year's Progress:**

- Expanded educational programming, reaching 40,000 nurses in high intensity and critical care practice
- Partnered to advance goals for eliminating hospital acquired infections
- Launched Clinical Scene Investigator Academy to empower bedside nurses as clinician leaders and change agents whose initiatives measurably improve patient outcomes with bottom-line impact to the hospital
- Awarded excellence designations to 81 units throughout the nation
- Recognized continued organizational growth, achieving 98,000 members and 73,000 certified nurses.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Enhance and expand digital resources including web, and mobile
- Continue implementation of CSI Academy
- Complete enhancements to headquarters staffing infrastructure
- Continue responsive development of education and practice resources.

**Current Interests:**

- Quality and safety initiatives
- Innovative learning methods
- Excellence initiatives
- Best practices in digital content delivery
- Connecting nurses new in practice.

**American Association of Heart Failure Nurses**

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**President:** Linda Baas RN, PhD, ACNP, CHFNP

**President Elect:** Peggy Kirkwood RN, MSN, ACNPC, CHFNP, AACC

**Executive Director:** Pete Pomilio

**Past Year's Progress:** AAHFN membership climbs over 1,800 233 new nurses hold the Certified Heart Failure Nurse distinction Highest attendance during annual meeting at 780 Completed first edition of Heart Failure Nursing Certification - Core Curriculum Review Produced heart failure patient care video

**New Year's Focus:** Offering option to take certification exam at national testing centers Position papers on certification and patient care First annual Advanced Heart Failure Symposia in January Launching online Certification Course

**Current Interests:** Pursuing online education Building strategic alliances with like associations

## **American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants**

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Chicago, IL 60611

**President:** Sharon McQuown, MSN RN LNCC

**President Elect:** Elizabeth Zorn, BSN RN LNCC

**Executive Director:** Kevin Baliozian

**Past Year's Progress:** AALNC leaders met in January 2012 to update its strategic plan. As industry leader, AALNC aims to both improve the quality and scope of its education offering to Legal Nurse Consultants (LNCs), and to increase its visibility to the legal community. It is taking particular care to ensure that all initiatives are part of an effective business model. AALNC is completing the Scope and Standards document, and working on a new Core Competencies document, which will drive future educational development for LNCs, and reinforce the importance of the Legal Nurse Consultant Certification (LNCC). AALNC's Director of Programs, Pat Davis, joined AALNC in January 2012 to support the efforts of the association in updating and expanding its educational product portfolio. AALNC successfully held its Legal Nurse Consulting Educational and Networking Forum in San Antonio, Texas in March 2012. The forum attracted over 200 attendees. AALNC's President, Sharon McQuown was appointed Vice Chair of the ABA's Nursing Alliance and Allied Healthcare Professionals in August 2012, consistent with AALNC's strategy to develop a working relationship with the ABA. AALNC was accredited by the ANCC as an approved provider in September 2012 which was a huge accomplishment for the organization and will help establish us as the leader in our industry. AALNC is releasing a new version of its LNC Locator in October 2012, the online search tool that identifies LNCs by location and expertise areas

**New Year's Focus:** In 2013, AALNC will continue to develop its strategic initiatives: updated modules of the Legal Nurse Consulting Online Course, new case studies and an expanded webinar program that will include an LNCC Review Course. AALNC will also complete the Core Competencies document it started in 2012, with an associated Curriculum Map. AALNC will continue to work with industry partners on LNC awareness, and with education providers on integrating the AALNC curriculum into their educational offering. AALNC's 2013 Legal Nurse Consulting Educational and Networking Forum will take place in Chicago, Illinois on April 4-6.

### **Current Interests:**

- Medical Malpractice
- Personal Injury
- Workers Compensation
- Risk Management
- Toxic Torts
- Product liability
- Elder Law/Long term care
- Life Care Planning
- Criminal/Forensics
- Regulatory Compliance

**American Association of Neuroscience Nurses (AANN)**

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**President:** Linda Littlejohns, MSN, RN, FAAN

**President Elect:** Mary Kay Bader, MSN, RN, CNRN, FAHA

**Executive Director:** Joan Kram, MBA, RN, FACHE

**Past Year's Progress:** AANN published "Integrating the Institute of Medicine Future of Nursing Report into the American Association of Neuroscience Nurses Strategic Plan". AANN's White Paper response to the IOM Future of Nursing was released in May. AANN's Journal of Neuroscience Nursing received it's first impact factor. Reaccreditation with ANCC

**New Year's Focus:** Focusing on dissemination of AANN's White Paper response to the IOM Future of Nursing. Publications:

- a) Revised Scope & Standards
- b) Myasthenia Gravis Clinical Practice Guidelines
- c) Brain Tumor Clinical Practice Guidelines and
- d) Stroke Study Guide Development of the new Advocacy Committee.

**Current Interests:** Advocacy Board Development Funding / financial support for annual meetings

**American Association of Occupational Health Nurses (AAOHN)**

7794 Grow Drive  
Pensacola, FL 32514

**President:** Catherine Pepler, MBA, BS, COHN-S/CM, FAAOHN

**President Elect:** Pam Carter, RN, COHN-S

**Executive Director:** Kay Campbell, EdD, RN-C, COHN-S, FAAOHN

**Past Year's Progress:** The AAOHN Board of Directors met in April at the AAOHN 2012 Annual Conference held in Nashville Tennessee with 1100 nurses in attendance. During that meeting, the board reviewed activities accomplished and planned for the following year to support the strategic plan that was set the year before. Over the past year, the organization has established its financial roots, developed an educational platform to meet member needs, has projects in place to improve the infrastructure of the organization as well as reaching out to our colleagues in collaborative initiatives.

**New Year's Focus:** Looking ahead, AAOHN strives to meet the needs of its membership through a strong educational initiative called the AAOHN Academy, setting goals for development of an active governmental affairs initiative as well as develop a robust website to enhance the our ability to the source for all things OHN. Plans will begin in late 2013 for a Leadership and Talent Development program.

**Current Interests:**

- Leadership and Talent Development initiatives
- Legislative issues affecting occupational, safety, and environmental health
- Technology Marketing strategies
- Identifying new sources of revenue
- Development and promotion of resources and education
- Collaborations
- Grants and funding of research and education
- Organizational representation



## **American College of Nurse Practitioners**

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**President:** Jill Olmstead MSN, NP-C

**President Elect:** Ken Miller, PhD, RN, CFNP, FAAN

**Executive Director:** David Hebert

**Past Year's Progress:** ACNP is in the midst of a proposed merger with the AANP. Our current effort is to continue with due diligence and plan for the coming year with a new organization. On the policy front, we have continued to work toward the passage of legislation which will reduce barriers to practice.

**New Year's Focus:** If the merger between the AANP and the ACNP is successful, we will look to enhance our efforts with both state and federal government affairs and create a more robust presence for nurse practitioners in the public policy debate.

**Current Interests:** Reducing barriers to practice on the federal level, allowing nurse practitioners to order home health, assisting states with their scope of practice battles, ensuring that the implementation of the Affordable Care Act allows for a meaningful role for nurse practitioners, especially in the state exchanges.

## **American Medical Informatics Association**

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Bethesda, MD 20814

**President:**

**President Elect:**

**Executive Director:** Karen Greenwood

**Past Year's Progress:** AMIA is the center of action for more than 4,000 health care professionals, informatics researchers and thought leaders in biomedicine, health care and science. AMIA's Nursing Informatics Working Group (NIWG) is one of 24 professional interest sections within the organization. Nurse informaticians work as developers of communication and information technologies, educators, researchers, chief nursing officers, chief information officers, software engineers, implementation consultants, policy developers, and business owners, to advance healthcare. NIWG is one of AMIA's largest and most active working groups. In 2012, NIWG co-hosted NI2012: The 11th International Congress on Nursing Informatics. Nearly 600 nurses, midwives, community health workers and scientists convened in Montreal, Canada and participated in a program that was built around the world's most knowledgeable and highly-trained informatics professionals. The meeting featured talks from all over the world showcasing evidence-based IT used to care for people through clinical and administrative information systems and mobile devices.

**New Year's Focus:** NIWG launched its online community platform which provides a rich environment for member-based communication. NIWG continues to focus its efforts to promote nursing informatics research and scholarship as well as work with AMIA in its interdisciplinary focus on education and training in informatics. Our 10x10 program offered by the School of Nursing at the University of Minnesota examines the implications of informatics for nursing practice, public health, and healthcare. The course is intended for nursing professionals with an interest in health informatics. NIWG is hosting several special events in conjunction with the 2012 AMIA Annual Symposium in Chicago, Illinois this November. The NIWG special event will be held on Sunday, November 4 and will include presentations from the NIWG leadership team on strategic directions, policy and other working group projects. In addition to this special event, there are dozens of other tutorials, sessions, posters and networking events focused on nursing informatics.

**Current Interests:** AMIA will also continue to co-manage the Alliance for Nursing Informatics with HIMSS. ANI represents thousands of nurses and brings together 30 nursing informatics groups that function separately at local, regional, national and international levels. In September, a national call to action was sent by ANI and ANA to nurses encouraging them to ask for a copy of their own electronic health record with the launch of a national Ask for Your eHealth Records Week campaign. In support of ONC's Consumer e-Health Program, ANI is working with ONC to engage the nation's nurses to help patients get more involved in their health and health care by asking them to be more involved patients themselves. For more information on AMIA or ANI, visit our web sites at [www.amia.org](http://www.amia.org) or [www.allianceni.org](http://www.allianceni.org).

## **American Nephrology Nurses' Association**

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**President:** Glenda Payne, MS, RN, CNN

**President Elect:** Norma Gomez, MSN, MBA, RN, CNN

**Executive Director:** Michael Cunningham

### **Past Year's Progress:**

- Conducted successful education programs for members.
- Published the 7th Edition of Nephrology Nursing Scope of Practice and Standards of Care as an eBook.
- Launched a redesigned Web site, [www.annanurse.org](http://www.annanurse.org).
- Collaborated with the nephrology community to help shape health care reform for the benefit of our patient population.
- Coordinated outreach programs designed to educate legislators about kidney disease.
- Celebrated Nephrology Nurses Week in September.
- Expanded its Specialty Practice Networks and online networking services to broaden participation opportunities for our members working in various modalities of treatment.
- Awarded more than \$100,000 in Scholarships, Awards and Grants to members.

