

## **Academy of Medical-Surgical Nurses**

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**President Elect:** Linda Yoder, PhD, MBA, RN, FAAN

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

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

- Developed the Clinical Leadership Development Program (CDLP) for clinical nurses at the bedside. Collaborated with Health Stream to create an online platform to make the 10 module program available to nurses
- Published the Core Curriculum for Medical-Surgical Nursing, Fifth Edition
- Collaborating with APNA to develop protocols and standards for the medical-surgical nurse providing care for the patient who has attempted/contemplated suicide
- Established a task force to define medical-surgical nursing and its distinguishing characteristics
- Collaborated with American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nursing (AAACN) in Care Coordination and Transition Management
- Began piloting an online community for members to communicate and share information
- Collaborated with Marlene Kramer and her research on the Elements of Magnetism III
- Successfully implemented activities to enhance the attendee's social experience at the AMSN convention
- Participated as a strategic partner in the Alliance to Advance Patient Nutrition
- Participated in NAQC and ANA Organizational Affiliate activities
- Member of the Nursing Community. Signed on to several initiatives
- Collaborating with the Medical-Surgical Nursing Certification Board (MSNCB) in the following initiatives:
  - FailSafe program – A program in which a health care facility registers 10 or more nurses to take the CMSRN exam within a year. The nurse gets more than one chance to pass the exam, and the health care facility doesn't pay until the nurse passes.
  - AMSN PRISM Award – A program to recognize exemplary medical-surgical nursing unit. Received five applications. Nine awards have been presented.

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

- Implement an outcome evaluation study of the Clinical Leadership Development Program for clinical nurses at the bedside
- Disseminate the updated definition of medical-surgical nursing and its distinguishing characteristics
- Collaborate with other nursing organizations to prepare nurses for accountable care, the IOM Future of Nursing recommendations and other health care transformation initiatives.

### **Current Interests:**

- Healthy practice environment
- Value of the med-surg nurse
- Clinical leadership
- Care coordination and transitional management

**Academy of Neonatal Nursing**  
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Petaluma, California 94954

**President:** NA  
**President Elect:** NA  
**Executive Director:** Debbie Fraser MN, RNC-NIC

**Past Year's Progress:**

- Offered first annual symposium for nurse leaders
- Planned and organized live webinar on neonatal abstinence syndrome
- Continued partnership with NICUniversity which included expanding their online lecture library with two new recordings and CE offerings
- Added eight single CE activities to our pharmacology hub to meet demands of members renewing certification
- Developed six Home Study CNE courses to correspond with articles published in the association journal, Neonatal Network: The Journal of Neonatal Nursing
- Successfully renewed ANCC accreditation and continued to review and revise policies and procedures to remain in compliance
- Developed ongoing post-CNE activity survey to measure change in practice

**New Year's Focus:**

- Continue working with committed group of volunteers to complete a series of in-depth Toolkits offering a multitude of professional resources on many platforms including recorded lectures, journal articles, book chapters, video, etc.
- Increase involvement in social media activities to build audiences and increase exposure to younger demographic
- Continue to support and expand virtual-learning case studies offered on Baby ANN Facebook page
- Work with NCC to support our members in renewing their certification by identifying specialty content codes in our CE for their NCC maintenance

**Current Interests:**

- education of new career nurses
- recruitment and retention of younger members
- microvolunteering

**American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nursing**

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**President:** Nancy May, MSN, RN-BC, NEA-BC

**President Elect:** Debra L. Cox, MS, RN

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

**Past Year's Progress:**

- In collaboration with the Medical-Surgical Nursing Certification Board (MSNCB) developed a Care Coordination and Transition Management (CCTM) certification exam
- Collaborated with the American Association of Nurse Executives (AONE) to release a joint statement on The Role of the Nurse Leader in Care Coordination and Transition Management across the Health Care Continuum. Representatives from both associations will present on this topic at each organization's annual conference.
- In partnership with HealthStream and Kaiser Permanente, developed second generation interactive online Care Coordination and Transition Management Course
- Nurse Sensitive Indicator Task Force continues to develop, identify, and test nurse sensitive processes and outcome indicators related to the role of the RN in ambulatory care
- In collaboration with Wolters Kluwer, developed ambulatory nursing procedures for a Lippincott publication
- Implemented "Connected Community" list serve platform to better serve member networking needs.
- Celebrated 40th anniversary at 2015 conference with record breaking attendance of 800 nurses.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Publish Scope and Standards of Practice for Registered Nurses in Care Coordination and Transition Management (CCTM)
- Complete Review Questions resource to assist nurses in preparing for the Care Coordination and Transition Management (CCTM) certification exam
- Re-define AAACN's role in telehealth nursing practice
- Publish 9th edition of Scope and Standards of Practice for Professional Ambulatory Care Nursing
- Complete the revision of the Role of the Ambulatory Care RN Position Paper
- Develop evidence-based standardized residency program for new grads and RNs new to the ambulatory specialty
- Complete "what not to do" statements to keep patients safe for submission to American Academy of Nursing (AAN) for consideration as part of the Choosing Wisely initiative
- Continue to prepare nurses for certification in ambulatory care, and care coordination and transition management.

**Current Interests:**

- Care Coordination and Transition Management
- Role of the RN in Ambulatory Care
- Ambulatory Care Nurse Sensitive Indicators
- Nurse Licensure Compact
- Telehealth Nursing Practice
- Ambulatory RN Nurse Residency Programs

**American Association of Colleges of Nursing**

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**President:** Eileen Breslin, PhD, RN, FAAN  
**President Elect:** Julie Sebastian, PhD, RN, FAAN  
**Executive Director:** Deborah Trautman, PhD, RN

**Past Year's Progress:**

- Completed the work of the Futures Task Force to look at AACN's current programs and services with the goal of seeking recommendations for the future work of the organization
- Commissioned Manatt Health Solutions to conduct a study on how to elevate nursing's role in academic health centers (AHCs)
- Issued two new white papers this year on The Doctor of Nursing Practice: Current Issues and Clarifying Recommendations and Re-envisioning the Clinical Education of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses
- Expanded membership in the Graduate Nursing Student Academy to more than 14,000 students. Established two new scholarship programs exclusively for graduate students
- Expanded our partnership with The Arnold P. Gold Foundation around promoting compassionate care to include sponsoring White Coat Ceremonies at 60 schools nationwide
- Joined with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the Johnson & Johnson Campaign for Nursing's Future to award more than \$3 million in scholarships to nursing students from minority backgrounds
- Expanded our partnership with the Jonas Center for Nursing and Veterans Health care to increase the number of doctorally prepared nurse faculty in all 50 states
- Developed an online certification prep course for Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL) students interested in sitting for the CNL.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Implementing the recommendations of the Futures Task Force across departments and program areas
- Highlighting findings from the Manatt report as well as the RAND report on the progress of the movement to the DNP
- Providing expanded services to master's and doctoral program students through the 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
- Expanding faculty development initiatives, including growing the AACN faculty webinar series and offering new enrichment opportunities for nurse educators
- 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
- 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:**

- Promoting leadership development for all nurses
- Raising the education level of the nursing workforce
- Expanding nursing's role in shaping health policy
- 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:** Karen McQuillan, RN, MS, CCRN, CNRN, CNS-BC, FAAN

**President Elect:** Clareen Wienczek, RN, PhD, ACNP, ACHPN

**Executive Director:** Dana Woods, MBA

**Past Year's Progress:**

- Grew membership to more than 104,000 nurses who care for acutely and critically ill patients
- Increased the number of nurses certified by AACN Certification Corporation to more than 93,000
- Expanded the AACN Clinical Scene Investigator (CSI) Academy to more than 190 nurses and 49 hospitals – achieving significant clinical outcomes including decreased lengths of stay, days on mechanical ventilation, HAIs and ICU complications, delirium, patient falls and pressure ulcers. The total fiscal impact from the first six cohorts exceeds \$28 million in annualized savings
- Completed the alignment of AACN Certification Corporation's certification exams for advanced practice nurses with the Consensus Model for APRN Regulation and continue to participate in the Licensure, Accreditation, Certification and Education (LACE) work group to implement the model across the profession
- With our physician colleagues in the Critical Care Societies Collaborative, addressed multidisciplinary concerns including the epidemic of burnout among healthcare professionals, which prompted a Burnout Summit at the 2015 NTI and similar content offered at the 2015 SCCM and CHEST conferences. Additionally, the Collaborative has authored a call to action regarding burnout which will soon be published in the journals of the member societies
- The annual NTI and Critical Care Exposition in San Diego, CA achieved significantly higher than planned attendance of over 8,000 nurses. Participants and exhibitors evaluated the venue exceptionally well

**New Year's Focus:**

- Update and expand AACN's comprehensive digital properties and programs, including launching a new website
- Continue the positive momentum of AACN's CSI Academy through implementation of plans to expand the program
- Publish the second edition of the AACN Standards for Establishing and Sustaining Healthy Work Environments which will include updated evidence supporting implementation of the standards.

**Current Interests:**

- Continued turbulence in healthcare and the workplace resulting in unhealthy work environments and inhibiting nurses from providing optimal patient-and-family centered care
- Ongoing focus on the issue of burnout and multidisciplinary opportunities to strengthen resiliency among healthcare providers
- Sustained efforts with the LACE workgroup to facilitate implementation of the APRN Consensus Model including diligent exploration of the implications to clinicians and patients of inconsistent implementation. Additionally, maintain outreach to program directors to review and approve curriculum for their programs.

**American Association of Heart Failure Nurses**

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**President:** Marilyn Prasun, RN, PhD, CCNS, CNL, FAHA, CHFN  
**President Elect:** Cynthia J. Bither, RN, MSN, ANP-C, ACNP-C, CHFN  
**Executive Director:** Karyn Lockshine

**Past Year's Progress:**

- Held 11th Annual Meeting
- We also held an Advance HF Symposium in addition to 2 symposiums that address HF Readmission
- Published "Heart Failure Disease Management: From Planning to Implementation"
- AAHFN has grown to over 2300 members
- Updated and republished the Core Curriculum for Heart Failure.

**New Year's Focus:**

AAHFN will be focusing on the development and implementation of a global marketing plan, redesigning our website, and defining/developing an educational plan.

**Current Interests:**

Readmission continues to be a hot topic for our members along with certification, and advocacy.

**American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants**

330 N Wabash Ave Ste 2000

Chicago, Illinois 60611

**President:** Varsha Desai, BSN RN CNLCP LNCC

**President Elect:** Susan Carleo, RN CAPA LNCC

**Executive Director:** Kristin Dee, MPS CAE

**Past Year's Progress:**

- AALNC successfully launched a newly redesigned website and also identified a social media strategy using LinkedIn and Facebook. These efforts are helping to provide better member services and also attract potential new members and/or customers.
- AALNC successfully held its Legal Nurse Consulting Educational and Networking Forum in Indianapolis, IN in March 2015. The forum attracted over 200 attendees, delivered exceptional educational content and incorporated a new mobile app.
- AALNC continues to advertise the LNC Locator to various legal communities. The LNC Locator provides geographic search results for legal nurse consultants and nurse expert witnesses with particular clinical and/or legal specialties
- The Journal of Legal Nurse Consulting (JLNC) continues to expand under the editorial leadership of Wendie Howland. Four issues are scheduled for 2015 and the Board approved making the publication open-access and available to anyone interested in legal nurse consulting
- AALNC continues to have representatives on the Voice of the Defense Bar's (DRI) Steering Committee for the Medical Liability and Health Care Law Seminar, DRI's SNF Seminar Committee and the ABA's Nursing and Allied Healthcare Professionals Task Force.