### **New Year's Focus:**

- Revise ANNA's governance structure from a partially regionally-elected Board of Directors (BOD) to a nationally-elected competency-based BOD.
- Develop resources for Evidence Based-Practice.
- Expand online CE opportunities and services.
- Explore new ways to collaborate with dialysis providers to address their needs and increase the involvement of their employees within the association.
- Focus on recruitment and retention of nephrology nurses within the specialty and within the association.
- Participate in coalitions within the nephrology and nursing communities.
- Advocate for nephrology nursing within the health policy arena.
- Develop and mentor current and new leaders within the organization.
- Help shape Quality Improvement Programs (QIP) for hospital-based and freestanding facilities that provide renal dialysis services to Medicare beneficiaries.
- Revise ANNA's Strategic Plan to focus on changes needed to meet the needs of nephrology nurses in 2013 and beyond.

### **Current Interests:**

- Leadership development and creative ways to increase volunteer participation, motivate volunteers; and ensure leadership succession
- Electronic publishing opportunities and challenges
- Effective use of social media and other technologies
- Membership development and trends in these challenging times

**American Nurses Association**  
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**President Elect:** Cindy Balkstra, MS, RN, CNS-BC  
**Executive Director:** Marla J. Weston, PhD, RN

**Past Year's Progress:** ANA continues its mission to advance the nursing profession and improve the health of all. Significant achievements in the past year include:

- Engaged with federal agencies and their rule-making efforts that impact the full continuum of registered nurse services.
- Partnered with the American Organization of Nurse Executives to develop the Principles of Collaborative Relationships.
- Engaged in a significant education campaign regarding the Affordable Care Act during the Supreme Court oral argument and final ruling on the constitutionality of the law.
- Endorsed 47 nurse leaders for positions on over 30 councils, committees, working groups, and technical expert panels across the quality continuum.
- Enhanced the reporting capabilities of the 1900 hospitals participating in NDNQI through eMeasure development in the area of pressure ulcers and falls, informed by nurse leaders in quality and informatics.
- Introduced the Navigate Nursing webinar series with topics ranging from use of social media to bullying and safe staffing.
- Introduced the 3rd edition of Teaching IOM with a new student supplement; the Essential Guide to Nursing Practice a valuable resource for understanding and applying nursing's foundational texts; Bullying in the Workplace and the revised Principles for Nurse Staffing.
- Launched ANA's Leadership Institute with a series of webinars designed for nurses who want to embrace their personal leadership, unlock creativity, and increase their influence.

**New Year's Focus:** ANA will continue to enhance its programmatic work focusing on the eight pillars of Quality of Care; Leadership; Safe Staffing; Practice Innovation and Health Care Transformation; Work Environment; Cornerstone Documents; Scope of Practice; and Healthy Nurses. Further, ANA will continue its focus on translating its unique policy work into products and services nurses can use. ANA will continue to engage the nursing community in NQF's work including engagement in the Partnership for Patients and other key campaigns (e.g., Strong Start) and give input on the Measure Application Partnership's Families of Measures, Core Measure Sets, and draft reports to HHS pre-rulemaking. ANA will continue to create a variety of educational and advocacy activities to enhance the leadership capacity of nurses to advance health and lead change. ANA is planning the third Tipping Point Summit for late fall to inform the development of accurate electronic quality metrics for use in hospitals and other care. ANA continues to collaborate with the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) in its Consumer Campaign Pledge to improve access to personal health records (PHRs) and in the ONC's App Challenges focused on the development of handheld computer applications for nurses to use at the bedside to improve care.

**Current Interests:**

- Development of multidisciplinary safe patient handling national standards
- Continue focusing on care coordination and delivery models for health services
- Third Party Payment for APRN services
- Updating the dialogue related to appropriate nurse staffing
- The National Quality Enterprise, improvements in health care quality, and developing a powerful voice for nursing in its quest for better care, healthier communities, and lower cost.
- Building and enhancing the leadership capabilities of nurses.

**American Organization of Nurse Executives (AONE)**

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**President:** Laura Caramanica, RN, PhD, CENP, FACHE

**President Elect:** Michelle Janney, PhD, RN, NEA-BC

**Executive Director:** Pamela A. Thompson, MS, RN, CENP, FAAN

**Past Year's Progress:** The primary mission of AONE is to shape health care through innovative and expert nursing leadership. We accomplish that work throughout the 8,600 national and international members and volunteers who serve in governance roles and on committees and task forces. This spring, AONE hosted over 3,000 nurse leaders and industry supporters during the 45th Annual Meeting and Exposition in Boston, MA. Educational tracks included: clinical excellence and quality; future of nursing practice; courageous and strategic leadership; innovation technology for practice; and communication and relationship strategies. AONE is focused on the development of nurse leaders at every stage of their career. At the cornerstone of our educational programs are the AONE Nurse Executive Competencies. As a part of these competencies, we believe that nurse leaders need to be competent in informatics. In 2012, AONE released the Nursing Informatics Executive Leader Position Statement. This statement supports that if there is a chief nursing informatics officer (CNIO) in an organization, this person must have a reporting relationship with both informatics and nurse executive areas. One charge of the AONE technology committee is to foster the development of collaborative relationships and initiatives with other organizations. Joining ANI in 2013 has helped us achieve that charge and we look forward to the opportunity to gather knowledge, share information and co-create resources to assist nurses and other health professional use informatics more widely.

**New Year's Focus:** The AONE 2013-2015 strategic plan is focused on the following goals: develop innovation as a core competency for all nurse leaders; advance community-based teams across the care continuum; support the provision of safe, quality care in delivery systems grounded in healthful practice environments; communicate the value of nursing in health care to all stakeholders, and optimize the operational effectiveness of AONE. AONE is working to advance informatics and innovation in health care through the various charges of our technology committee. While many institutions have added CIO and CMIO roles to their leadership teams, few have added CNIO positions. It is imperative that nursing has a voice in informatics not only because they are the largest health care professional group, but also because they are the providers who work closest to and spend the most time with patients. AONE promotes full partnership on the following two recommendations. First, nurses should be full partners in informatics not just in the selection process but in the design and evaluation of products. Secondly, it is critical to use the systems knowledge that nursing informatics leaders have to make recommendations about the practice environment to ultimately result in the delivery of safe, quality care.

**Current Interests:** AONE serves its members by providing vision and support for nursing leadership including:

- meeting the health care needs of society;
- influencing legislation and public policy related to nursing and patient care issues;
- offering member services that support and enhance the management, leadership, educational and professional development of nursing leaders;
- facilitating and supporting nursing research and development efforts that advance nursing administration practice and quality patient care.

Additional topics and areas of interest include:

- adoption of innovative best practices and care delivery models;
- community-based inter-professional delivery models which support the full continuum of care;
- consensus between nurses and physicians on inter-collaboration;
- removing scope-of practice barriers to allow nurses to practice to the full extent of their education and training;
- partnering with other key organizations to create improved synergies between members of the C-suite and increase awareness of the critical role of nursing;
- collaborate internationally to promote mutual learning and strengthen the worldwide voice of nursing leadership

**American Pediatric Surgical Nurses Association (APSNA)**

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Deerfield, IL 60015

**President:** Ellen A. O' Donnell RN, MSN, CPNP-PC

**President Elect:** Neil Ead MSN, CPNP

**Past Year's Progress:**

- 580 + membership- and growing
- Attendance at NALA,NOA,IPN meetings very important to our organization. We have established relationships with other organizations that have lead to partnering efforts. It has helped with leadership development of our current and future leaders. We love these meetings!!
- APSNA received an invitation to join Senior Obama Administration officials for a discussion on the Affordable Health Care Act.
- We look forward to our SECOND JOINT Session with APSA( American Pediatric Surgical Association)our physican colleagues on Bowel Management at our 22nd annual conference to be held on Marco Island HOLD THE DATE: 22nd APSNA Scientific Meeting will be Monday April 29 to Thursday May 2 2013. Check our web site for more details- [www.apsna.org](http://www.apsna.org)

**New Year's Focus:**

- Leadership development
- Mentoring Continued partnering efforts
- On-going process to evaluate need for support of a management company for our all volunteer board

**Current Interests:**

- Partnering with other organizations to consider
  - a. Speaker exchange
  - b. other opportunities

**American Psychiatric Nurses Association**

3141 Fairview Park Drive, Suite 625

Falls Church, VA 22042

**President:** Marlene Nadler-Moodie, MSN, APRN, PMHCNS-BC

**President Elect:** Beth Phoenix, RN, PhD

**Executive Director:** Nicholas Croce, Jr, MS

**Past Year's Progress:** Over the past year, APNA has continued to see a growth in membership numbers and strengthened participation in the association's committees. APNA has remained an advocate for recovery through our continuing education and web resources. We have continued in our commitment to military service members, veterans, and their families via the Joining Forces campaign. The APNA website's section on Military & PTSD Resources was created in 2010 and is constantly updated. This June at our 10th Annual Clinical Psychopharmacology Institute, the session Military Mission, Culture, and Psychopharm Considerations was a huge success. APNA continues to advance our scientific and educational agenda through online continuing education and communications efforts. The APNA eLearning Center was launched in March 2011 and has seen rapid growth since, with now 161 sessions available for CE. In 2012, the Center has seen 44.81% more visits and 54.65% more page views than it did in 2011. Our 25th Anniversary celebration in October 2011 was a great success, with the largest number of registered attendees the conference has ever had. The upcoming 26th Annual Conference in Pittsburgh this November will enable attendees to earn up to 28.5 CNE contact hours in addition to participating in networking events and activities. Our website is a resource for both members and nonmembers. In 2012, visitors to the website increased 24.8% over the same time period in 2011, page views + 7.39%, and unique visitors + 29.4

**New Year's Focus:** For the next year, APNA's focus will be on serving our members through continued timely and relevant communication, excellent and pertinent live and online continuing education, and easy-to-access forums for active and engaging dialogue between psychiatric mental health nurses. We will focus on the expansion of our continuing education efforts, particularly in the area of psychopharmacology. This expansion will include the gathering of data to be used in assessing the quality of outcomes for our education programs. Additionally, we will work toward the development of an education program for psychotherapy, meeting the spoken needs of our members.

**Current Interests:** APNA will continue to move the Consensus Model for APRN Regulation forward through implementation, recognizing that all currently certified psychiatric mental health nurses are a viable part of the workforce. We will support efforts to eliminate barriers to nurses working to their full training and scope of practice. Additionally, we recognize the need to expand the mental health nursing workforce and address the reducing number of faculty in psychiatric mental health nursing.

**American Society for Pain Management Nursing (ASPMN)**

PO Box 15473

Lenexa, KS 66285

**President:** Joyce Willens, PhD, RN-BC

**President Elect:** Patricia M. Bruckenthal, PhD, RN, ANP

**Executive Director:** JerrieLynn Kind

**Past Year's Progress:** ASPMN completed a new five-year strategic plan and co-hosted a very successful joint conference with the International Nurses Society on Addictions (IntNSA) in September 2011.

**New Year's Focus:** ASPMN will be moving forward with the re-structuring of our chapter program and continuing to offer first class education to our nursing members.

**American Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses**

90 Frontage Road  
Cherry Hill, NJ 08034

**President:** Susan Carter BSN, RN, CPAN, CAPA  
**President Elect:** Twila Shrout BSN, MBA, RN, CPAN, CAPA  
**Executive Director:** Kevin Dill

**Past Year's Progress:** Increased membership; approval of a practice recommendation (PR) on obstructive sleep apnea; obtained organizational membership in JBI; completion of on line/on demand educational modules for the web site

**New Year's Focus:** Revision of our pain and comfort guideline with a focus on separate PRs for unwanted sedation and pain; increase the number of on line educational modules, update content in our face-to-face seminars and develop new material for new offerings; succession planning and Component revitalization

**Current Interests:** Impending nursing shortage and the aging work force; recruitment and orientation of new grads; recruitment of volunteers and assuring their active participation; positioning the organization as the "go to" place for all things related to our speciality practice; collegial collaboration with other organizations that share practice aspects.

**American Society of Plastic Surgical Nurses**

500 Cummings Center, Suite 4550  
Beverly, MA 01915

**President:** Sue Kunz, BS, RN, CPSN  
**President Elect:** Marcia Spear, DNP, ACNP-BC, CWS, CPSN  
**Executive Director:** Lindsay De Santis

**Past Year's Progress:** Over the last several years ASPSN has experienced a decline in membership. The Society has been fortunate to experience an over 15% growth from the summer of 2011 through the summer of 2012. The Society has completed two educational initiatives this year. The first ASPSN produced webinar was launched for CE credit in March. "Differentiating Neurotoxins in Facial Aesthetics" is available on the the ASPSN Website. The Plastic Surgical Nursing DVD Review Course was also released in January to accommodate the needs of those nurses who will take the CPSN exam but are unable to travel.

**New Year's Focus:** ASPSN will continue to focus on building member value through greater chapter and regional development, educational offerings, as well as research initiatives.

**Current Interests:**

- Research Collaboration
- Position Statements
- Member Value
- Chapter Development
- Engagement
- Importance of Certification

**Association for Radiologic & Imaging Nursing (ARIN)**

7794 Grow Drive  
Pensacola, FL 32514

**President:** Christy E. Lee, MSN, APRN-BC, CRN

**President Elect:** Beth Ann Hackett, MSN, APRN-BC, CRN

**Executive Director:** Karen L. Green, MHA, BSN, RN, CRN

**Past Year's Progress:** The Association for Radiologic & Imaging Nursing (ARIN) has had a busy and productive year:

- ARIN hired Karen Green, MHA, BSN, RN, CRN, as its Executive Director
- Initiated ongoing discussion of revamping the function and structure of ARIN governance based on Race for Relevance: 5 Radical Changes for Associations
- Conducted two national educational meetings- Annual Convention and Fall Symposium
- Conducted 4 webinars for nurses working in the imaging arena to obtain specialty related continuing education credit
- Conducted the ARIN Imaging Nurse Review Course at both national ARIN educational meetings and at 1 contracted site
- Supported the work of the Radiologic Nursing Certification Board in its efforts to have the Certified Radiology Nurse a national certification
- Revised the Radiologic & Imaging Nursing: Scope and Standards
- Continued the revision process for the third edition of the Core Curriculum for Radiologic & Imaging Nursing with a deadline for early 2013
- ARIN increased the number of pages in the Journal of Radiology Nursing
- After some unforeseen delays the Joint Practice Guideline for Sterile Technique During Vascular and Interventional Radiology Procedures, will be co-published in the Journal of Radiology Nursing in December 2012. This was a collaborative project between the ARIN, the Society of Interventional Radiology, and the Association of periOperative Registered Nurses.
- ARIN chartered one new Chapter for a total of 19 active chapters.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Increase membership at the national and local level
- Review and enhance member benefits
- Conduct our 32st Annual Convention in New Orleans, LA, April 14-17, 2013.
- Conduct our 7th Fall Symposium, location TBD
- Market ARIN webinars to healthcare personnel working in the imaging environment
- Market our Imaging Nurse Review Course to chapters and institutions
- Finalize the revisions to the ARIN Core Curriculum, and Radiologic & Imaging Nursing: Scope & Standards
- Review and update strategic plan
- Explore collaboration with other organizations with similar interests in improving the standard of care in the imaging department

**Current Interests:**

- Online Educational Opportunities
- Support for existing chapters and promotion of new chapters
- Promoting certification
- Collaborate with other organizations with similar interests in improving the standard of care in the imaging department



**Association of Nurses in AIDS Care**

3538 Ridgewood Road

Akron, OH 44333

**President:** Robert Carroll, RN, ACRN

**President Elect:** Suzanne Willard, PhD, CRNP, FAAN

**Executive Director:** Kimberly Carbaugh

**Past Year's Progress:** In 2012, ANAC President Robert Carroll began his two-year term and kicked off ANAC's 25th Anniversary year. ANAC will mark and celebrate our 25 years at our National Conference in November of 2012. In addition, ANAC was pleased to represent global HIV nursing at the International AIDS Conference. At this historic Conference, which was hosted in the United States for the first time in 20 years, ANAC released a Call to Action demanding attention to and recognition of global nursing's central role in prevention, treatment and care of people with HIV/AIDS around the world.

**New Year's Focus:** ANAC plans to focus on strategically identifying opportunities for coalition building around common goals. Membership recruitment and retention will remain tantamount, and responding to the expanding needs of nurses working in HIV and HIV-related care will remain our programmatic priority. Policy issues of highest relevance to ANAC will be monitoring the developments and implementation of ACA, Medicaid expansion, HIV and criminalization, PEPFAR and Ryan White legislation reauthorization.

**Current Interests:**

- HIV/AIDS
- Hepatitis C mono and co-infection
- Hepatitis B
- Mental health & substance use
- Health disparities
- Vulnerable populations
- Syringe access and needle exchange
- Harm reduction NP
- Prescriptive Authority
- Sexually transmitted infections
- Sexual health
- LGBT issues and rights

**Association of Nursing Professional Development**

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Chicago, IL 60611

**President:** Kathleen M Dunn-Cane, MS, RN-BC

**President Elect:** Mary G Harper, PhD, RN-BC

**Executive Director:** Kaye Englebrecht, CAE

**Past Year's Progress:** The Association of Nursing Professional Development has had a very eventful year. You may know our organization by our old name the National Nursing Staff Development Organization. As we entered into our 23rd year, we took an opportunity to evaluate the NNSDO brand identity. We have updated our association brand with a fresh name and new look. We feel that our new name, the Association of Nursing Professional Development, ANPD, and our new look, (please go to ANPD.org to see our new logo and design) better reflects our purpose, which is to foster the art and science of nursing professional development. We also re-branded our annual conference and beginning in 2013 our Annual Conference will be known as the ANPD Aspire Annual Conference. ANPD's Aspire Conference will be held on July 17-20, 2013 in Dallas, Texas. In 2012 we moved to a new management company - our new management partner is SmithBucklin and our new headquarters location is now in Chicago, Illinois.

**New Year's Focus:** ANPD's focus in 2013 is to continue to enhance the value of membership. We are creating a new webinar series that will launch in the Spring of 2013. The series will include 10 new webinars that focus on nursing professional development practice issues. These webinars will be available to members and non-members and pricing will be discounted for ANPD members. We will be enhancing our annual Aspire conference by adding additional programming and educational opportunities for extra nursing contact hours. We will be video recording many of our Aspire sessions and adding these programs to our online educational offerings. We will be completing the 4th edition of the Core Curriculum for Staff Development in early Spring 2013 and it will be available for purchase to members and non-members. ANPD will be evaluating the committee structure of our organization and will also be assessing the return on investment of many of our products and services.

**Association of periOperative Registered Nurses**

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Denver, CO 80231

**President:** Deborah Spratt MPA BSN RN CNOR NEA-BC CRCST, CHL

**President Elect:** Rosemarie Schroeder BSN, RN CNOR

**Executive Director:** Linda Groah MSN RN CNOR NEA-BC FAAN

**Past Year's Progress:** Revision and update has been completed to AORN's SYNTEGRITY (Standardized Perioperative Framework). This is a relational database that overlays existing perioperative nursing documentation utilizing Perioperative Nursing Data Set (PNDS) and standardized data elements that guide patient-centric care. AORN created a process for rating and ranking the evidence used to develop AORN's Recommended Practices. Sterilization is the first Recommended Practice completed using the new rating and ranking system. The RP was submitted to the National Guideline Clearing House and accepted for inclusion in the database. Congress 2012 was in New Orleans in March with attendance for professionals at 5,555 and industry partners at 4,664. We launched a two-day virtual congress on May 2 & 3 with some of the speakers being available for discussion after the educational sessions. The virtual congress is available for the remainder of the year on our web site. This year AORN launched a new membership division focused on meeting the needs of the perioperative nurse executive. We held networking sessions in 10 cities across the United States in the spring and are returning to host sessions in the fall of 2012. Topics of interest as identified in focus groups and surveys include: business/finance, health care reform, talent management, culture of safety, construction, greening of the OR and emotional intelligence.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Focus for 2013 developing marketing plans for new product line for Ambulatory Surgery
- Continue focus on revising Recommended Practices with evidence-based focus and submitting to National Guideline Clearing House.
- Leadership development for three levels of perioperative managers.

**Current Interests:**

- Health care reform and impact on perioperative practice.
- Culture of Safety
- Evidence-based practice

**Association of Rehabilitation Nurses**

4700 W. Lake Avenue

Glenview, IL 60402

**President:** Michelle Camica, MSN RN CRRN

**President Elect:** Kristin Mauk, PhD DNP RN GCNS CRRN

**Executive Director:** Karen Nason, CAE

**Past Year's Progress:** ARN had very successful conferences in November 2011 in Las Vegas, NV and in October 2012 in Nashville, TN. The 6th edition of the Specialty Practice of Rehabilitation Nursing was published in late 2011. ARN published an article on preventing readmissions and distributed it to our nursing colleagues. Our newly updated logo and redesigned web site now reflect ARN's vibrant, caring culture and image. Finally, our Board of Directors went to Capitol Hill in April to advocate on behalf of rehabilitation nurses nationwide.