**New Year's Focus:**

- In 2016, AALNC is looking to complete the final phase of its online course revisions to its successful program "Legal Nurse Consulting Online Course". In addition, work will begin on the 4th edition of AALNC's Legal Nurse Consulting Principles & Practice, which serves as the association's foundational text.
- Identifying an awareness strategy for both the clinical and legal communities is of high importance as the association strives to set itself as the gold standard in legal nurse consulting.
- AALNC will also complete the revised Scope and Standards document with an associated Curriculum Map
- AALNC's 2016 Legal Nurse Consulting Educational and Networking Forum will take place in Charlotte, NC, April 22-23, 2016. This year's conference will include a special one-day course on expert witness training from Steven Babitsky, Esq. of SEAK Inc.

**Current Interests:**

- Social Media
- Brand awareness
- Textbook publishing
- Online education

**American Association of Neuroscience Nurses**

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**President:** Janice L. Hinkle, RN, PhD, CNRN

**President Elect:** Cindy Sullivan, RN, MN, APN-C, CNRN

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

**Past Year's Progress:**

- The board of directors participated in board development sessions
  - “Culture Counts: High Performing Boards and Thoughtful Discussions”
  - “Intergenerational Communication”
  - “How Diversity Makes us Smarter”
- Advocacy Committee developed and published two position statements
  - “The Value of Certification in Neuroscience Nursing”
  - “The Impact of Neuroscience Nursing on Quality of Care and Health Outcomes”
- Continued strengthening and expanding strategic alliances – collaborating on projects of mutual interest
- Hosted Stroke Care Conference
- Selected a new Journal Editor to succeed the current JNN editor who is retiring.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Conduct a long-range strategic planning / visioning meeting
- Continue to expand opportunities for collaboration and partnering with other nursing and healthcare organizations
- 48th annual Educational Meeting April 9 – 12, 2016 in New Orleans, LA
- Publish the sixth edition of the AANN Core Curriculum for Neuroscience Nursing
- Continue to strengthen interdisciplinary strategic alliances – collaborating on projects of mutual interest
- Improve website using responsive design

**Current Interests:**

Topics of interest for AANN include:

- Advocacy and endorsements
- Engagement and diversity
- Recruitment and retention
- Healthy Nurse
- Social Media
- Online education platforms



**American Association of Nurse Anesthetists**

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Park Ridge, Illinois 60068

**President:** Juan Quintana, CRNA, DNP, MHS

**President Elect:** Cheryl Nimmo, CRNA, DNP, MBA

**Executive Director:** Wanda Wilson, CRNA, PhD, MSN

**Past Year's Progress:**

The AANA worked with members to provide resources and understanding of the business of anesthesia, reporting outcome measures and PQRS. The AANA continues to work on diversity within the profession. Many hours have been dedicated to supporting the VHA changes in the nursing handbook for full practice authority for all APRNs. The organization continued the high level marketing and public relations events to promote nurse anesthesia - access, quality, patient safety and cost-effectiveness.

**New Year's Focus:**

The AANA has started building a practice management area within our Professional Practice department to provide resources for our members. AANA is working with our Foundation to promote health sciences research on CRNAs. The association will be onboarding online communities for special interest groups in November.

**Current Interests:**

Topics:

- Removing barriers to scope of practice and full practice authority
- Strengthening state associations through leadership development and governance training
- Providing education on anesthesia business and reimbursement
- 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
- 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.

## **American Association of Nurse Life Care Planners**

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**President:** Victoria Powell, RN, CCM, LNCC, CNLCP, CLCP, CBIS, MSCC, CEAS

**President Elect:** Pat Rapson

**Executive Director:** Tamra Armstrong

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

Our goals were to increase membership, increase the number of members with various certifications, increase opportunities for membership with different membership types, provide more educational opportunities, improve voter feedback, launch new resources, increase marketing efforts, and handle some infrastructure changes as well. We had lofty goals and while we did not meet several of our goals we did make some significant changes.

- We did not increase our total membership, in fact membership fell a bit, but our membership types worked out well and we increased membership in new areas. We have become more inclusive than in the past and this nature has transitioned even into the executive board. We have met our educational goals by providing more webinars and a special Mastermind series which has been well received despite multiple technical glitches with the initial launch. Our voter turnout was improved, but still fell below our expectations. We did launch new resources, but have not had much training or marketing about these resources to date. Our operations manager retired which resulted in more infrastructure changes than we had anticipated and we are still very much in recovery mode.
- Our biggest change this year was the lack of conference. We have moved our annual conference from the Fall to the Early Spring and this resulted in no conference for 2015. This has impacted our budget, but we made provisions for this and anticipate a great turnout for 2016.
- Another significant project was the launch of a new student program to provide additional training, education, and mentoring to students just joining the association. It took most of the year, but the program is launched and we are awaiting student enrollees at the present time.

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

Next year our focus will be on infrastructure again after the loss of our long time operations manager. We will seek a membership fee increase for the basic level of membership and have obtained a necessary change in the bylaws to allow this to happen. We plan to increase our marketing and particularly our exhibiting opportunities. We hope to improve member engagement on committees and our annual conference move should assist in our meeting this goal. We plan to publish our scope and standards by January. We also have much fine tuning to do of the programs we launched for 2015.

### **Current Interests:**

- Due to our recent issues, we would like to see some various options for small organizations to address operations management/strategic planning/marketing. Our budget is very small and this results in very few options for us
- You can never provide too much information on member engagement and retention.
- Marketing on a shoestring would also be helpful.

## **American Association of Occupational Health Nurses**

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Pensacola, Florida 32514

**President:** Jeannie K. Tomlinson, MSN, RN, COHN-S, FAAOHN  
**President Elect:** Mary Gene Ryan, MPH, BSN, COHN-S/SM, CSP, FAAOHN  
**Executive Director:** Kay N Campbell, EdD, RN, COHN-S, FAAOHN

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

AAOHN continues to provide membership with valuable products and services to enhance their knowledge and skills in providing workers in the US and the world quality healthcare. The AAOHN Board of Directors met in March at the AAOHN 2015 Annual Conference held in Boston, Massachusetts with 865 nurses in attendance. The conference was another success with some 40 educational offerings at the main conference and 12 pre-conference courses. The Board meets continuously through the year on a bimonthly basis. At the national meeting the Board continued their development efforts by having an educational session on Leadership. During that meeting, the board reviewed activities accomplished and set the strategic plan for the next 2 years. Over the past year, the organization continues to be financially sound, meets member expectations for educational products and services ie. Core Curriculum-Fundamentals of OEHN Study Guide was published and put online, some 14 webinars on leading edge healthcare offered monthly. We actively engaged in partnering with other nursing colleagues, OH professionals and the government in grants and articles to develop tools for safety and health ie. Respiratory Protection, Sleep Education Modules, and Marijuana in the Workplace. AAOHN collaborates with ANA, Nursing Community, Adult Access to Vaccines and other groups in supporting legislative activities. We have organized a new initiative to connect members doing research with other members that are in academia in hopes that they will be able to network and help each other in their research efforts.

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

Looking ahead, AAOHN strives to meet the needs of its membership through a strong products and services offered through our AAOHN Academy. We outsourced our IT platform to a vendor who could deliver our programs quickly to members. We have just launched our Year of Diabetes which will feature 6 webinars, diabetes education at our national conference in 2016 and tools for use by members at their worksites. We are developing an on-line Respiratory Protection Program for all nurses. Work is being done to develop on-line review programs for certification exams in occupational health nursing and case management. Our Legislative Affairs committee continues to get grassroots engagement in policy initiatives. AAOHN will continue to develop strong communications, webinars, and tools for individual member engagement. Plans are underway for the 2016 conference to be held April 13-16 in Jacksonville, Florida. In addition to the face-to-face meeting, AAOHN will offer a virtual conference to members who are not able to travel to the meeting. Great focus on gaining new members (HUG-Help Us Grow campaign) and retaining current members (texting and voice messaging) continue. We have developed a Corporate Membership for sponsors as well as an Organizational membership for companies to be able to pay for large groups of nurses conveniently. We are marketing these memberships.

### **Current Interests:**

- Virtual Conference
- Membership Campaigns--New and Retain
- Marketing Organization
- Technology-apps

**American Holistic Nurses Association**

100 SE 9th Street, Suite 3A

Topeka, Kansas 66612

**President:** Carole Ann Drick PhD, RN, AHN-BC

**President Elect:** Lourdes Lorenz MSN-IH, RN, AHN-BC, HTPa

**Executive Director:** Terri Roberts JD, RN

**Past Year's Progress:**

- Increased visibility for holism in healthcare by increasing participation in advocacy efforts including joining the Integrative Healthcare Policy Consortium, and the Coalition to Transform Advanced Care. Additionally, an AHNA advocacy committee was established to increase AHNA's participation in advocacy efforts on behalf of nursing and holistic nurses.
- Maintained public relations efforts to increase the awareness of holistic nursing within the profession, increased press release production and media outreach efforts dramatically. A Holistic Nursing introduction power point presentation that is scripted for use by nursing faculty is in final editing and should be sent out for use by nursing faculty by Fall 2015 to assist with educating nursing students about holistic nursing.
- Piloting two regional conferences in the Fall of 2015 to promote "self-care" at the request of membership, to increase access to national speakers outside of our annual meeting in June annually.
- Increased membership benefits for 2015 by making our Beginnings Magazine CNE articles, 6 annually, free to members; and offering access to all CNE Webinar content, free to members as well.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Be a leading advocate for holism in health care
- Produce training packages for members on implementing holistic nursing models into personal & organizational practice
- Develop and disseminate core competency tool kits.

**Current Interests:**

Improved and alternative strategies for Pain Relief to be implemented by nurses, including complimentary non-medical interventions.

**American Medical Informatics Association**

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**President:** NEW REP - Charlotte Weaver, RN, MSPH, PhD, FAAN

**President Elect:**

**Executive Director:** Karen Greenwood, COO

**Past Year's Progress:**

- AMIA is widely recognized nationally and internationally as the major U.S. based professional society for over 5,200 health care professionals, informatics researchers and thought-leaders in biomedicine, health care, and science. The rapid changes in health care have also made AMIA a growing source of programming in applied clinical informatics.
- AMIA's members – primarily in the U.S. with 10 percent international membership representing more 65 countries – belong to a dynamic informatics community where they actively share best practices and research for the advancement of the field and practical clinical application. Members are subject matter experts and are dedicated to increasing the role of informatics in patient care, public health, teaching, research, administration, and related policy
- 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.

**New Year's Focus:**

- AMIA continues to pursue steps towards developing Advanced Interprofessional Informatics Certification. Recognition of the certification path for board certified physicians is one step forward for the profession. It does not represent the totality of AMIA's certification-related activities. AMIA recognizes that the opportunity for subspecialty certification is relevant to a majority of its members. An equivalent level of certification is being pursued for informaticians who have equivalent competencies. More information can be found on this topic on the AMIA website
- AMIA will also continue to co-manage the Alliance for Nursing Informatics with HIMSS. ANI represents thousands of nurses and brings together 24 nursing informatics groups that function separately at local, regional, national and international levels.
- ANI is the voice of nursing informatics.