**New Year's Focus:** Continue to improve and refine our programs and services. We also plan to update our strategic plan in January which will provide us with a sound roadmap for the next several years.

**Current Interests:**

- Integrating rehabilitation nursing concepts into nursing education and all areas of nursing practice.
- Rehabilitation of our nation's wounded military personnel.
- Support research related to rehabilitation nursing staffing and outcomes.

**Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses (AWHONN)**

2000 L Street NW, Suite 740

Washington, DC 20036

**President:** Rose Horton, MSM, RNC

**President Elect:** Mimi Pomerleau, DNP, MSN, RNC-OB

**Executive Director:** Karen Peddicord, PhD, RN

**Past Year's Progress:**

- In 2012, AWHONN published several important clinical resources and position statements. They are: Obstetric Hemorrhage; Nursing Care of the Woman Receiving Regional Analgesia/Anesthesia; Emergency Contraception; and Assessment and Care of the Late Preterm Infant Implementation Toolkit (expected fall 2012). AWHONN has also hosted a number of educational webinars. The complete library of webinars can be found online at: [http://www.awhonn.org/awhonn/content.do?name=04\\_ConsultingTraining/4F\\_RecordedWebinars.htm](http://www.awhonn.org/awhonn/content.do?name=04_ConsultingTraining/4F_RecordedWebinars.htm)
- AWHONN launched its Go the Full 40 campaign in the winter 2012 issue of its consumer magazine Healthy Mom&Baby. This educational campaign is designed to help women understand the many reasons it is important for a mom to carry her baby to term. Campaign materials are available in English and Spanish on the campaign website ([www.GoTheFull40.com](http://www.GoTheFull40.com)), on Healthy Mom&Baby's iPad app, and via CMS Strong Start Initiative website (<http://innovations.cms.gov/initiatives/Strong-Start/What-Patients-and-Community-based-Organizations-Can-Do-to-Help.html>).
- In June 2012, AWHONN hosted its annual Convention at the National Harbor outside of Washington, DC. The Convention attracted over 3,000 attendees and offered 36 contact hours of Continuing Nursing Education.

**New Year's Focus:**

- In late September 2012, AWHONN will host a meeting of its section and chapter leaders in Washington, DC. As part of the meeting, the group will visit with their Members of Congress and staff aides to advocate for The PREEMIE Reauthorization Act.
- AWHONN launched its Late Preterm Infant Initiative in 2005 to help raise awareness of the special needs of this population of vulnerable newborns. We have progressed from raising awareness, to the development of educational resources, and are now in the third phase of this project, evaluating change in nursing practice related to caring for these babies. We have begun to disseminate the results of our research through JOGNN and will continue to do so into 2013.
- AWHONN will host its 2013 annual Convention in Nashville, TN. In 2010, AWHONN was scheduled to have its Convention in Nashville, but had to change the dates and location of the meeting due to the Opryland flood that occurred in June of that year.
- AWHONN will continue the Data Collaborative for Perinatal Staffing. Hospital organizations are invited to submit perinatal staffing data related to the AWHONN perinatal staffing guideline for comparison to other organizations in the collaborative.

**Current Interests:**

- Preterm Birth
- Nurse Staffing
- Breastfeeding
- Preconception and Interconception Care
- Nursing Research
- Maternal Mortality and Morbidity
- Quality Measurement
- Fetal Heart Monitoring

**CGFNS International**  
3600 Market St., Suite 400  
Philadelphia, PA 19104

**President:** Carol Bradley, MSN, RN

**President Elect:**

**Executive Director:** Franklin A. Shaffer, EdD, RN, FAAN

**Past Year's Progress:** CGFNS International is celebrating its 35th anniversary and continues its pivotal role as a resource for certification, verification, evaluation, and examination of healthcare professionals worldwide. We continue to conduct and expand our business in the global arena. We have built an Educational Network with 95 schools of nursing in the People's Republic of China and launched an intake office with China Health Human Resources Management Center. CGFNS International became the largest credentials evaluation organization for nursing in North America when CGFNS International was awarded a 7-year contract with the National Nursing Assessment Service (NNAS) of Canada. Working with the regulatory bodies will develop and implement an online credential evaluation service to conduct credentials evaluation of the internationally-educated nurses opting to practice in Canada. In 2012, CGFNS International published Perspectives on Credential Evaluation: Future Trends and Regulatory Implications in the Journal of Nursing Regulation. In addition, CGFNS International presented two abstracts at the XIII Pan American Nursing Research Colloquium. Dr. Franklin A. Shaffer, CEO is serving on a Blue Panel of experts to create the standards criteria for mobile health apps for Happtique. As a result, CGFNS International has established an international user acceptance testing program whereby team of professionals will review new e-health apps for mobile devices for their clinical utility, accuracy and patient usability.

**New Year's Focus:** Expanding the CGFNS International Corporate University and Adele Herwitz fund, along with several new global assessment and research initiatives, including participation in the International Council of Nurses 25th Quadrennial Congress in Melbourne, Australia.

**Current Interests:** CGFNS International joined other national nursing organizations in the campaign called Joining Forces to improve care of our veterans by training nurses to have a better understanding of the healthcare needs of veterans and their families.

## **Emergency Nurses Association**

915 Lee Street  
Des Plaines, IL 60016

**President:** Gail P Lenehan EdD, MSN, RN, FAEN, FAAN

**President Elect:** JoAnn Lazarus MSN, RN, CEN

**Executive Director:** Susan M Hohenhaus LPD, RN, CEN, FAEN

**Past Year's Progress:** ENA was recognized as a Specialty by the American Nurses Association in late 2011, publishing the First Edition of ENA's Scope and Standards of Emergency Nursing Practice. Our membership now exceeds 40,000 and is growing. ENA's Lantern Award, a recognition award given to emergency departments that exemplify exceptional practice and innovative performance in the core areas of leadership, practice, education, advocacy and research, has been presented to 8 emergency departments. The award is a visible symbol of an emergency department's commitment to quality, presence of a healthy work environment and accomplishment in incorporating evidence-based practice and innovation into emergency care. A Workplace Violence Summit was held in Chicago on June 22, 2012. The purpose of the summit is to bring together a multidisciplinary team of experts to stimulate collaboration in mitigating violence in the emergency department setting. ENA has published nine new Position Statements, including one which focuses on the need to weigh pediatric patients only in kilograms. ENA also released four new Emergency Nursing Resources (ENRs): o Difficult Intravenous Access o Non-invasive Temperature Measurement in the Emergency Department o Orthostatic Vital Signs o Wound Preparation

**New Year's Focus:** A key focus area for ENA is wellness of Emergency Nurses, both personal and professional. ENA will deploy a workplace injury toolkit, focusing on safe patient handling, and provide career wellness counseling at its live conferences and virtually. ENA continues its study of workplace violence in the emergency department. The ENA Violence prevention toolkit is located on ENA's website and can be accessed for free. ENA's 2012-2014 Strategic Plan focuses on the development and maintenance of partnerships. As the professionals who provide the first touch of care in the nation's healthcare safety net, emergency nurses interact with almost every other specialty in the healthcare system. The Emergency Nurses Association thanks the Nursing Organizational Alliance members for their support, camaraderie and partnership.

### **Current Interests:**

- Healthcare Workplace Violence
- Emergency Nurse Personal and Career Wellness
- Emergency Nurse Grassroots Advocacy
- Emergency Nurse Leadership Development

## **Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association**

One Penn Center West, Suite 229

Pittsburgh, PA 15276-0100

**President:** JoAnne Reifsnnyder, PhD, ACHPN

**President Elect:** Barbara Head, PhD, CHON, ACSW, FPCN

**Executive Director:** Sally Welsh, MSN, RN, NEA-BC

**Past Year's Progress:** During 2012 the Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association (HPNA) has utilized both the IOM-Future of Nursing Report and the principles of the Race for Relevance book to assess membership value, organizational effectiveness and to identify specific board competencies. The results of these initiatives are being incorporated in strategic planning for 2013. In July of 2012, the Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association in conjunction with the Hospice and Palliative Nurses Foundation held our inaugural Palliative Nursing Leadership Institute. The goal of the Institute is to develop nursing leaders who will embrace, utilize, and integrate palliative care concepts into professional nursing practice throughout the healthcare system. On July 20, 2012, HPNA held a Congressional Briefing on Hospice and Palliative Care and Patient Choice. This event was supported by Lois Capps, Chairman of the Nursing Caucus. HPNA continued to provide develop and provide educational products and services for our members. HPNA now has 51 chapters and 30 provisional groups nationwide. HPNA served as administrative home for the National Consensus Project for Palliative Care and the National Coalition for Hospice and Palliative Care. HPNA continued to actively participate in numerous professional advocacy groups and coalitions.

**New Year's Focus:** During 2013 HPNA will continue to implement strategies based on the evaluations conducted in 2012. The organization will continue to focus on programs and services to develop and enhance leadership skills in our members and to enhance the quality of palliative care available to patients and their families. HPNA will continue to expand educational products and services available to our members. In 2013, HPNA will be assessing our technology platform and will develop an Information Technology Plan to support the mission of the organization and to enhance member value.

### **Current Interests:**

- Palliative care nursing leadership
- Nursing Continuing Competence
- Interdisciplinary care delivery
- Advocacy for access to quality palliative care and for the role of nurses in palliative care
- Palliative care research
- Educational curriculum for palliative care

**Infusion Nurses Society**

315 Norwood Park South

Norwood, MA 02062

**President:** Kathy Puglise, MSN/ED, RN, CRNI

**President Elect:** Britt Meyer, RN, CRNI, VA-BC

**Executive Director:** Mary Alexander, MA, RN, CRNI, CAE, FAAN

**Past Year's Progress:** INS has enjoyed several milestones this past year. We further expanded our online Knowledge Center by creating additional infusion related content and enhancing our Clinical Nursing Forum section. We continued to develop and offer educational programs and resources. Our membership continues to increase and our brand and standing within the infusion nursing and healthcare community is both recognized and celebrated.

**New Year's Focus:** Development of new educational resources and revisions of existing educational resources. Creation of member-only content for our online Knowledge Center. Development of a Leadership Symposium and Celebration of our 40th anniversary as an organization.

**Current Interests:**

- Identifying qualified candidates for leadership positions
- Safe injection practices
- Alarm fatigue
- Tubing misconnections
- medication delivery
- patient safety issues



## **International Association of Forensic Nurses**

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Elkrdige, MD 21075

**President:** Jenifer Markowitz  
**President Elect:** Polly Campbell  
**Executive Director:** Carey Goryl

**Past Year's Progress:** IAFN increased our national visibility and impact by hiring a Washington, DC -based lobbying firm and IAFN created its first legislative agenda. During the week of November 7-11, 2011 we celebrated Forensic Nurses Week with the theme: Forensic Nursing, Taking the Next Step, Violence Prevention. IAFN promoted the profession of forensic nursing through a 15 second video that played on large screens in Times Square in New York City. Newly revised SANE-A and SANE-P exams were offered twice (in May and October of 2011) . Overall, more than 1400 nurses currently hold SANE certification. IAFN offered the opportunity to earn 32 Nursing CEs through education events including a Photography Symposium, the 19th Annual Scientific Assembly, and Online Webinars. IAFN launched the SAFE Web-Based Training Project, funded by the US Department of Justice, National Institute for Justice. Through this project, a 15 week, intensive online didactic SAFE curriculum was created. IAFN continued to provide education and technical assistance about the National Protocol for Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examinations of Adults and Adolescents, funded by the US Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women. In 2011, the project provided 12 trainings to over 2,400 people and exhibited at 6 conferences. IAFN continued to collaborate with the Southwest Center for Law and Policy on SAFESTAR project to develop and pilot a sexual assault forensic evidence curriculum for tribal communities.

**New Year's Focus:** IAFN remains focused on supporting federal advocacy on bills that support the role of the forensic nurse in healthcare and in forensic science. Through a partnership with the ANCC, IAFN has assisted them in the development of the first Board Credential through a Portfolio method. The Advanced Forensic Nurse Board Credential will open for applications in November 2012. IAFN is currently sending two forensic nurses to Swaziland to mentor health care workers on post rape care and the provision of HIV prophylaxis. Focused on meeting the deliverables of our federal grants that are all focused on education, resources and sustainability of sexual assault forensic programs in the US. Ongoing governance training with the Board of Directors and key committees. Delivering online education both live and self directed on topics of sexual assault, HIV, ethical communication, online stalking, suicide, interpersonal violence, child abuse, and elder abuse. We are hoping to continue to grow strategic partnerships in nursing, anti-violence advocacy and federal partners. We continue to work on developing the Forensic Nurse Core Curriculum and will once again need to review and update the Forensic Nurse Scope and Standards of Practice.

### **Current Interests:**

- Violence
- HIV
- International AID work
- Forensics
- Core Curriculum
- Certification program accreditation
- Seeking grants through federal health related agencies

**National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists**

100 N 20th Street, 4th floor  
Philadelphia, PA 19103

**President:** Rachel Moody, MSN, RN, CNS (2012-2013 president)

**President Elect:** Carol Manchester, MSN, ACNS, BC-ADM, CDE

**Executive Director:** Melinda Ray, MSN, RN

**Past Year's Progress:** NACNS continues to implement the activities outlined by the mission and strategic goals. NACNS is engaged in the development of Women's Health and Family Across the Lifespan CNS Competencies. NACNS continues to accept endorsement of the Criteria for the Evaluation of Clinical Nurse Specialist Master's, Practice Doctorate, and Post-Graduate Certificate Educational Programs.

**New Year's Focus:** NACNS will continue to grow the membership and focus on the issues related to the implementation of the CNS Consensus Model for APRN Practice. Enhancements in public affairs efforts will be pursued.

**Current Interests:** Enhanced member services; optimal member involvement in organizational decisions; APRN Consensus Model; development of portfolio in lieu of examination for certification of CNSs.

**National Association of Neonatal Nurses**

4700 W. Lake Ave.  
Glenview, IL 60025

**President:** Cheryl Carlson, PhD APRN NNP-BC

**President Elect:**

**Executive Director:** Dionne S. Wilson, CAE

**Past Year's Progress:** NANN Research Institute was formed to support NANN members and the neonatal community at large by providing greater access to and assistance in developing and advancing nurses' knowledge and skills, regardless of level of education or experience and research training. The creation of a research agenda, programming and dissemination, mentoring, and grants program are all a part of the Research Institute. NANN published two position statements: "The Impact of Advanced Practice Nurses' Shift Length and Fatigue on Patient Safety" and the "Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Workforce Position Statement." The fatigue statement recommends that shift length be limited and further recommends that NNPs, their employers, and institutions collaborate to implement supportive risk-reduction strategies based on existing evidence. The NNP workforce statement defines the contribution of the NNP as an APRN in the neonatal workforce environment and proposes a framework and factors for consideration in assessing workload. New products and publications:

- Essentials in Neonatal Nursing: Orientation Lecture Series
- Neonatal Intensive Care Nursing Certification Review Course
- Newborn Pain Assessment and Management
- Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Workforce Survey Report
- Precepting the Advanced Practice Nurse: From Expert RN to Novice NNP

**New Year's Focus:** NANN will be discussing the principles in the book "Race for Relevance" and continuing their work in integrating the Four Disciplines of Execution into the existing strategic work plan. The Four Disciplines of Execution by Franklin Covey helps organizations to identify a wildly important goal (WIG) that, if not accomplished, would render all other accomplishments inconsequential. It also provides a practical process to: - know what the wildly important goals are - how to achieve them - how to track success - how to be accountable for results. The National Association of Neonatal Nurse Practitioners, a division of NANN, will be revising the "Orientation and Competencies Toolkit for Neonatal Nurse Practitioners" due to changes in NNP competencies. This toolkit covers the NNP's skills--from novice to expert--using competencies as the basis of measurement or performance evaluations. The organization will continue to focus on growing its membership, especially early and mid career nurses. Finally, NANN's Health Policy and Advocacy Committee has set its 2013 advocacy priorities, which will include the following:

- APRN Consensus Model
- nursing workforce development
- universal congenital heart disease screening
- drug shortage/safe drugs for neonates
- safe chemicals
- breastfeeding/use of human milk
- prematurity

**Current Interests:**

- Changes in educational requirements for practice (both BSN and DNP)
- Continuing competency through self-assessment by our certification organization
- Pursuing certification
- Scope and standards of practice
- Dealing with institutional changes in a rapidly changing healthcare environment
- Precepting new advanced practice nurses
- Leadership education and mentoring

**National Association of Orthopaedic Nurses**

401 North Michigan Avenue #1900

Chicago, IL 60611

**President:** Christy Oakes, MSN, RN, ONC

**President Elect:** Pamela A. Cupec, RN, MS, ONC, CRRN, ACM

**Executive Director:** Kaye Englebrecht, CAE

**Past Year's Progress:** The mission of the National Association of Orthopaedic Nurses is to advance the specialty or orthopaedic nursing through excellence in research, education and nursing practice. NAON celebrated our 32nd year of incorporation this year. NAON's focus in 2012 was to increase our membership. We created a number of new programs that focused on membership growth, including the new NAON Bone Up program. We took our best selling educational products and services, plus membership and bundled them into a discounted package we call the Bone Up program. We marketed this program to institutions and hospitals where there were more than 30 nurses who needed educational contact hours in nursing orthopaedics. This program brought in 200 new members. We increased our association's value proposition by including six free webinars with annual membership. These initiatives have helped to boost our membership by almost 400 new members in 2012.

**New Year's Focus:** NAON's focus in 2012-2013 is to continue programs that focus on member retention, value creation and membership growth. We are moving to a new website platform that will allow our members to communicate more easily via listservs and blogs. We will be providing 6 additional free webinars to all members in 2013 and we will be videotaping one track of sessions at our annual meeting. We will take these videos and turn them into educational sessions that include contact hours and add them to our online store for purchase by members and non-members. We are focused on increasing our online library of educational nursing orthopaedic offerings. NAON is also looking at how to more effectively engage and partner with our chapters. We are evaluating our current chapter structure and considering changes that would lighten the administrative paper burden that we currently ask our chapters to adhere to. NAON will be holding our 33rd Annual Congress On May 18-21, 2013 in San Antonio, Texas. Our 2013 theme will be Strong Values Strength in Practice .

**Current Interests:**

- Chapter structures - what is the future of chapters?
- Position statements what process do you follow for compiling an association position statement
- International membership are we an international membership association or do we just have international members?

**National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP)**

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**President:** Susan Van Cleve, DNP, RN, CPNP-PC

**President Elect:** Mikki Meadows Oliver, PhD, CPNP

**Executive Director:** Sandra Vassos, MPA

**Past Year's Progress:** The National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP) is the leading professional association for PNs and other advanced practice nurses whose careers focus on child health. NAPNAP has a growing membership of over 7,500 members and 48 chapters nationwide working to achieve common goals and carry out our mission to promote children's health and provide leadership in advanced practice nursing. To achieve continued membership growth and service, as well as advance business objectives, the Executive Board decided to establish a government affairs office in Washington, DC, and to relocate the organization's headquarters to New York City. Under new leadership, NAPNAP implemented best practice policies related to association management, as well as invested in various technology upgrades to better serve its stakeholders. The Association revised and renewed key position statements over the past year, specifically statements on the Doctorate in Nursing Practice and Breastfeeding. NAPNAP hosted a highly attended annual conference in San Antonio, TX in March, 2012 and continues to provide continuing education to members/non-members through PNPSourCE, an online community for Pediatric Health Care Continuing Education, and offers an online Career Center for members. NAPNAP completed a comprehensive educational needs assessment in 2012. The needs assessment serves to direct our continuing education endeavors, including our online learning management program.

**New Year's Focus:** NAPNAP's Connect & Recruit campaign will continue into 2013 to build awareness of the role of the pediatric nurse practitioner, highlight the benefits of its professional organization, NAPNAP, and increase the number of networked pediatric healthcare professionals nationwide. The Association is a strong advocate of promoting children's health and is involved in advocacy at the local, state and national levels. Having a presence in D.C. will enhance NAPNAP's ability to form strategic, collaborative alliances with other D.C.-based professional nursing and child health organizations during the coming year. NAPNAP will continue to work with its Chapters to address scope of practice issues and operationalization of ACA and related health care coverage mandates. NAPNAP plans to collaborate with national organizations and companies to promote public health awareness campaigns targeted to address key issues in children's health today. Through a survey of its membership, NAPNAP will determine key research priorities to update its research agenda for an additional five year period. In 2013, NAPNAP will also institute a program to develop collaborative relationships with other organizations in an effort to expand the tent for membership.