**Current Interests:**

AMIA's Nursing Informatics Working Group, in addition to serving as a co-sponsor of the Alliance for Nursing Informatics (ANI, the united voice of nursing informatics) will continue to promote programs and services that are core to our mission--the belief that the application of nursing informatics knowledge is empowering for all healthcare practitioners in achieving patient centered care.

AMIA NIWG members 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. Core areas of our work include:

- Concept representation and standards to support evidence-based practice, research, and education
- Data and communication standards to build an interoperable national data infrastructure
- Research methodologies to disseminate new knowledge into practice
- Information presentation and retrieval approaches to support safe patient centered care
- Information and communication technologies to address inter-professional work flow needs across all care venues
- Vision and management for the development, design, and implementation of communication and information technology
- Definition of healthcare policy to advance the public's health

**American Nephrology Nurses' Association**

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**President:** Cindy Richards, BSN, RN, CNN  
**President Elect:** Sheila Doss-McQuitty, MBA, BSN, CNN, CCRA  
**Executive Director:** Michael Cunningham, BS, CAE

**Past Year's Progress:**

- Conducted successful education programs for members including our 46th National Symposium in Orlando, FL and annual Fall Meeting in Austin, TX
- Conducted a successful face-to-face leadership training program for chapter volunteers and national leaders - ANNA's Volunteer Leaders Workshop
- Conducted a successful Health Policy Workshop in Washington, DC to discuss health policy issues and meet face-to-face with Members of Congress to advocate for nephrology nurses and our patients.
- Provided free monthly CNE opportunities for members
- Published the Core Curriculum for Nephrology Nursing, 6th Edition, in both print and electronic formats
- Published electronic editions of Nephrology Nursing Journal and ANNA Update
- Published twelve online CExpress education programs which are concise educational programs
- Published a comprehensive education program in seven modules – Chronic Kidney Disease: What Every Nurse Should Know
- Published several TRIP sheets (Translating Research into Practice) as resources for evidence-based practice
- Collaborated with the nephrology community to help shape health care reform to benefit our patient population
- Coordinated outreach programs designed to educate legislators about kidney disease including Virtual Lobby Day
- Celebrated "Nephrology Nurses Week" in September
- Awarded over \$100,000 in Scholarships, Awards and Grants to members.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Expand online education and resources
- Develop resources for Nephrology Nurse Sensitive Outcomes
- Be an influential voice at the table and advocate for nephrology nursing
- Develop and mentor current and new leaders within the organization
- Focus on recruitment and retention of nephrology nurses within the specialty and within the association
- Help shape Quality Improvement Programs (QIP) for facilities that provide renal dialysis services to Medicare beneficiaries.

**Current Interests:**

- Leadership development and creative ways to increase volunteer participation, motivate volunteers, and ensure leadership succession
- Leveraging technology to enhance membership services
- Membership development and trends

## American Nurses Association

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**President:** Pamela Cipriano, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN

**President Elect:**

**Executive Director:** Debbie Hatmaker, PhD, RN, FAAN

### Past Year's Progress:

- ANA designated 2015 the “Year of Ethics” in honor of the release of the new *Code of Ethics for Nurses with Interpretive Statements*—the Code’s first update in 14 years. A sampling of activities include advocacy on behalf of a Navy nurse who refused to participate in the force-feeding of detainees at Guantanamo Bay, the 2015 ANA Ethics Symposium, the National Nurses Week theme, publication of the *Guide to the Code of Ethics for Nurses with Interpretive Statements*, and the theme and Dialogue Forum topic at the 2015 Membership Assembly.
- Brought together representatives from around the country at the third ANA Membership Assembly. Representatives elected Dr. Ernest James Grant of the North Carolina Nurses Association as vice president. Re-elected for second terms were Treasurer Giny Harshey-Meade of the Indiana State Nurses Association and Director-At-Large, Recent Graduate, Jesse Kennedy of the Oregon Nurses Association.
- ANA President Pamela Cipriano was named among the “top 100 people in health care” and one of the “top 25 women in health care” by *Modern Healthcare* magazine.
- ANA joined the American Nurses Foundation (ANF) and the American Academy of Nursing (AAN) as founding members of the Nurses on Boards Coalition (NOBC). ANA CEO Dr. Marla Weston is a co-chair of the coalition and its steering committee. The co-chairs of NOBC workgroup committees include ANF Executive Director Kate Judge, North Carolina Nurses Association Executive Director Tina Gordon and AAN President Diana Mason.
- Provided input and testimony to the Committee for the Evaluation of the Impact of the Institute of Medicine Report *The Future of Nursing: Leading Change, Advancing Health*.
- Key publications and position statements:
  - In addition to the revised *Code of Ethics for Nurses with Interpretive Statements*, ANA also updated another essential document: *Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice*. Revisions include a broader definition of nursing and a new professional performance standard related to “culturally congruent practice.”
  - Incivility, bullying, and workplace violence position statement takes a zero-tolerance policy and contains information useful for all RNs and their employers.
  - Immunization position statement calls for all individuals, including RNs, to be immunized against vaccine-preventable diseases.
  - Nurse fatigue position statement calls for stronger collaboration between RNs and their employers to reduce the risks of nurse fatigue for patients and nurses.
  - Developed a joint position statement with the Organization for Associate Degree Nursing: “Academic Progression to Meet the Needs of the Registered Nurse, the Health Care Consumer, and the U.S. Health Care System.”
- Workgroup currently underway is addressing “barriers to RN scope of practice.”
- Conferences
  - In conjunction with the 2014 ANA Staffing Conference, ANA hosted a staffing summit with leading experts. This conversation informed a white paper on nurse staffing, which ANA commissioned from Avalere Health. The findings of this paper, which is scheduled for release fall 2015, strongly support the connection between staffing and numerous quality and safety outcomes. ANA is developing a roadmap for further work on staffing, and plans to commission a second paper focused on the business case for staffing.
  - The 2015 ANA Quality Conference welcomed 800 leaders; Secretary of Veterans Affairs Robert McDonald delivered the keynote address, in which he called for full practice authority for APRNs across the VHA.
  - Recognizing the link between staffing and quality, ANA will combine events in 2016 to host one ANA Conference on the topic of “Connecting Quality, Safety and Staffing to Improve Outcomes” March 9-11, 2016.
- ANA continued federal advocacy and support of legislation on nurse staffing, safe patient handling & mobility, APRNs and home health care, improving veterans’ access to APRN services, and RNs in nursing homes. ANA also celebrated passage of “SGR fix” legislation, which includes provisions that enhance nurses’ roles as providers and improve their ability to provide timely services to Medicare beneficiaries
- To help combat the most commonly reported hospital-acquired condition—catheter-associated urinary tract infections (CAUTI)—ANA developed a free CAUTI Prevention Tool. This streamlined, evidenced-based clinical resource was created in conjunction with leading experts and is listed as a resource on the CDC’s CAUTI website
- ANA partnered with AAN on the Care Coordination Task Force to advance policy related to payment and measurement of care coordination services provided by nurses. ANA is working with the academy to disseminate the task force’s resulting report, *Policy Agenda for Nurse-Led Care Coordination*, to key stakeholders

- Published a number of new titles on topics relevant to nurses in all roles and settings on NursesBooks.org, including: *Errors of Omission: How Missed Nursing Care Imperils Patients*; *Nurses Making Policy: From Bedside to Boardroom*; *Data Makes the Difference*; *Not Part of the Job: How to Prevent Violence in the Workplace*; *Information Overload: Framework, Tips, and Tools to Manage in Complex Healthcare Environments*; and *Bounce Forward: The Extraordinary Resilience of Nurse Leadership*.
- Strong gains for 2015 puts ANA in the top 10 percent of associations for membership growth.

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

- In accordance with the ANA 2014-16 Strategic Plan, ANA is making progress on five goals:
  - Promoting a safe, ethical work environment as well as the health and wellness of nurses in all settings
  - Advancing the quality and safety of patient care in a transforming health care system
  - Optimize professional nursing practice and the quality of health care through leadership development and by ensuring full use of the knowledge and skills of RNs and APRNs
  - Aggressively grow membership by acquiring, engaging and retaining members; strengthening the membership value proposition and increasing ANA's capacity to deliver customized experiences
  - Strengthen constituent and state nurses associations and the ANA Enterprise through mutual partnerships
- Additional areas of focus for ANA in the coming year include:
  - Aligning the breadth and depth of the ANA Enterprise entities
  - Enhancing member engagement, with a special focus on early-career nurses and recent graduates
  - Promoting a culture of safety in health care
  - Improving the health of the nation by promoting healthy nurses, and
  - Launching a Professional Issues Panel on hospice and palliative care.

### **Current Interests:**

- Advancing nurse leadership and raising the visibility of nurses as strategic thinkers and thought leaders.
- Achieving the "quadruple aim" of better health, better care, and lower costs with the additional focus on care for the provider.
- Advocating for a system where nurses can practice to the full extent of their education and training.
- Ensuring quality measures capture the work of nurses, and advocating for public reporting of nurse-sensitive quality measures.
- Leading the national dialogue related to appropriate nurse staffing.
- Strengthening nursing's voice in the National Quality Enterprise, especially in the area of technology and informatics.
- Partnering with consumer- and patient-advocacy groups.



**American Nursing Informatics Association**  
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**Past Year's Progress:**

- Chapter formation and growth
- Corporate membership growth
- Monthly webinars with CEUs
- Annual conference surpassed 500 attendees - our highest ever!
- Higher level publication transition from newsletter

**New Year's Focus:**

- Continued Chapter growth with better infrastructure
- Financial stability
- Certification prep for members
- Return on investment for members
- Membership growth
- Begin move to a professional journal
- Increased intellectual property/products

**Current Interests:**

- Maintaining interest and investment among members
- Membership growth, marketing
- Growing leadership from membership
- Expanding chapters while maintaining standards

## **American Organization of Nurse Executives**

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**President:** Linda Burnes Bolton, DrPH, RN, FAAN

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

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

- AONE held its inaugural Advocacy Day on June 3 in Washington, D.C. Attendees urged legislators to fund Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs at \$244 million and the National Institute for Nursing Research at \$150 million for fiscal year 2016. As part of the event, AONE recognized Rep. David Joyce (R-Ohio) with the Friend of AONE Award and Rep. Lois Capps (D-Calif.) with the AONE Special Award. The 2016 AONE Advocacy Day has been scheduled for May 18, 2016.
- AONE continues to serve as the national program office (NPO) for the Academic Progression in Nursing (APIN) grant initiative awarded to the Tri-Council in 2012. The nine grantees include CA, HI, MT, MA, NM, NY, NC, TX and WA. All nine states continue to make significant strides towards increasing the percentage of baccalaureate prepared RNs to 80 percent by 2020.
- This year, AONE offered numerous educational programs to chief nursing officers, directors, managers, and emerging nurse leaders. A new leadership lab was launched, which is a blended learning program for nurse managers. The 48th AONE Annual Meeting was held in April in Phoenix with more than 3,000 attendees
- In April, the AONE Foundation for Nursing Leadership Research and Education named recipients of the 2015 research seed grant program. The Foundation also offered several education programs including the Nurse Manager Fellowship, Nurse Manager Institute and Emerging Nurse Leader Institute.
- In collaborative efforts, AONE, in partnership with Edison Nation Medical, launched an innovation search for health care product ideas designed to improve and enhance patient care. AONE and the American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nursing (AAACN) collaborated to outline how nurse leaders in inpatient and post-acute/outpatient settings should approach their roles to enhance development of care coordination and transition management across the continuum of care. AONE and ENA presented the AONE and ENA Guiding Principles on Mitigating Violence in the Workplace at the International Council of Nurses 2015 Conference in Seoul, Republic of Korea in May.