**Current Interests:**

- Best practices in governance
- Maintaining content relevance and up to date delivery methods
- New means for revenue generation

**National Association of School Nurses**

8484 Georgia Ave, Suite 420  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

**President:** Linda Davis-Alldritt, MA, BSN, RN, FNASN, FASHA

**President Elect:** Carolyn Duff, MS, RN, NCSN

**Executive Director:** Donna Mazyck/dmazyck@nasn.org

**Past Year's Progress:** Successful transition to new executive director; Increased membership by 5%; Membership retention holding at 70-75%; Growth of the NASN Endowment Fund (for scholarship and research) nearing targeted amount; developed new partnerships to advance strategic plan goals; Hired new staff: Director of Research & Assistant Director of Government Affairs; Attendance at annual conference = 1200. Created new advisory committees: Asthma, Childhood Obesity, Food Allergy, Immunizations, and Informatics; Updating Position Documents and updating the procedure for development of the documents; Review and update of policies and procedures in all areas of governance.

**New Year's Focus:** Leadership development among Board of Directors and at all levels of the organization; Increase membership recruitment and retention Increase public awareness of NASN and school nursing s role in student learning; Public & private insurance funding for school nurse positions &/or reimbursement for health services; Technology analysis and plan development

**Current Interests:**

- Parent initiative
- IOM Future of Nursing Report and implications for school nurses
- Affordable Care Act implementation related to school health services Increase number of school nurse positions
- How to serve global membership/implications of global leadership
- Serving continuing educations needs of all members.
- Education for high quality school health services
- School nurse training of unlicensed assistive personnel (UAP) using NASN developed training modules

**National Council of State Boards of Nursing**

111 E. Wacker Drive, Suite 2900

Chicago, IL 60601

**President:** Myra Broadway, JD, MS, RN

**President Elect:** N/A

**Executive Director:** Kathy Apple, MS, RN, FAAN

**Past Year's Progress:**

- NCSBN has finalized agreements to provide its computerized adaptive test (CAT), the NCLEX-RN Examination, in Canada beginning in 2015. In partnership with 10 Canadian registered nurse (RN) regulatory bodies, NCSBN will develop and deliver the exam that will be used as a licensure requirement in Canada.
- NCSBN created a variety of new resources to educate nurses about professional boundaries in a social networking environment. A video and a brochure based on NCSBN's white paper A Nurses Guide to the Use of Social Media are available. Additionally, the American Nurses Association (ANA) and NCSBN mutually endorsed each organization's guidelines for upholding professional boundaries in a social networking environment.
- NCSBN launched a new educational campaign that included a 30-second television spot designed to inform consumers that BONs in the U.S. license advanced practice registered nurses (APRNs) as part of their mission of protecting the public. The campaign explained that BONs are working toward the goal of more APRN licensure uniformity across the country to continue to keep the public safe as health care reform advances.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Assuring implementation of the APRN Consensus Model in all jurisdictions to standardize licensure of APRNs to improve access to care and increase mobility.
- The continuation of an innovative, multi-site NCSBN Transition to Practice Study, which examines the effects of nurse transition to practice programs on patient outcomes, and the NCSBN Simulation Study, a national, multi-site study of simulation use in prelicensure nursing programs.
- NCSBN is continually improving and enhancing the Nursys database for use by BONs and the general public.
- State and territorial BONs feel increasing pressure to do more with fewer resources and lowered funding, NCSBN provides appropriate support and resources to enable them to continue to effectively manage the licensure of nurses in their jurisdiction and protect the public.

**Current Interests:**

- Facilitating the practice of telenursing
- Implementing the APRN Consensus Model
- The Use & Misuse of Social Media
- Collaborative research projects

**National Student Nurses' Association, Inc.**

45 Main Street, Suite 606

Brooklyn, NY 11201

**President:** Joseph Potts, Nursing Student

**President Elect:** N/A

**Executive Director:** Diane Mancino, EdD, RN, CAE, FAAN

**Past Year's Progress:** This year marks NSNA's 60th Anniversary. The 60th Annual Convention, which took place April 11-14, 2012 in Pittsburgh, PA attracted over 3500 students, faculty and exhibitors. The membership goal of 60,000 members was reached and 40 resolutions were passed in the House of Delegates. The 30th Annual MidYear Career Planning Conference took place in San Diego, CA, November 8-11, 2012. Attendees enjoyed the beautiful venue while networking and planning their future nursing careers. For the fifth year, the NSNA New Graduate Survey was sent via email to graduating seniors. This real-time data revealed employment and unemployment trends for 2012 RN graduates. Watch for survey results at [www.nсна.org](http://www.nсна.org)

**New Year's Focus:** We look forward to continued membership growth and involvement of pre-licensure nursing students studying in baccalaureate, associate degree and diploma programs. Career development, professional formation, and trend analysis will drive programming for 2012-13. Leadership development and preparation of future nurse leaders is the ongoing focus of NSNA's mission. This is exemplified by the work of the NSNA Board of Directors and committees who are engaged in community health projects; membership recruitment; legislation education; Breakthrough to Nursing (recruitment into the profession); image of nursing projects; global health initiatives; and shared governance education.

**Current Interests:** New RN graduate employment trends and issues; Nursing student rights and responsibilities including ongoing engagement in the NSNA Code of Ethics; Nursing student to professional nurse transition; Shared-governance education and practice; Promoting a professional image of nursing; Engagement of members in the many programs and activities NSNA has to offer; Preparation for the 2013 International Council of Nurses Student Assembly in Melbourne, Australia.



**Nurses Organization of Veterans Affairs**

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Sterling, VA 20165

**President:** Joan Clifford, MSM, RN, FACHE

**President Elect:** Larry Lemos, MSN, MHA, RN, CNS, GCNS-BC

**Executive Director:** Susan H. Dove

**Past Year's Progress:**

- Bd.Mbrs. participated in "Joining Forces" initiative kick-off with First Lady Michelle Obama.
- Developed new Chapter Formation Guidelines book.
- Hosted successful Legislative Roundtable with nearly 50 representatives from House/Senate VA Committees; Veteran Service Organizations; ANA; VHA Office of Nursing Services and others.
- Developed NOVA 2012 Legislative Agenda.
- Provided input for Independent Budget Nursing Section.
- Created new electronic format for NOVA News quarterly newsletter.
- Signed onto numerous letters of support for nursing programs/funding within Nursing Community.
- Bd.Mbrs. visited White House/met First Lady Michelle Obama.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Develop Annual Meeting Program stressing the "Joining Forces" theme.
- Launch a re-design of NOVA website.
- Develop new DVD about NOVA for marketing to potential new members and others.
- Develop long term plan to support "Joining Forces" initiative.
- Develop strategies for supporting "Million Hearts" initiative.
- Revamp membership database/streamline electronic communications, billing process, etc.

**Current Interests:**

- What effects the Affordable Health Care Act may have on veteran health care/VHA.
- Adequate budget for VA.
- Support for the Electronic Health Record to include appropriate funding.
- Concern regarding continued centralization of important functions in VA including information technology and contracting.
- Monitoring the systemic changes for Advanced Practice Nurses in the new Licensed Independent Practitioner roles.
- Assessing/reviewing practice changes for VA nurses following recommendations of the IOM Report.

**Nutrition Support Nurses Practice Section of A.S.P.E.N**

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**President Elect:** Ainsley Malone, MS, RD, LD, CNSC

**Executive Director:** Debra S. BenAvram, CAE

**Past Year's Progress:** The A.S.P.E.N. Nutrition Support Nurses Section became a member of the Nursing Organizations Alliance (ALLIANCE) in June 2008. The A.S.P.E.N. Nutrition Support Nurses Section continues to play a pivotal role in the society's work as experts in parenteral and enteral nutrition for adult and pediatric patients. Nurse members participate on a variety of task forces and editorial boards. Members have published and presented nutrition support topics in an effort to share expertise with nursing colleagues across sub-specialty groups. Currently we are working with Elsevier/Mosby Publications to review and update nursing skills pertinent to nutrition support to assure best practice. Work continues around promoting safe enteral connections, public policy advocacy in lieu of the medication shortage crisis and contributing to a national nutrition data base called Sustain. The purpose of Sustain is to maintain a prospective, longitudinal nutrition therapy patient registry in order to improve patient outcomes. In its initial phase, Sustain will collect data on patients receiving Home Parenteral Nutrition (HPN). Information about Sustain, nutrition standards and guidelines are available on our website [www.nutritioncare.org](http://www.nutritioncare.org)

**New Year's Focus:** The focus of A.S.P.E.N. Nutrition Support Nurses section continues to be outreach and collaboration with our colleagues across nursing subspecialty groups. We would like to co-sponsor a symposium with another ALLIANCE member at the 2014 Clinical Nutrition Week. In the interim, our nursing experts serve as faculty at many ALLIANCE member organizations. We plan future collaborations with the Academy of Medical Surgical Nursing.

**Current Interests:** Enteral and Parenteral Nutrition Best Practice Standards: including enteral and parenteral access devices  
Standards for Nutrition Support: Adult and Pediatric Patients Nutrition Support Clinical Practice Guidelines for Patients with Specific Conditions, including but not limited to Critical Illness, Acute/Chronic Renal Failure, Oncological Conditions, Neonates Supported with Extracorporeal Membrane Oxygenation and the Hospitalized Obese Pediatric Patient

## **Oncology Nursing Society**

125 Enterprise Drive  
Pittsburgh, PA 15275

**President:** Mary Gullatte, PhD, RN, ANP, BC, AOCN, FAAN

**President Elect:** Paula Rieger, RN, MSN, CAE, FAAN

### **Past Year's Progress:**

- Changes made to the ONS membership model include universal chapter membership and new membership categories.
- Released two new position statements - Lifelong Learning for Professional Oncology Nurses and Access to Quality Cancer Care.
- Health policy activities include: Reintroduced ONS s bill, Improving Cancer Treatment Education Act of 2012, into legislation; sent ten members to 2012 NIWI; ONS president testified before the IOM on quality cancer care.
- Hosted series of regional conferences and the second all-virtual radiation econference.
- Published results of a role delineation study for oncology nurse navigators.
- Advanced-level conference, Connections: Advancing Care Through Science, debuted.
- The Oncology Nursing Forum ranked first for impact factor in the nursing category from 2011 Journal Citation Reports®.
- Publications received awards from AJN, Association Media & Publishing, American Medical Writers Association, and PROSE.
- ONS PEP resource for Chemotherapy-Induced Nausea and Vomiting updated and revised.
- Launched the Educator Resource Center designed to help educators prepare their students and nurses to care for people with cancer.
- Convened a summit on health information technology (HIT); formed an ONS Nursing Informatics Focus Group; granted full membership into the Alliance for Nursing Informatics.
- Connected internationally by leading nursing initiatives in Oman, Turkey, Brazil, India, Czech Republic, and Dubai.

### **New Year's Focus:**

- Health Information Technology efforts include hosting a virtual program in conjunction with the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society entitled eNursing Informatics Institute. Will implement strategies from ONS s HIT business plan.
- A post-masters nurse practitioner certificate in oncology is in development and will launch formally in 2013.
- Project work to begin on navigation competencies. Plan to publish competencies in 2013.
- Launch redesigned website.
- Continue to review and revise current ONS position statements.
- ONS Connect will move to a quarterly publication schedule, focus on an expanded audience, and develop a new, interactive tablet edition.
- Bring education and training to the non-oncology specialized nurse in the provision of cancer care.
- Continue integration of technology in communication and educational offerings through expansion of virtual offerings and leveraging of social media.
- Continue health policy advocacy for cancer services reimbursement, access to care and clinical trials, and nursing practice issues.

### **Current Interests:**

- Providing oncology nursing care education to nurses who do not specialize in oncology.
- Health policy issues focusing on cancer care and the nursing profession.
- Electronic health records.
- Oncology workforce shortage and how advanced practice nurses are filling the gap.
- Survivorship.

**Pediatric Endocrinology Nursing Society (PENS)**

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Lenexa, KS 66285

**President:** Isabel Couto, MSN, RN, CPN  
**President Elect:** Cathy Metzinger, AAS, RN, CDE  
**Executive Director:** Jerrie Lynn Kind

**Past Year's Progress:** PENS had a spectacular conference in Orlando in April 2012. The PENS Board met in April 2012 during our annual conference. During that meeting, the board discussed strategic planning goals for the year ahead. Over the past year, the society has worked with its new management company to enhance the quality of the resources offered, to increase awareness of legislative issues, and to explore opportunities for collaboration with other organizations.

**New Year's Focus:** PENS is currently conducting a certification feasibility study and a membership survey. We've reached out to our industry partners to strengthen corporate relationships. PENS is a proud new member of the Nursing Community as well as a founding member of the Institute for Pediatric Nursing. We are in the process of redefining our education offerings and are embarking on a Speaker's Bureau program. This year, we will also be introducing a new membership recognition award.

**Current Interests:**

- Legislative issues affecting pediatric healthcare
- Advancement in pediatric endocrine care and practice
- Technology in healthcare
- Developing new sources of organizational revenue
- Distribution of resources and education
- Collaborations
- Grants and funding of research
- Organizational representation
- Certification

## **Preventive Cardiovascular Nurses Association**

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Madison, WI 53703

**President:** Lola A. Coke, PhD, APRN-BC, CNS

**President Elect:** Kathy Berra, MSN, ANP-BC

**Executive Director:** Sue Koob, MPA

**Past Year's Progress:** The Preventive Cardiovascular Nurses Association (PCNA) is the leading nursing organization dedicated to preventing CVD. The mission of PCNA is to promote nurses as leaders in the prevention and management of CVD through the development of professional and patient education, leadership, and advocacy. PCNA has approximately 3,000 active members and reaches over 30,000 healthcare professionals. This year, PCNA released updated patient education materials on High Blood Pressure, Antiplatelet Medicines, and Angina (Spanish). Over 1,750,000 PCNA educational materials have been distributed to date. In addition to reaching thousands of healthcare providers and community members at events nationwide, 700 healthcare professionals gathered at the 18th Annual Symposium. The event featured lectures and workshops by noted authorities in CV risk reduction and disease management, and the launch of our inaugural pre-conference Leadership Training for 25 distinguished members. PCNA also kicked-off its prevention campaign, Heart Disease Prevention Starts With Us, featuring real PCNA members from the clinical, academic, and community practice areas. PCNA is involved in national and international issues surrounding the public awareness of CVD prevention. PCNA is a member of the World Heart Federation and continues to take its mission around the world. On a national level, PCNA is an active partner of Million Hearts initiative and our Advocacy Committee responds to legislative issues that address CVD prevention via its new Advocacy Central webpage.

**New Year's Focus:** This year we're seeing tremendous growth that will continue into 2013. Next year, PCNA will continue to increase our reach, expand patient and community education programming, continue national and international awareness efforts, create new partnerships with like organizations and launch new award and grant opportunities that support research. We are working to further diversify the delivery format of our professional education programs using web-based technology both to enhance learning and to expand our reach. Our flagship professional education tool, National Guidelines and Tools for Cardiovascular Risk Reduction, is poised for update in 2013, based on the expected revision of national guidelines for dyslipidemia, hypertension and obesity. We plan to release this fourth edition in print and via mobile application format to better support the practicing clinician. In addition, we will be updating and redesigning our patient education materials on heart failure available as a modular library. We will also be developing our first on-demand CE program in video format, new online initiatives on social networking sites, live streaming from PCNA events and online collaboration opportunities at the 2013 Annual Symposium. In response to the Affordable Care Act, we also plan to amplify our efforts to reach providers in the primary care setting with educational programs and tools, knowing that these professionals will increasingly be charged with chronic disease management, the bulk of which consists of management of diabetes, dyslipidemia, and hypertension. Follow PCNA's efforts at [pcna.net](http://pcna.net).

### **Current Interests:**

- Cardiovascular Disease Prevention
- Cardiovascular Risk Reduction
- Cardiovascular Nursing
- Women & Health
- Disease
- Nursing Continuing Education

**Sigma Theta Tau International**

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**President:** Suzanne S. Prevost, PhD, RN, COI  
**President Elect:** Hester Klopper, PhD, MBA, RN, RM, FANSA  
**Executive Director:** Patricia E. Thompson, EdD, RN, FAAN

**Past Year's Progress:**

- Received ECOSOC status with the United Nations
- Inducted 14 into the International Nurse Researcher Hall of Fame
- Leadership academies for geriatrics, maternal/child health and nurse faculty continue to progress well
- The Australian Research Congress was successful with over 700 researchers attending from 27 countries. The next congress will be held in Prague, Czech Republic on 22-26 July 2013
- Co-sponsored Nursing Education Research Conference with the National League for Nursing, 15-16 June 2012
- Continue to seek and build collaboration with nursing organizations nationally and internationally

**New Year's Focus:** Building on the Board's Vision 2020 document, with an emphasis on being: 1) a valued, relevant and meaningful organization for members and nurses worldwide; 2) an intentionally global organization; 3) a thought leader in creating and sharing knowledge and in developing leadership resources; and 4) a knowledge-focused, technology enable organization.

**Current Interests:** Maintaining membership in a difficult economic environment.

**Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates**

401 N. Michigan Ave.

Chicago, IL 60611

**President:** Phyllis Malpas, MA RN CGRN

**President Elect:** Betty McGinty, MS HSA BS RN CGRN

**Executive Director:** Dale West, CAE

**Past Year's Progress:** SGNA hosted the third Infection Prevention Consortium this year. The meeting was attended by 48 people representing other societies and industry partners. Main topics included SGNA's Infection Prevention Champions Program which is currently being piloted, regulatory and accreditation issues, human factor engineering and centralization of HLD. The Education Committee is working on a revised Endoscopic Cleaning and High-Level Disinfection Module with expected release in late 2012 and they are also working on a revised Core Curriculum with expected release in May 2013. SGNA is in the middle of our inaugural class of Nurse Fellows and Scholars. The Nurse Fellows received in-person training using curriculum developed by SGNA and the TCU Center for Evidence-based Practice and Research: A Collaborating Center of the Joanna Briggs Institute to educate and train them on evidence-based research that can be then applied to their day-to-day practice. The Scholars also received training at TCU to educate and train them to build a repository of research applicable to the GI/endoscopy setting. In addition, SGNA's Legislative Director attended several meetings this year including the Digestive Disease National Coalition, Dialogue for Action, National Colorectal Cancer Roundtable and ASGE's Health and Public Policy Committee. SGNA successfully held its 39th Annual Course in Phoenix, Arizona in May 2012. The conference attracted over 1,300 attendees and 91 exhibitors.

**New Year's Focus:** In 2013, SGNA will continue to work on our three year strategic plan which began in 2012. The plan includes immediate work on addressing the educational needs of experienced nurses, those in nursing management/leadership roles and nursing assistive personnel. SGNA will work on providing access to information regarding emerging technologies and practices in the GI/endoscopy field. SGNA will continue to identify tools to assist nurses in learning how to translate evidence into practice. SGNA will continue to focus our efforts to support policy regarding colorectal cancer awareness, infection prevention and sedation administration. SGNA's 40th Annual Course will take place May 17- 22, 2013 in Austin, Texas. We expect registration to open in December 2012.

**Current Interests:**

- Infection Control
- Sedation
- Evidence-based research and practice
- Nurse leadership/management
- Colorectal cancer awareness

**Society of Otorhinolaryngology and Head-Neck Nurses**

207 Downing Street  
New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168

**President:** Mary B. Huntoon, MSN, RN, CORLN  
**President Elect:** Margaret Chesnutt, MSN, FNP BC CORLN  
**Executive Director:** Sandra L. Schwartz, MS, RN, CORLN

**Past Year's Progress:** SOHN's Accomplishments in the past year: Continued to work collaboratively with the American Academy of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery (AAO-HNS) on ORL clinical guidelines for the specialty. SOHN has played an integral part in nine of the completed guidelines. In addition SOHN members have also served as peer reviewers. In October 2012 a joint clinical consensus paper was published by the AAO-HNS and SOHN on Tracheostomy Care. We are proud to have played an instrumental part in the development of this very important document. SOHN has enhanced the leadership section of the organization's strategic plan to meet the challenges set forth by the Future of Nursing initiative. The very successful SOHN Annual Congress and Nursing Symposium - The Future of Nursing: Capitalizing on Collaboration was held September 7 - 11, 2012 in Washington, DC. Active Social Media department/coordinator - Facebook, web site and Twitter

**New Year's Focus:** SOHN's Focus for 2013: SOHN will continue to participate in the development of ORL clinical guidelines with the AAO-HNS. The Tracheostomy Care Consensus Paper will be endorsed by SOHN and a companion reference List will be added. SOHN will take the lead in distribution of this important document. Following distribution to the SOHN members it will be available to other nursing specialties and health care professionals. Educational activities: The 37th Annual Congress and Nursing Symposium, Vancouver, BC, September 27 - 31, 2013. SOHN Spring Seminar Series and Pediatric Spring Meeting, April 2013. Development of online Comprehensive ORL Nursing Course. Redesign of SOHN web site

**Current Interests:**

- Recruitment and Retention of Members
- Social Media Advancements/Opportunities
- Leadership Development
- Revenue Builders
- Alternative types/style of education meetings

**Society of Pediatric Nurses**

7044 S. 13th St.  
Oak Creek, WI 53154

**President:** Myra Martz Huth, PhD, RN, FAAN  
**President Elect:** N/A this year  
**Executive Director:** Nancy Short, Association Manager

**Past Year's Progress:** Transitioned to a new management company. New President and Vice-President.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Increase the quantity of individual and corporate members and the quality of their experience.
- Increase the visibility of SPN among targeted stakeholders by strengthening the brand and communication strategies.
- Develop the organizational and operational ability to achieve the above stated goals.