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

- AONE mission: To shape health care through innovative and expert nursing leadership
- AONE vision: Global nursing leadership-one voice advancing health
- AONE 2016-2017 strategic priorities
  - Priority 1: Develop core competencies of nurse leaders across the care continuum to support current and emerging roles.
  - Priority 2: Support the design and implementation of care delivery and population health management models across the care continuum
  - Priority 3: Support the provision of safe, quality care in delivery systems grounded in healthful practice environments.
  - Priority 4: Communicate the value of nursing in health care across the continuum to all stakeholders
  - Optimize the operational effectiveness of AONE.

### **Current Interests:**

- Inter-professional education and models
- Expanding the international voice of nursing
- Nurse leader representation on boards
- Nurse leaders beyond the hospital, across the continuum of care
- Role of nursing in population health management
- Workforce planning and new roles for the future
- Maintaining organizational agility given the pace of change
- Member and customer communication vehicles, including social media and mobile devices
- Workforce violence
- Data collection and management for association operations

## **American Psychiatric Nurses Association**

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**President Elect:** Mary Ann Nihart, MA, APRN, PMHCNS-BC, PMHNP-BC

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

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

- Over the past year, APNA completed the development of a new certificate program called the APNA Transitions in Practice (ATP) program. Launched in July 2015, ATP is an educational program which delivers the foundational psychiatric-mental health (PMH) knowledge that RNs need as they transition in to mental health practice settings. Targeting new graduates, nurses returning to practice, and nurses changing clinical areas, this program hopes to help build the psychiatric-mental health nursing workforce and ensure the success of nurses new to PMH. It offers 15 continuing nursing education contact hours through a new online platform which features on-demand faculty presentations, case studies, a glossary, references, and discussion forum.
- In March 2015, APNA released the first competencies for psychiatric mental-health RNs on managing and assessing suicide risk: APNA Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Essential Competencies for Assessment and Management of Individuals at Risk for Suicide. A workgroup of APNA members with expertise in suicide prevention adapted these nine competencies from existing national competencies for behavioral health professionals, integrating nursing-specific frameworks and approaches. The workgroup also developed a corresponding curriculum, Competency Based Training for Suicide Prevention, which was successfully piloted in June 2015 in Baltimore, MD. The curriculum will also be offered at the APNA 29th Annual Conference on October 28th in Lake Buena Vista, FL.
- Additionally, the Recovery to Practice (RTP) curriculum developed by APNA through a SAMHSA initiative during 2011-2014 has been piloted across the country and is now being leased out to various hospital systems, nursing leadership, APNA chapters, etc. for delivery by trained facilitators. APNA has provided a number of facilitator trainings throughout the year as well.
- APNA conferences continue to see growth and success throughout 2015. Our 13th Annual Clinical Psychopharmacology Institute in June had the largest number of attendees in the conferences history (518), and we are currently experiencing a 35+% increase in registrations for this year's APNA 29th Annual Conference at Disney's Coronado Springs Resort in October.

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

- Over the next year, APNA will continue to be committed to assuring recovery for those with mental health and substance use disorders, particularly our US service members, veterans, and their families, while working toward nurses' enhanced ability to assess and manage the care of people at risk for suicide.
- Regarding the Transitions in Practice certificate program, APNA hopes to continually refine our delivery and evaluation processes for the ATP program, while expanding our reach to nurses in a variety of settings across the country.
- Regarding the Essential Competencies for Assessment and Management of Individuals at Risk for Suicide, APNA member volunteers with varying backgrounds are now collaborating with representatives from the American Association of Critical Care Nurses and the Association of Medical Surgical Nurses to adapt the competencies so they can be applied by nurses providing care in these settings.

### **Current Interests:**

- Addictions
- Suicide
- Recovery
- Workforce
- Integrated Care
- Military

**American Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition**

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**Executive Director:** Debra BenAvram, CAE

**Past Year's Progress:**

A.S.P.E.N. succeeded in having our annual Malnutrition Awareness Week™ listed on the National Health Observances calendar. Additionally, A.S.P.E.N. has written a position paper and has been working with the FDA on the New Opportunities for Verification of Enteral Tube Location Project (NOVEL). NOVEL addresses an important issue that our members face. Currently, there is no universal approach to verification of enteral tube location in pediatrics and misplacement of these feeding tubes into the lung with inadvertent administration of enteral formula into the lung has resulted in death or serious consequences for the pediatric patient. A.S.P.E.N. has also continued its efforts on the ENfit connectors that are being transitioned into hospital and homecare sites to help prevent missed connections.

**New Year's Focus:**

This year, A.S.P.E.N. and its Nutrition Support Nurses Practice Section will continue to focus on the NOVEL project, ENfit connector roll-out, and continuing to have our nurses contribute to the MOSBY skills.

**Current Interests:**

Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition, Malnutrition and Clinical Nutrition.

**American Society of Perianesthesia Nurses**

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**Executive Director:** Kevin Dill

**Past Year's Progress:**

So we can support the research arm of our organization, we have been able to send 6 Joanna Briggs Institute (JBI) scholars to UCSF funded by ASPAN. Our education arm is working on promoting webcasts and webinars to reach more members. Our redi-ref will be in publication this year, a competency based pediatric orientation manual is also close to publication

**New Year's Focus:**

Review our Perianesthesia Nursing Standards, continue support research and are in process of hiring a medical librarian for our scholars. Continue working on new educational programs/seminars to address current clinical topics. Succession planning for our organization's components

**Current Interests:**

- Burn out/Nurse fatigue
- Unwanted Sedation
- Staffing ratios
- OSA

**American Society of Plastic Surgical Nurses**

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**Executive Director:** Lindsay De Santis

**Past Year's Progress:**

The Board held its first Strategic Planning retreat in a decade which resulted in a new mission statement, vision, goals, and plan for the next several years. ASPSN has also activated the Clinical Practice Committee which has published three position statements. Scholarships for continuing education were also established in 2015.

**New Year's Focus:**

ASPSN would like to develop state and regional resources by revisiting the Chapter creation policies.

**Current Interests:**

- Membership Growth
- Membership Retention
- Certification
- Social Media/Communications

**Association for Nursing Professional Development**

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**President Elect:** Christine Wilson, MSN, RN-BC

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**Past Year's Progress:**

ANPD has seen a big increase in membership over the past 12 months. Much of this increase is due to a "10 free to members" webinar series that the association created for its membership. ANPD entered into a partnership with a sponsor to help offset the cost of these webinars and it has proven to be one of the best membership drivers that ANPD has had. ANPD also had record attendance at our 2015 summer convention in Las Vegas and we also saw record sponsorship and exhibit sales. ANPD initiated two research studies this year, "Evidence-based Practice and U.S. Healthcare Outcomes; a national nursing professional development specialists survey" and "NPD Organizational Value Demonstration Project". We have also completed a "Copyright and Creative Commons" online module.

**New Year's Focus:**

ANPD will continue to focus on membership growth and produce new educational offerings. We will be completing a new "Frontline Nurse Leader Development Program". This is an online eight module program that we will sell to hospitals and institutions. We will also be completing a new "Leadership" text book and another new book that focuses on the legal aspects in Nursing Professional Development.

**Current Interests:**

## **Association for Radiologic & Imaging Nursing**

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**Executive Director:** Bruce Boulter

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

Report to The Alliance 2015 Fall Summit

- The Association for Radiologic & Imaging Nursing (ARIN) was founded in 1981 as the professional organization representing nurses who practice in the diagnostic, neuro/cardiovascular, interventional, ultrasonography, computerized tomography, nuclear medicine, magnetic resonance, and radiation oncology environment
- As radiology nursing has continued to evolve, so has ARIN. To that end, ARIN has made many changes and improvements this year, to be outlined below. We created the New ARIN. We did this first of all by changing management companies with a greater technological capability. This allowed us the ability to establish a virtual educational platform. We conducted our first ever international educational broadcast, which in turn, has also allowed us greater access to more international membership.
- Capnography Task Force formed to create an ARIN Position Statement regarding use of Capnography in the Imaging environment. Once Position Statement is approved, will develop Clinical Practice Guidelines and Standard of Care around Capnography use in the care of patients undergoing procedures in Radiology
- Created a Pedi Task Force to develop modules for radiology nurses working in the pediatric environment
- Hosted seven (7) successful webinars to date, with an expected 10 by years end. Increased viewership by 5000%.
- Will conduct 12 Imaging Review Courses in 2015. An increase of 300% to further educate nurses and technologists alike in radiology practices. The 2 day review course provides 15 radiology specific continuing education hours for RNs and 17.5 hours for Radiology Technologists.
- With enhanced technological improvements, ARIN presented two "virtual" imaging review courses to a hospital in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, training 35 nurses from a multitude of countries
- Utilizing Journal of Radiology Nursing Direct Readings, along with the webinars, we will provide 20+ hours of radiology CE's for members this year
- 2015 Annual Convention: collaborated with the Association of Vascular and Interventional Radiographers (AVIR) for the second year, to present a joint day of education for both memberships
- Task Force developed a Staffing Matrix for the Imaging Environment to be published in a series of white papers, the first to be published in the Journal of Radiology Nursing.
- The Orientation Manual for Radiology Nurses 3rd Edition was released in the first quarter for publication
- Developed a white paper promoting the Radiology Nursing Certification.
- ARIN has partnered with IO 360, an Interventional Oncology On-line Journal. President Elect, Evelyn Wempe and President, Mary Sousa have submitted the first piece for IO 360
- Interventional Oncology 360, is a web-based educational forum for healthcare professionals working with oncology patients in the interventional radiology setting. The benefit of IO360 and ARIN is the continued exposure of the specialty and related radiology nursing care via online publications, blogs and forums.
- Partnered with Synergy for an Interventional Oncology Fall Educational event in Miami Florida November 5-8. This 4 day program consists of 3 days of General IO learning and 1 day of nursing specific topics.
- Increased membership by 11% this year through a number of initiatives including offering education benefits as part of the membership fee, an aggressive mail campaign to past members, and other projects
- Conducted a Nursing Census Survey focusing on the work environments and reporting structure for nurses in Radiology. Radiology Nursing is not tracked by Boards of Nursing, resulting in an unknown number of Radiology nurses working in the US. Additionally, this task force will request Boards of Nursing to add the category of Imaging/Radiology to licensing renewals. First part of the Nursing Census Survey was completed with 600 respondents. The task force will analyze the data and inform on findings.
- Added new social media venues (Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn). Moved from Listserv to Forum to better serve our members, and have increased presence.

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

- Continue to focus on member retention by working with members and strengthening our relationship with our Chapters to better promote the value of ARIN membership.
- Development of an Interventional Oncology curriculum
- Developing a research arm and expanding a research branch within the organization



- April 2-7, 2016, ARIN will be holding our annual Spring Symposium in conjunction with AVIR and SIR in Vancouver, British Columbia. Utilizing our new virtual classroom capabilities, we look to transmit the proceedings back to our membership throughout the country
- Development of an Interventional Oncology curriculum
- We look to grow the number of webinars and direct readings available to our members each year to promote the education of radiology nurses
- Explore possibility of becoming our own CE approver
- Exploring opportunities to work with other nursing specialties to provide education on the care of patients undergoing Radiology Procedures. Currently developing a Webinar for ACCN regarding preparation of patients coming to IR and Post Care considerations.