**Current Interests:** Engagement of volunteer committee members.



**Society of Trauma Nurses**

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Lexington, KY 40517

**President:** Melissa Harte, RN, MS

**President Elect:** Karen Doyle, MBA, MS, RN, NEA-BC

**Executive Director:** Stephanie Czuhajewski, CAE

**Past Year's Progress:** The Society of Trauma Nurses (STN) has had a very exciting and productive year under the guidance of a very dynamic board and staff. i) Membership has increased by 10% this year ii) Our annual conference experienced a 9% increase in attendance. iii) The organization recently approved a strategic plan including the following goals: a. Develop and Implement an Integrated Marketing and Communications Plan b. Establish and Provide the Highest Quality Educational Resources for Trauma Professionals c. Design and Execute Leadership Development Activities and Resources for STN and its Members d. Develop and Execute Initiatives that Promote Excellence Across the Continuum of Trauma Care iv) Our collaborative relationships with the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma (ACS COT), Eastern Association for the Surgery of Trauma (EAST) and Trauma Center Association of America (TCAA) are continuing to mature and expand

**New Year's Focus:** The Society of Trauma Nurses is focusing on the following initiatives next year: i) Implementing an Integrated Marketing and Communications Plan ii) Updating existing educational resources and developing new resources for the membership. iii) Update and implement a new leadership succession plan to ensure competency based board members while also continuing to support board training and development. iv) Investigate the possibility of developing and implementing a Trauma Nurse Certification program. v) Advance advocacy efforts. vi) Create position statements and white papers. Please join us at our 2013 annual conference *High Stakes Challenges in Trauma Care* will be held from April 3-5, 2013 in Las Vegas, Nevada. We look forward to continuing to develop and service trauma nursing leaders and care providers.

**Society of Urological Nurses and Associates (SUNA)**

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Pitman, NJ 08071-0056

**President:** Valre W. Welch, MSN,RN, CPNP

**President Elect:** Deborah L. Hensley, BSN, RN, CURN

**Executive Director:** Cyndee N.Hnatiuk,EdD,RN,CAE ( interim Executive Director)

**Past Year's Progress:** Membership: 2376 Active chapters: 40 Certified members: 665 Foundation funded 7 scholarships to members and 2 for chapter enhancement 43rd Annual Conference: Washington,DC, Nov.2-5,2012; Advanced practice cystoscopy course and AP diagnostic imaging evaluation;certification review course; along with variety of concurrent sessions;offered CME credit (for PAs) Annual Symposium: San Francisco, March 1-3,2012,expanded urodynamics course;incontinence & pelvic floor disorders Completion of Urologic Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice 2nd Ed.;received ANA approval Development of Core Curriculum for Urologic Nursing in progress Completion and publication of AUA/SUNA:White paper on Incidence, Prevention,and Treatment of Complications Related to Prostate Needle Biopsy Continued collaboration with GAUN & EAUN to improve international urologic nursing practice-publication of "International Nursing Roles in Urology" in Urologic Nursing and IUJ Completion of Cystoscopy Guidelines- comprehensive educational resource for the APRN performing cystoscopy Support and approval of Nursing Community legislative issues and projects including A Million Hearts and ANA Joining Forces Offered 4 free CNE programs on website for members

**New Year's Focus:**

- Continue work on Core Curriculum with publication in 2014
- Revision and expansion of clinical practice guidelines to include more evidence based practices
- Selection of new Executive Director
- Create a comprehensive leadership development initiative
- Update and enhance website to increase member use and satisfaction
- Provide educational programs that address emerging issues,latest research and evidence based practices
- Annual Symposium Savannah, GA March 7-9,2013

**Current Interests:**

- Collaboration with other specialty organizations to enhance and ensure comprehensive evidenced- based patient care
- Participation in nursing research to further evidence-based practices

**The Association of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition Nurses**

PO Box 6  
Flourtown, PA 19031

**President:** Lisa Philichi, MN, RN, CPNP

**President Elect:** Diane Kocovsky, APRN

**Past Year's Progress:** An online ulcerative colitis learning module and telephone triage materials were developed for members. A two day education conference titled The Changing Face of Pediatric GI is planned this month in conjunction with our Annual Meeting. Continued gi education, including a review of the research process, through quarterly newsletter articles.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Promoting professional development including education offerings and research support.
- Enhancing membership participation.
- Promoting excellence in the care of families with children who have gastroenterology/nutrition illness through education resources.

**Current Interests:**

- Ideas to increase membership participation.
- Developing a pediatric gi certification process.

**The National Association of Nurse Massage Therapists**

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West Milton, OH 45458

**President:** Judy Dean, RN, DSc., NCTMB, CHt

**President Elect:** none yet

**Executive Director:** Shawn Hicks

**Past Year's Progress:** When I assumed the Office of President on 1-1-12, the Assoc. was on the verge of being dissolved and \$4K in debt to the Mgmnt Firm. The debt was paid in 6 months. Assoc. Newsletter re-established. Marketing efforts increased. Membership Categories & Benefits expanded. Networking, Social Media presence and increased member involvement has occurred.

**New Year's Focus:**

Increase membership. Continue to connect with fellow Nurse Massage Therapists. Increase known presence with State Boards of Nsg regarding Nurse Practice Acts and inclusion of Massage Therapy; Increase efforts to achieve ANA Nursing Specialty status; Be acknowledged as the 'Spokesperson' for the use of CAM modalities in Nursing & health care; promote the continued inclusion of the Nurse Massage Therapist approaches in preventative measures and mgmnt of chronic illness within the illness/wellness continuum and finally to evaluate the potential for the Nurse Massage Therapist to be Nationally Certified as such within Nsg.

**Current Interests:** Connection with Nurse Massage Therapists in fellow NOA membership organizations. Productive Marketing Techniques; Networking and Collaboration with fellow Nsg Organizations for potential educational program development ie Massage Therapy Educational Pilot program oriented for RN's to become nationally Board Certified within the Massage Therapy Community

**The National Gerontological Nursing Association**

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**President:** Amy Cotton MSN, GNP-BC, FNP-BC, FNGNA, FAAN

**President Elect:** Mary Rita Hurley RN, MPA

**Executive Director:** Brian Doty

**Past Year's Progress:** The National Gerontological Nursing Association (NGNA) finalized a three year strategic plan to support our mission of improving nursing care for older adults. Developing future leaders for our organization has been achieved via the launch of a leadership development webinar for current and prospective committee leaders. We have strengthened orientation and mentoring of incoming Board, committee and special interest group leaders. We re-launched our member list serve, to promote networking for best practices and peer support. A goal to improve access to quality online continuing education for our members was realized with the production of several educational webinars from our 2011 national convention. Our organization continues to influence health policy for improved quality and access to health care for the elderly. NGNA partnered with the Elder Workforce Alliance to explore the concept of expanded roles for the nation's direct care workforce and draft language to support safe, quality and efficient health care delivery. NGNA's President-Elect was selected for the Nurse In Washington Internship opportunity this year. NGNA published a national position statement supporting gerontological nursing education standards for RN students, faculty and existing RN workforce caring for older adults. We served as strategic partner and Chair for the inaugural 2011 World Conference on Aging discussing innovative care delivery models to meet an aging population's needs.

**New Year's Focus:** NGNA is focusing on sustainability of our organization. Building and strengthening donor relationships, evaluating new strategies for membership recruitment and identifying opportunities for new revenue streams are all core areas for the upcoming year. Another focus area is to develop a quality online gerontological nursing certification prep course to support our members and the national nursing workforce to skills build in competencies for nursing care delivery to older adults. NGNA has committed to developing a strengthened relationship with CMS to partner in efforts to reduce the inappropriate use of antipsychotic medications in older adults in the next year, leveraging the skills of members in our Advancing Excellence in America's Nursing Home Committee and Long Term Care Special Interest Groups.

**Current Interests:** Leadership Succession, Development and Philanthropic Strategies, Strengthening Health Policy Engagement of Association Members, Effective Strategies for Member Recruitment & Retention

**Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nurses Society**

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**President:** Kathleen Lawrence, MSN, RN, CWOCN

**President Elect:** Phyllis Kupsick, MSN, FNP-BC, CWOCN

**Executive Director:** Nicolette Zuecca, MPA, CAE

**Past Year's Progress:**

- Developed and launched the Role and Scope of Practice for Wound Care Providers and the Wound Treatment Associate (WTA) Program.
- Developed the Management of the Patient with a Fecal Ostomy: Best Practice for Clinicians.
- Revised our Clinical Practice Guidelines: Lower Extremity Neuropathic Disease, Lower Extremity Venous Disease, Lower Extremity Arterial Disease, and Prevention of Pressure Ulcer.
- Developed a WOC Nurse leadership orientation for public policy and advocacy.
- Collaborated on HR Resolution 152; focused on access to ostomy supplies and reimbursement.
- Developed the WOCN Advocacy and Grassroots Toolkit.
- Participated as an NQF member.
- Participated in the National Nursing Research Roundtable.
- Awarded 30 scholarships for WOC nursing education and advanced practice education.
- Awarded 9 WOC research grants
- Established an official journal affiliate with the Canadian Association for Enterostomal Therapy.
- Created the Research Grant Proposal Submission Toolkit.
- Created a series of online portable instructional education (PIE) resources in WOC care for different practice settings.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Increase educational offerings for advanced practice nurses.
- Devise a variety of strategies to provide web based wound, ostomy and continence continuing educational programs.
- Increase the toolset to empower members in their practice.
- Publish research to demonstrate impact of specialty wound, ostomy and continence nurses patient outcomes.

**Current Interests:**

- Increase educational outreach/offerings for non-baccalaureate nurses providing WOC nursing care (Associate Degree Nurse (ADN); Diploma, Licensed Practical Nurse/Licensed Vocational Nurse [LPN/LVN])
- Increase collaboration with other organizations with compatible missions to increase awareness of the WOC role and value
- Increase recognition of the value and role of WOC nurses to healthcare administrators/employers, payers and policy makers