**Current Interests:**

- Develop learning tracks for our members: Beginner, Advanced for RNs and NP role and Management track.
- Promoting the Radiology Nursing Certification.
- Newly licensed RN in Radiology/New Nurse in Radiology. Currently recruiting Task Force members to evaluate the current practice of hiring newly licensed RNs directly into Radiology Department
- Requesting Boards of Nursing to add the category of Imaging/Radiology to licensing renewals
- Expanding the Webinar offering, launching "Series Based Webinars" on topics such as Safety, Safe Staffing Levels, and other critical topics.

**Association of Occupational Health Professionals in Healthcare**

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**President:** Mry Bliss, RN, COHN

**President Elect:**

**Executive Director:** Annie Wiest

**Past Year's Progress:**

- AOHP has developed a number of position statements that communicate the association's perspective regarding matters of importance related to the health, safety and well-being of healthcare personnel
- Accomplishment:
  - AOHP 2012, 2013 & 2014 Exposure Study of Occupational Practice (EXPO-S.T.O.P.) survey of mucocutaneous blood exposures among healthcare workers. The AOHP 2011 EXPO-S.T.O.P. survey was the first nationwide database collection. Prior to EXPO-S.T.O.P. 2011, the U.S. had no nationwide database for citing or benchmarking sharps injuries and mucocutaneous exposure.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Transition current quarterly AOHP Journal to a more defined research and best practice resource for AOHP members and others in occupational health communities in healthcare settings
- Increase virtual resources for members, including education, "tools for your work" and networking opportunities for remote members
- Communicate and market to the Occupational Health Professional in Healthcare the importance of professional association membership to career/leadership excellence.

**Current Interests:**

- Occupational Health/Healthcare Professionals (OHP/HCP) in Healthcare Settings
- Confidentiality of Employee Health Records
- Injury and Illness Prevention Programs
- Safe Patient Handling
- Influenza Vaccination of Healthcare Workers
- Respiratory Protective
- Workplace violence
- TB

**Association of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition Nurses**

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**President:** Diane Kocovsky, PNP-C  
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**Executive Director:**

**Past Year's Progress:**

Our clinical practice committee created 2 telephone triage protocols, and is working on creation of a Hepatology e-learning module. We have meet with key leaders to address the process to pursue formal certification for our organization, and have created an ad hoc committee to work towards this lofty goal.

**New Year's Focus:**

We will move forward with establishing scopes and standards which is the first step to formal certification. Once this is secured we will likely pursue ANCC certification process.

**Current Interests:**

- General gastroenterology
- Pediatric Obesity
- Pediatric Nutrition
- Inflammatory Bowel Disease
- Hepatology

**Association of periOperative Registered Nurses**

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**Past Year's Progress:**

- Submitted eight evidence based guidelines to National Guideline Clearing House for inclusion in the data base.
- Developed new website - to be launched 10-15.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Strategic Projects for 2016:
  - Primary resources being directed toward goal of Digital by 2016
    - 1. Increasing online education offerings to appeal to AORN's target audiences.
    - 2. Assess membership business model including dues structure
    - 3. Strategic focus on healthcare reform, implementation standardized data collection, interoperability of the EMR, and representation at the national level.

**Current Interests:**

- Working with facilities to develop membership and education packages to meet annual competency requirements
- Gamification apps for AORN education material
- Exploring membership models to meet membership needs
- RFP to replace AMS.

**Association of Rehabilitation Nurses**

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**Past Year's Progress:**

ARN launched the new patient focused website, [www.Restartrecovery.org](http://www.Restartrecovery.org), to provide patients and families with answers to common questions when starting their rehabilitation journey. ARN also developed behavioral scenarios for the Rehabilitation Nursing Competency model to be used in educating student nurses and in the clinical setting.

**New Year's Focus:**

ARN is planning a Rehab Summit as a forum to hear various perspectives on the future of rehabilitation in the areas of policy, quality, and care transitions. The summit will lay the groundwork for the ARN Board's 2016 strategic planning endeavor.

**Current Interests:**

Care transitions, CMS bundled payment demonstrations, cancer rehabilitation and prehabilitation, success strategies for commercial support

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

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**Past Year's Progress:**

- The Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses (AWHONN) is the foremost authority advancing practice in women's health and newborn nursing care through advocacy, research and the application of evidence.
- PANELS: In 2013 AWHONN released a set of draft Nursing Care Quality Measures for public comment. These measures were refined based on the public comments. CWISH and NPIC are partnering with AWHONN to begin testing in the Fall of 2015 the two AWHONN skin-to-skin draft quality measures. These measures compliment the breastfeeding measures
- AWHONN and AMCHP co-convened the Measuring Nurses Impact on Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Expert Panel. The expert panel is developing recommendations for data abstraction elements that will be piloted by state maternal mortality review committees.
- AWHONN National Study of Perinatal RN Staffing and Outcomes
- A multi-step, multi-year national research study to study the relationship between nurse sensitive outcomes and perinatal RN staffing began in 2013
- AWHONN Obstetric Emergency Improvement Initiative
- The Maternal-Fetal Triage Index (MFTI) is under development. Content validity testing and inter-rater reliability testing and analysis is complete. The papers have been submitted for publication.
- The MFTI algorithm and education module will be released in the Fall
- Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Guidelines (EBGs)
- AWHONN's Evidence-Based Clinical Practice Guidelines provide comprehensive clinical practice recommendations for specific types of patient care. The current guideline titles are:
  - Breastfeeding Support: Prenatal Care through the First Year – 3rd Edition released in June 2015
  - AWHONN Educational Conferences and Courses
    - June 15-17th, 2015, Long Beach, CA ([www.awhonnconvention.org](http://www.awhonnconvention.org)) was very successful. We had more exhibitors than any previous years and our usual number of attendees
    - The 5th annual day-long Leadership Summit on Perinatal Staffing and Quality had the largest number of attendees today.
    - This Fall AWHONN is offering Critical Care Obstetrics and Advanced Fetal Heart Monitoring courses. These courses will be held on September 24th and 25th (Baltimore) and October 22nd and 23rd (Las Vegas).

**New Year's Focus:**

- Postpartum Hemorrhage Project Multi-State 3 Year Initiative ([www.pphproject.org](http://www.pphproject.org))
- The initiative was launched in 3 geographic locations (DC, GA, NJ). There are 58 hospitals participating in the PPH Project and approximately 134,000 women a year will be impacted by this effort. AWHONN's Goals of the initiative are to improve
- Recognition of blood loss by shifting from estimation of blood loss to quantification of blood loss and improving risk assessment on admission, pre-birth, and post-birth
- Readiness to respond to obstetric hemorrhage by having policies and procedures and running drills
- Response to obstetric hemorrhage by debriefing after obstetric hemorrhage events
- State-wide baseline survey is being fielded in 147 birthing hospitals in DC, GA, NJ

**Current Interests:**

- AWHONN's Postpartum Hemorrhage Preparedness Hospital-Based National Benchmarking Survey
- A free on-line state and national benchmarking tool that measures hospital-level PPH preparedness
- A custom PPH Preparedness report will also make it possible for hospital leaders to compare their hospital's preparedness score to the scores of hospitals within their state (as long as there are 10 or more hospitals in that state) and with all hospitals in the national database
- Hospital leaders will be provided with individual sub-scores to help their organization understand their preparedness scores as it relates to the categories of recognition of, readiness for, and response to PPH. This information can be used to develop a custom improvement plan
- The survey is available and can be accessed in the member portion of the [awhonn.org](http://awhonn.org) web site. The survey period is from July 1 - June 30 of each year

- Empowering Women to Obtain Needed Care
- AWHONN is developing standardized key messages for postpartum women to promote awareness and understanding of the warning signs and symptoms of obstetric hemorrhage, severe hypertension, and venous thromboembolism prior to discharge.
- AWHONN's Fetal Heart Monitoring Program
- Revised position statement on Fetal Heart Monitoring. The AWHONN Board of Directors approved a revised position statement addressing fetal heart monitoring. The revised position statement will be available online in the August 2015 and will be published in the Sept/Oct issue of Journal of Obstetric, Gynecologic and Neonatal Nursing
- The 5th edition Fetal Heart Monitoring Principles and Practices book was released a few days before convention and was rolled out at convention. All of the copies of the print book taken to convention were sold on site. The print version of the book can be purchased directly from Kendall Hunt and from the AWHONN book store
- This book has also been released as an electronic book which can be purchased directly from Kendall Hunt, our publisher. The electronic book is offered as a subscription model with a one-year subscription.

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

- This past year, CGFNS continued to experience significant growth in its global reach in multiple dimensions. Guided by its strategic vision of advancing nursing education and global mobility of the nursing workforce worldwide, the organization capitalized on its core strengths in educational assessment and in research and development to meet global nursing needs within the broader framework of human resources for health.
  - 1. CGFNS acquired The Alliance for Ethical International Recruitment Practices to enhance its advocacy role in the migration of health care professionals. CGFNS is honored to provide stewardship for the Code for ethical international recruitment practices
  - 2. CGFNS launched the National Nursing Assessment Service (NNAS) to evaluate the nursing education of international applicants across the provinces, with the exception of Quebec, in Canada
  - 3. CGFNS' research profile featured a funded project under the Decent Work Across Borders initiative of the International Labour Organization (ILO). This research included a comparative study of nursing education in the Philippines and that of Norway, Denmark, and Finland. A parallel study was conducted involving India and Norway.
  - 4. CGFNS provided a webinar on document forensics to the state boards of nursing.
  - 5. CGFNS continued to share its knowledge and expertise at national and international venues including the Council of Licensure, Enforcement, and Regulation (CLEAR) in the United States, the Philippines Nursing Association Conference in the Philippines, and ILO dissemination meetings in Belgium, Norway, and the Philippines.
  - 6. CGFNS staff contributed articles to the profession via publications such as the Journal of Transcultural Nursing and the Journal of Nursing Regulation.

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

Looking to the future, CGFNS International, Inc. plans to achieve the following goals:

- To continue to provide webinars on global nursing education to the nursing community in the United States
- To continue with its research and its professional services to advance nursing education worldwide
- To continue to explore and to develop new products to meet the needs of a global nursing workforce.
- To continue to broaden and deepen our core strengths in credential assessment.
- To articulate the nuances and complexities associated with global labor migration and to present these issues for discussion and proactive action.
- To continue to expand its intellectual capital and to contribute to the field.

### **Current Interests:**

- CGFNS International has a truly global character in terms of its historic roots, its current engagements, and its continuing aspiration to serve the nursing profession in its evolving identity against a global landscape.
- We continue to be curious and engaged regarding the global evolution for the healthcare professions.
- Topics of interest include human resources for health, global labor migration issues, violence in the workplace, human trafficking, emerging models for credential evaluation, comparative education analysis, and ethical practices in international recruitment.



## Emergency Nurses Association

915 Lee Street  
Des Plaines, Illinois 60016

**President:** Matthew F. Powers, MS, BSN, RN, MICP, CEN  
**President Elect:** Kathleen E. Carlson, MSN, RN, CEN, FAEN  
**Executive Director:**

### Past Year's Progress:

- ENA Accomplishments 2014-2015
  - Publications:
    - Toolkits (2): Emergency Department Workplace Injury Prevention (EDWIP) and Community Injury Prevention
    - Naloxone Education Toolkit for mitigation of heroin overdose developed
    - Topic Briefs (3): Care of Behavioral Health Patients; Collaborative Care for the Older Adult; Compassion Fatigue
    - Translation into Practice Resource: Long Backboard Use for Spinal Motion Restriction
    - Critical Care Patients Boarded in the Emergency Department Practice Resource
    - Position Statements (6): Disaster and Emergency Preparedness for All Hazards; Care of Patients with Chronic/Persistent Pain in the Emergency Setting; Use of Protocols in the Emergency Setting; Immunizations; Human Trafficking Patient Awareness in the Emergency Setting; Facilitating the Interfacility Transfer of Emergency Care Patients
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    - Began revision of Emergency Nursing Core Curriculum, expected publication date Sept 2017
  - Education
    - Partnered with CDC and ACEP in development of "Identify, Isolate, Inform" algorithm as a standard triage screening tool
    - Participated on ACEP's "Ebola Expert Panel"(retitled "Epidemic Expert Panel")

- Participated in expert script review for CDC/Johns Hopkins Ebola training videos
- Published Topic Brief: "Ebola Virus Disease"
- Developed online learning module: "Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) - Early Identification, Early Response"
- Developed dedicated webpage with Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) resources
- Collaborated with AHA on AHRQ-funded project: On the CUSP: Stop CAUTI
- Participated on monthly coaching calls and quarterly office hours to support ongoing education and training for state cohorts
- Provided mentors for "Project Protect"-national infection prevention fellowship
- Published in JEN: "To Foley or Not To Foley: Emergency Nurses Perceptions of Clinical Decision Making in the Use of Urinary Catheters in the Emergency Department"
- Developed one-hour "CAUTI Prevention" online learning module for free CE
- Developed online training module on CAUTI, funded by AHRQ
- Created online modular format for TNCC/ENPC Instructor course, currently in production
- Creating new online CEN Review Course, following new CEN blueprint, currently in production
- Completed online module on Chest X-ray Interpretation for new APN eLearning series
- Second module in APN eLearning series: Suturing Skills is near completion
- Completed revision of Elsevier version of CEN Review course (ENCR)
- Nearly completed revision of Elsevier version of Pediatric CEN Review Course (PENCR)
- Completed re-accreditation of Provider Unit for continuing education from American Nurses Credentialing Center
- To begin revision of Emergency Nursing Pediatric Course, editor chosen
- Applied for grant funding for an online geriatric education program geared toward geriatric centers

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

- Institute for Quality, Safety, and Injury Prevention (IQSIP)
- Emergency Nursing Scope and Standards of Practice – revise
- Pediatric Readiness initiatives - collaborate with EMSC
- Geriatric Readiness initiatives - collaborate with Hartford Institute
- Healthcare Reform: Innovations in emergency care delivery with focus on quality and safety
- ED manager's survivor guide
- ED leadership and mentoring
- Healthy nurse and work environment Institute for Emergency Nursing Education (IENE)
- Purchase new learning management system to enhance capabilities and improve user experience
- Expand digital and social media presence
- Create process for electronic submission of documents for external users Institute for Emergency Nursing Research (IENR)
- Mixed methods study on the effect of fatigue in emergency nurses launched in June; currently in data analysis. Qualitative data to be collected at annual conference.
- Mixed methods study of barriers and facilitators to full APRN practice in the ED launched in July; quantitative data in data analysis. Qualitative data to be collected at annual conference
- Qualitative exploration of perceptions of safe staffing in emergency settings to be conducted at annual conference
- Triage dataset study to be conducted in two phases; qualitative data to be collected at annual conference. Quantitative chart review to begin fall of 2015 Institute for Emergency Nursing Advanced Practice (IENAP)
- Development of advanced practice eLearning series.

#### **Current Interests:**

- Disaster preparedness and response
- Emerging infectious diseases
- Workplace violence
- Fatigue in emergency department nurses
- Advanced practice emergency department nursing

## **Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association**

One Penn Center West Ste. 425  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15276

**President:** Joy Buck, PhD, RN

**President Elect:** Virginia (Ginger) Marshall, ACNP-BC, ACHPN, FPCN

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

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

- In October 2014, HPNA in conjunction with HPCC and HPNF announced our "Advancing Expert Care Campaign," which focused on the 6 priorities listed below. Throughout 2015, HPNA has focused on initiatives to support these priorities
- On-going evaluation and research into the educational needs of hospice and palliative professionals
- Designing programs, courses, and curriculum to advance expert care in serious illness
- Advancing research into best practices of hospice and palliative care
- Developing nursing leadership programs at the local and national levels
- Enhancing nursing competence through certification
- Ongoing research into the correlation between nursing certification and patient outcomes Throughout 2015, HPNA has worked to continue to develop IT platform enhancements implemented in 2014. These include 4 new membership on-line communities and an HPNA app.

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

- Continue to enhance and expand IT capabilities
- Develop and implement educational programs and services based on our new Education Strategic Plan
- Evaluate chapter structure
- Continue to submit nominations for nurses to serve on national boards, committees and panels
- HPNA will work with ANA as a Co-sponsor on a new Professional Issues Panel on Palliative and Hospice Care. HPNA will continue to work with ANA and interested OA members to advance both primary and specialty palliative nursing in order to enhance patient access to quality palliative care.
- Concluding Comments: HPNA continues to focus our efforts around our Pillars of Excellence of Education, Leadership, Advocacy, and Research.

### **Current Interests:**

- Ensuring all individuals and their families have access to primary palliative care whenever and wherever they need it and the availability of referral to specialty palliative care as needed.
- Ensure all nurses have education on primary palliative care.
- Advocacy initiatives to promote nurses being included in local, regional and national boards, committees and panels
- Education and leadership programs for nurses.

**Infusion Nurses Society**  
315 Norwood Park South  
Norwood, Massachusetts 02062

**President:** Cheryl Dumont, PhD, RN, CRNI  
**President Elect:** Richelle Hamblin, MSN, RN, CRNI, RN-BC  
**Executive Director:** Mary Alexander, MA, RN, CRNI, CAE, FAAN

**Past Year's Progress:**

We have spent a good deal of 2015 focusing on developing a corporate membership program geared towards the non-acute care setting. More and more infusions are being delivered in settings other than the hospital and it is imperative that the clinicians responsible for these therapies have the knowledge and skills necessary. Membership in INS enables these clinicians to have access to educational resources and solutions.

**New Year's Focus:**

Development and delivery of online educational resources.

**Current Interests:**

- Affordable Care Act
- Online learning
- Infusion standards of practice
- Infusion delivery in non acute settings

**International Association for Clinical Research Nurses**

461 Cochran Road  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15228

**President:** Liza Behrens MSN, RN, CCRC  
**President Elect:** Margaret McCabe PhD, RN, PNP  
**Executive Director:**

**Past Year's Progress:**

This year we will have accomplished a long-standing goal of disseminating a draft of our scopes and standards for clinical research nursing to our membership for review and comment. This will take place at our upcoming annual meeting scheduled in October. Professional development is a core value of our organization and part of our mission, to that end we have successfully collaborated with international organizations to conduct training with clinical research nurses in China for a second year in a row. We have also begun investing in the professional development of our Board so that we can go from good to great. Last but not least we have restructured and supported committees to promote upcoming organizational goals.

**New Year's Focus:**

This next year our organization is in general planning to height awareness of the role of clinical research nursing by focusing on publication of scopes and standards, development of a core curriculum for clinical research nursing and establishment of a foundation to support evidence based practice.

**Current Interests:**

- We would like to identify, reach and count nurses who perform clinical research nursing duties in the US and abroad.
- We would like to collaborate with other nursing organizations to learn how to grow our professional nursing organization through strong board leadership and efficient management.

**International Association of Forensic Nurses**

6755 Business Parkway, Ste 303

Elkridge, Maryland 21075

**President:** Kimberly Womack, DHSc, ARNP-BC, SANE-A, CEN

**President Elect:** Dolores Krebs, MS, APRN, FNP, ANP, SANE-A, SANE-P, NYSAFE, FAANP

**Executive Director:** Carey Goryl, MSW, CAE

**Past Year's Progress:**

- The Association finished the Forensic Nurse Core Curriculum which is now at the publisher for release December 2, 2015.
- Our Advocacy work centered on campus response to sexual violence as well as the Forensic Sciences Crime Bill
- Topical areas focused this year on developing protocols for nurses in the assessment and evaluation of strangulation as well as a position statement on the role of healthcare in administering forensic exams on suspects.
- The Association issued clarifying guidance on the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Education Guidelines to assist local trainers in their understanding and minimize occurrences of ineligible SANE-A or SANE-P candidates. These Guidelines, along with all of IAFN's Education Guidelines are free to the public
- We were awarded a grant from the Office on Violence Against Women to draft a new protocol on providing Sexual Assault Forensic Exams for the Pediatric Patient. We continue our work with Indian Health Services in the provision of all their sexual assault and domestic violence healthcare training.
- We provided education and technical assistance about the National Protocol for Sexual Assault Medical Forensic Examinations of Adults and Adolescents as well as provided education surrounding sustainable forensic programs teaching basic management skills and sharing tools.
- Our Commission for Forensic Nursing Certification developed policies to expand its scope for offering Certificate Exams. We continue to support the Advanced Forensic Nurse Board Credential through the portfolio method offered by ANCC.
- The Journal of Forensic Nursing received notice that it was under consideration for an impact factor rating by 2016.

**New Year's Focus:**

- In connection with the release of the Forensic Nurse Core Curriculum, IAFN will develop an online training program and the CFNC will develop a corresponding certificate exam.
- We will offer an online 40 hour SANE pediatric forensic nursing course and an online 24 hour Intimate Partner Violence forensic nursing course to any RN interested in learning more.
- We have been updating and will co-publish the Forensic Nurse Scope and Standards of Practice with ANA using their new 2015 template.

**Current Interests:**

- Strangulation, sexual assault, evidence kit backlog, rape in the military, rape on college campuses, pediatric sexual assault, elder abuse, protocols, gunshot wounds, HIV, Forensics, Certification program accreditation and continued collaboration with other nursing and advocacy organizations.

**National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists**

100 N. 20th St., Suite 400  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103

**President:** Peggy Barksdale, MSN, RN, OCNS-C, CNS-BC

**President Elect:** Sharon Horner, PhD, RN, MC-CNS, FAAN

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

**Past Year's Progress:**

- Revised our bylaws to open up membership and establish additional membership categories as well as other revisions.
- Revised a lot of Board policies and procedures and updated our strategic plan.
- Expanded our webinar CE offerings and our Summit and Educators Forum.
- Achieved record attendance at our Annual Conference in March.
- Continued the work of our task forces, particularly the malnutrition, chronic care, and DNP position groups.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Focus on continuing the work of our task forces.
- Increase our membership recruitment and retention.
- Increase our CE offerings.
- Continue to refine our Annual Conference to increase attendance.
- Continue to advocate for the CNS role and increase the visibility of NACNS.

**Current Interests:**

- Membership recruitment and retention, governance best practices, and volunteer engagement.

**National Association of Orthopaedic Nurses**

330 North Wabash, #2000

Chicago, Illinois 60611

**President:** Robert Lonadier, MSN, RN, BS, ONC

**President Elect:** Colleen R. Walsh, DNP, ONC, ONP-C, CNS, ACNP-BC

**Executive Director:** Kaye Englebrecht, CAE

**Past Year's Progress:**

Dedicated membership recruitment efforts in 2014 helped the National Association of Orthopaedic Nurses (NAON) increase their membership numbers to 6248 members. NAON also revamped our conference exhibit concept. While we still have exhibitors, we have set up our hall to really encourage networking. We built separate networking areas such as a "Member Connect" area and a "Social Media" lounge. We named it the "Joint Connection". We received 100% positive feedback from our members and our sponsors and exhibitors on the new concept. NAON also completed our first clinical practice educational video. The NAON Neurovascular Assessment video covers the evaluation of the neurologic and circulatory status of the lower extremity and can be accessed for free at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OESd1guXGkk>. NAON will also be publishing the 3rd edition of the NAON Operating Room Manual and our first 4 module online Safe Patient Handling course this fall.

**New Year's Focus:**

The NAON Annual Congress will be held in Orlando, Florida on May 21-24th, 2016 where we will continue to fine tune our new conference exhibit hall concept. We are creating a new Advance Practice work shop in conjunction with our conference. We are enhancing our membership value by offering 12 "free" webinars for each member throughout the year.

**Current Interests:**



**National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners**

5 Hanover Square, Suite 1401

New York, New York 10004

**President:** Cathy Haut, DNP, CPNP-AC, CPNP-PC, CCRN

**President Elect:** Laura Searcy, MN, APRN, PPCNP-BC

**Executive Director:** Cate Brennan, MBA, CAE

**Past Year's Progress:**

- The National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP) is the leading professional association for pediatric nurse practitioners (PNPs) and other advanced practice nurses who care for children. Our more than 8,000 members and 49 chapters work to carry out our mission to empower PNPs and their healthcare partners to enhance child and family health through practice, leadership, advocacy, education and research. We are proud to have reached the milestone of 8,000+ members this year, and we have initiated new programs, such as a group membership for children's hospitals and dual membership arrangements with the Pediatric Orthopaedic Practitioner Society and Association of Pediatric Gastroenterology and Nutrition Nurses.
- NAPNAP achieved record-breaking attendance at our 2015 National Conference on Pediatric Health Care. We focused on our new education branding, The Leader in Pediatric Education for Nurse Practitioners, at the national conference, and our newly launched one-day specialty symposia, Pediatric Rx, was successfully held in Chicago and Pittsburgh. More symposia topics and dates will be planned for 2016.
- NAPNAP was active in lobbying for the extended funding for the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). We continue to collaborate with fellow healthcare provider organizations on advocacy efforts focused on child health, nursing workforce and full practice authority. We continue to work with the Society of Pediatric Nurses (SPN) and American Nurses Association (ANA) on the Pediatric Nursing: Scope & Standards of Practice, Second Edition, scheduled for publication later this year.
- Our first three Executive Board members-at-large took office July 1, 2015 progressing toward the board restructuring included in our March 2014 bylaws change. Three additional members-at-large will be elected in 2016 to achieve an 11-member, all elected board of officers and members-at-large.

**New Year's Focus:**

During the next year, we will focus on revising our strategic plan and objectives. We will refocus on our growing and diverse membership, the educational needs of pediatric-focused APRNs, and federal and state advocacy efforts and capacity, especially efforts on achieving full practice authority. We continue to seek partners on health policy and wish to collaborate with like-minded organizations on key federal and state legislation and regulation. Continuing education, professional development, practice guidelines and quality initiatives are other areas where NAPNAP seeks collaborative partners. We will continue to promote PNPs and their pediatric health care expertise and contributions to the health and well-being of children with a strategic communications plan aimed at policy makers, healthcare leaders, consumers and other stakeholders. As The Leader in Pediatric Education for Nurse Practitioners, we are developing new robust education programs for our members and other healthcare providers, and we strive to continue to grow our national conference. Given the current trend in government and corporate funding to maximize program delivery channels and returns on investments, we welcome opportunities to collaborate with other advanced practice nursing and child health organizations on largescale provider and patient education projects, as well as public health campaigns.

**Current Interests:**

- Developing new joint educational offerings through specialty symposia and NAPNAP national conference
- Advocacy collaboration at the federal, state and regulatory levels
- Program partnerships in public affairs, public relations, corporate/public grants
- Collaboration on inter-association task forces/workgroups on issues important to child health policy and practice guidelines
- Growing our membership beyond traditional markets

**National Association of School Nurses**

1100 Wayne Ave, Suite 925  
Silver Spring, Maryland 20910

**President:** Beth Matthey, MSN, RN, NCSN  
**President Elect:** Nina Fekaris, MS, BSN, RN, NCSN  
**Executive Director:** Donna Mazyck

**Past Year's Progress:**

- Developed proposed framework for school nursing practice
- Completing a public relations toolkit for school nurses
- Collected local and state level uniform data from school nurses
- Began new clinical book series: Principles for Practice
- Enrolled all members into online member community (only a few members opt out)

**New Year's Focus:**

- Increase membership recruitment and retention
- Increase engagement of and interaction with new members
- Provide opportunities for members to volunteer on short-term projects
- Redesign website

**Current Interests:**

- Board and school nurse leadership development programs
- Reimbursement for school nursing services.
- Curating examples of innovative funding models for school health services

**National Council of State Boards of Nursing**

111 East Wacker Drive, Suite 2900

Chicago, Illinois 60601

**President:** Shirley Brekken, MS, RN

**President Elect:** Kathy Thomas, MN, RN

**Executive Director:** David Benton, RGN, PhD, FFNF, FRCN

**Past Year's Progress:**

NCSBN was successful in obtaining the support of additional boards of nursing's participation in the Nurse Licensure Compact model through an enhanced interstate agreement that addresses criminal background checks as a requirement for multistate licensure. A new APRN Compact was adopted based on the APRN Consensus Model that will facilitate mobility of APRNs and increase access to care for patients by requiring only one APRN license authorizing practice in all participating states. NCSBN wished retiring CEO Kathy Apple well and welcomed David Benton as the new CEO for NCSBN.

**New Year's Focus:**

NCSBN will be primarily focused on supporting legislative efforts to enact the enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact and the APRN Compact across the country. The organization will also be engaged in planning new strategic direction for the organization for the next few years.

**Current Interests:**

- Best practices for onboarding new board members
- Identifying current trends in nursing practice and education
- Identifying current trends related to nurse and faculty shortages.

**National Gerontological Nursing Association**

3493 Lansdowne Drive Ste 2

Lexington, Kentucky 40517

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

**President Elect:** Joann Alderman, MSN, APRN-CNS, RN-BC, FNGNA

**Executive Director:** Brian Doty, CMP

**Past Year's Progress:**

NGNA successfully completed another annual convention and continues to offer quality online programming to its members. Additionally, the bi-monthly newsletter was replaced with a monthly format that offers a brief summary with links to the full article.

**New Year's Focus:**

NGNA is working on a strategic plan that will better target the needs of the gerontological nurse.

**Current Interests:**

**National League for Nursing**  
3600 Virginia Avenue NW  
Washington, District of Columbia 20037

**President:** Marsha Howell Adams, PhD, RN, CNE, FAAN, ANEF (until Oct 2)  
**President Elect:** Anne Bavier, PhD, RN, FAAN (until Oct 2)  
**Executive Director:** CEO, Beverly Malone, PhD, RN, FAAN

**Past Year's Progress:**

The seven NLN Centers for Nursing Education expanded programming, products and services in 2015. Many center initiatives address the recommendations in the IOM Future of Nursing Report. Partnerships with foundations and industry continue to bear fruit in the service of nursing education. A new accrediting division, the NLN Commission for Nursing Education Accreditation (CNEA) was launched. Certified Nurse Educators passed 5,000 in number. Membership continues to grow. NLN Jeffries Simulation Theory was published. NLN Vision Series statements covered Debriefing Across the Curriculum, Teaching with Simulation, "The Changing Faculty Role," and "Recognition of the Role of LPNs/LVNs in Advancing the Nation's Health." NLN Testing Services is enhanced by state-of-the-art software for improved delivery and analytics.

**New Year's Focus:**

The NLN will continue to promote excellence in nursing education to build a strong and diverse nursing workforce to advance the health of the nation and the global community. The League will nurture current and seek new relationships with other organizations interested in excellence in nursing. Within the framework of our commitment to members and our four core values – caring, integrity, diversity, and excellence – the NLN will create and produce resources for nurse educators both in the classroom and the clinical environment, champion the interests of the nursing education community, and advance the science of nursing education.

**Current Interests:**

- Leadership in nursing education
- Academic and clinical transition
- Nurse and nurse educator workforce development
- Teaching nursing care for vulnerable populations
- Simulation and technology in nursing education
- Assessment and evaluation
- Nursing education research
- Diversity and global issues
- Nursing Education Accreditation

**National Student Nurses Association, Inc.**

45 Main Street, Suite 606  
Brooklyn, New York 11201

**President:** Ryan Bannan, Nursing Student

**President Elect:** N/A

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

**Past Year's Progress:**

- The NSNA Board of Directors developed Core Values for the association: Leadership & Autonomy; Quality Education; Advocacy; Professionalism; Care; and Diversity. The Board is reviewing the NSNA Code of Ethics to ensure that it stays current and relevant.
- NSNA is pleased to report that 2,700 nursing students, faculty, speakers, exhibitors and invited guests attended the 63rd Annual NSNA Convention, Bright Horizons: Rising to New Opportunities, which took place in Phoenix, Arizona, April 8-12, 2015. We were pleased to have so many representatives from specialty organizations at the Opening Ceremony. ANA President Cipriano moderated a Plenary Session entitled, "Nursing Ethics and Moral Courage: Doing the Right Thing." The Panel included Dr. Cynda Hylton Rushton and Dr. Veronica Feeg and was sponsored by ANA. The House of Delegates passed 49 resolution.
- The NSNA Partnership Program with nursing specialty organizations now has fifteen participating associations: ANN, AHNA, ANA, ANNA, AONE, AORN, APHON, ASPSN, DNA, ENA, IAFN, NANN, ONS, AAMN and The Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science (CANS). For information please contact NSNA.

**New Year's Focus:**

- The 64th Annual NSNA Convention takes place in Orlando, FL, March 30 – April 3, 2016.
- The 33rd Annual NSNA MidYear Career Planning Conference takes place November 5-8, 2015 in Atlanta, GA
- NSNA plans to continue its research agenda, started in 2008, to survey new graduates on their experiences entering the RN workforce. The survey has identified several trends employment trends, student debt, and job-related satisfaction. NSNA's research partner, Molloy College PhD Program, has been instrumental in helping to advance NSNA's research agenda which included a survey of students and faculty ethical dilemmas. Results of the study were reported by Dr. Veronica Feeg at the 2015 NSNA Convention.
- The NSNA Leadership University shared-governance certificate programs and career management and counseling services continue to grow and broaden their reach.
- The Foundation of the NSNA, "Forever Nursing," Scholarship Endowment Campaign continues to grow. We extend our heartfelt thanks to ANA and several other nursing organizations for supporting the Forever Nursing Campaign. The FNSNA continues to work closely with the Johnson & Johnson Campaign for Nursing's Future and the Promise of Nursing fund-raising events to support undergraduate nursing student scholarships, faculty fellowships, and school grants. For information contact the Foundation of NSNA or visit [www.nсна.org](http://www.nсна.org).

**Current Interests:**

- Issues
- Real-time workforce supply and demand statistics related to entry-level RN positions
- Increasing diversity in the RN workforce
- Leadership development and professional formation
- Academic progression
- Growing the endowment for undergraduate nursing education.

**Nurses Organization of Veterans Affairs**

47595 Watkins Island Square

Sterling, Virginia 20165

**President:** Larry Lemos DNP, MHA, RN, GCNS-BC, NE, BC

**President Elect:** Sharon Johnson, MSN, RN

**Executive Director:** Susan Dove

**Past Year's Progress:**

- Collaborated with 2 educational institutions to offer discounts to members
- Established partnerships with 10 certification bodies to provide discounts to members
- Held 7 Webinar sessions which are available online for members to view
- Bylaws change approved by members to create a membership category for LPN/LVNs
- Robert McDonald, Secretary of Department of Veterans Affairs, was the keynote speaker for the 35th Annual Meeting in Washington DC, June 2015
- 15th Annual Legislative Roundtable held in March, 2015.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Continuing to monitor status and work with nursing associations to provide supportive comments on VHA Nursing Handbook
- Working with consultant on strategic plan and establishing goals for future of organization
- Continuing to develop a marketing and social media campaign.

**Current Interests:**

- Updating/revising organizational policies and procedures
- Developing an investment policy for reserve funds.

**Oncology Nursing Society**  
125 Enterprise Drive  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15275

**President:** Margaret Barton-Burke, PhD, RN, FAAN  
**President Elect:** Susan Schneider, PhD, RN, AOCN, FAAN  
**Executive Director:** Brenda Nevidjon, RN, MSN, FAAN

**Past Year's Progress:**

- Celebrated the ONS 40th anniversary. Officially ONS was incorporated in July, but recognition and celebration has been planned for the year
- Achieved the #1 ranking by impact factor for the Oncology Nursing Forum among 106 journals in the nursing category.
- Convened and facilitated a summit with several oncology professional organizations in Washington, DC to respond to proposed revision on USP 800.
- Initiated complimentary ONS membership to pre-licensure students as part of the 40th anniversary.
- Decided to close the for-profit subsidiary, ONS:Edge by Q1 of 2016
- Revised the ONS Policy related to Corporate Support allowing the Treasurer and Secretary of the ONS Board of Directors the opportunity to serve while being employed by pharma. President-elect/President position still may not be employed by pharma.
- Hosted a regional Oncology Pharmacology Update conference in September 2015.
- Conducting an organizational assessment to streamline staff and volunteer processes.
- Submitted and had approved 5 Choosing Wisely recommendations.
- Developed a Quality Clinical Data Registry (QCDR) which is CMS approved and to which providers can report data for the Medicare PQRS and Meaningful Use requirements.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Implementation of a new association management system which serves as the basis for most processes within ONS and the affiliate corporations
- Implementation of new 2016-2019 Strategic Plan consisting of three focus areas which include innovation in knowledge and learning, excellence in oncology nursing and patient care, and advocacy for patients and the profession.
- Introduction of a new conference experience for oncology nurses at the 2016 Congress in San Antonio, TX.
- Addition of a basic chemo/bio course for nurses who administer limited chemo and a renewal course to complement the advanced course that was launched two years ago
- Implementation of organization assessment recommendations
- Codify our registry quality measure to be e-measures

**Current Interests:**

- Emerging reimbursement methods in cancer care which includes pathways, value-based decision making tools, and models of care
- Ensuring the use of ONS standards on safe handling and administration of cancer chemotherapies
- Care coordination including nurse navigation roles and survivorship care services and plan use.
- Pending legislation on cancer drug parity, breast cancer, and palliative care/hospice education and training.



## **Organization for Associate Degree Nursing**

7794 Grow Drive  
Pensacola, Florida 32514

**President:** Patricia Smart MS, RN-BC, CNE  
**President Elect:** Christy Dryer DNP, RN, CNE  
**Executive Director:** Donna Meyer MSN RN ANEF

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

- OADN instituted major organizational changes over the past year. In November 2014, the name officially changed from the National Organization for Associated Degree Nursing (NOADN) to the Organization for Associate Degree Nursing (OADN). The name change reflects interest from international nurses and programs in our mission and goals. In June 2015 Donna Meyer became full time Chief Executive Officer; the OADN Board of Directors believes strongly that this will increase the continuity of our participation in important nursing and nursing educational initiatives. The third organizational change was adding two new membership categories: student membership and an affiliate membership; both additions were in response careful consideration of requests from these contingencies.
- OADN's Alpha Delta Nu Nursing Honor Society has grown to 100 chapters. This important recognition program for associate degree nursing students is a major benefit for college agency members. This honor society is the only national honor society for associate degree nursing students.
- OADN's on-going work with the Center to Champion Nursing in America continues with numerous initiatives focusing on academic progression. One of the initiatives, Moving Forward in Academic Progression: BSN Foundational Courses. This outcome of this work has been presented with Dr. Jean Giddens numerous times over the last year. The intent of the work is to provide a national guideline for BSN foundational courses in an effort to ensure that all nursing students will not repeat courses as they continue their education.
- OADN was one of the founding members to the Nurses on Board Coalition and is working with other national nursing organizations to increase nurses' presence on corporate and non-profit health-related boards of directors throughout the country. CEO Donna Meyer is chair of the NOBC membership committee
- OADN was invited to present testimony at the Institute of Medicine's Committee for the Evaluation of the Impact of the IOM Report: The Future of Nursing: Leading Change, Advancing Health.
- OADN Endorsement of Blueprint for 21st Century Nursing Ethics-Report of National Nursing Summit: OADN has signed on in support.
- OADN Continues to be represented on Institute of Medicine: Global Forum on Innovation in Health Professional Education which is a very important initiative in regards to inter-professional education and practice.
- Released a joint position statement with the American Nurses Association (ANA) on academic progression
- The 2015 OADN national convention with a theme focusing on academic progression. The keynote was Carolyn Jones from the American Nurse Project and a plenary panel session led by Dr. Susan Hassmiller focused on the need for academic progression and innovative models.
- In September OADN CEO Donna Meyer traveled with the Community College Baccalaureate Association CEO Beth Hagan to Australia to present at a international national conference addressing models of nursing education

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

- Establish a recognition program to honor the professional accomplishments of associate degree nursing educators or nurses that started their nursing career as associate degree nursing graduate. The first induction will occur at our Annual Convention in November 2015.
- Support the Nurses on Board Coalition as a founding member to reach the goal of 10,000 nurses on Board by 2020
- Support the work on the national nursing ethics work
- Continue to work on membership recruitment
- Publish a special edition journal focusing on academic progression
- Continue to advance work on academic progression to assist in reaching the Institute of Medicine, Future of Nursing: Leading Change, Advancing Health recommendation for 80% of the nurses to be baccalaureate prepared by 2020
- Planning for the 2016 National Convention with a focus on inter-professional education and leadership

### **Current Interests:**

- Academic progression
- Nurses on Boards initiative
- Inter-professional education
- Expanding to the international arena
- Member recruitment

## **Sigma Theta Tau International**

550 West North Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46202

**President:** Hester C. Klopper, PhD, MBA, RN, RM, FANSA

**President Elect:** Cathy Catrambone, PhD, RN, FAAN

**Executive Director:** Patricia E. Thompson

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

- Global Advisory Panel on the Future of Nursing (GAPFON) was created to advance nursing's global voice and vision in the context of global health. Regional meetings were completed for Asia/Pacific Rim in June 2015 and for Latin-Central America and the Caribbean in July 2015. In 2016 meetings are being planned for North America (February), the Middle East (March), Europe (June) and Africa (July). Information about upcoming meetings and observer registration can be found at [www.gapfon.org](http://www.gapfon.org). Reports will be shared from each of these meetings. GAPFON sponsors include Pfizer, Johns Hopkins School of Nursing, and the National Council of State Boards of Nursing. GAPFON plans to align with other organizations and groups with missions specific to recommendations coming from these meetings to determine plans of action with measurable outcomes to address global health issues.
- Presentation made at the fifty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women held at the United Nations Headquarters in New York in March, 2015. Co-sponsors were International Council of Nurses, Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing and Felician College. The title of the presentation was 'Empowering Women through Education'.
- Inducted 19 into the International Nurse Researcher Hall of Fame
- In 2015, the Emerging Nurse Researcher award was created to recognize early career nurses whose research has impacted the profession and the people it serves. One STTI member from each global region will be presented with this prestigious award each year at STTI's International Nursing Research Congress beginning in 2016. Nomination deadline is 9 December 2015. <http://www.nursingsociety.org/Awards/NurseResearcher/Pages/NurseResearcherHallofFame.aspx>
- The Institute for Global Healthcare Leadership, launching in September 2016, will introduce future global health care leaders to the wide array of content areas required to effectively lead major public or private health departments, ministries of health, organization and global programs and initiatives
- The Puerto Rico Research Congress was successful with 820 researchers attending from 32 countries. The next congress will be held in Cape Town, South Africa on 21-25 July 2016.

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

- Building on the Board's 2014-2020 Strategic Plan, with an emphasis on:
  - growing in value for members and nurses worldwide;
  - promoting and celebrating nursing scholarship, leadership and service;
  - building partnerships and collaborative endeavors to advance the mission of the society; and
  - sustaining and advancing the resources of the society
- A new Board of Directors will be elected for the 2015-2017 biennium at the society's 2015 Biennial Convention in Las Vegas, Nevada (7-11 November 2015).

### **Current Interests:**

- Meeting needs across a diverse membership
- Growing globally

**Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates**

330 N Wabash  
Chicago, Illinois 60611

**President:** Lisa Fonkalsrud, BSN RN CGRN  
**President Elect:** Kristine Barman, BSN RN CGRN  
**Executive Director:** Dale West, CAE

**Past Year's Progress:**

- Scholars and Fellows Programs – Our evidence-based practice programs are generating new research on critical topics in the GI setting
- New Nurse Manager Mentoring Program – Our mentoring program is helping the next generation of nurses prepare to take on leadership roles within their organizations.

**New Year's Focus:**

- Infection Prevention – We will be releasing new practice guidelines and educational programs
- Continuation of our evidence-based practice programs.

**Current Interests:**

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

207 Downing Street  
New Smyrna Beach, Florida 32168

**President:** Maggie Chesnutt, MSN, FNP-BC, CORLN  
**President Elect:** Deena Hollingsworth, MSN, FNP-BC, CORLN  
**Executive Director:** Sandra L. Schwartz, MS, RN, CORLN

**Past Year's Progress:**

SOHN continues to collaborate with the American Academy of Otolaryngology and Head-Neck Surgery (AAO-HNS) on development of clinical practice guidelines. The most recent guideline release is Rhinitis. With the help of a facilitator SOHN has completely revised its strategic plan to meet the changing needs of its membership. SOHN was reaccredited by ANCC as a provider of continuing nursing education in ORL Nursing for four additional years. SOHN has proudly been continually accredited for 35 years. The Society recently celebrated the very successful 39th Anniversary Congress and Nursing Symposium in Dallas, Texas, September 25 – 29, 2015.

**New Year's Focus:**

In 2016 SOHN will continue to focus on clinical guideline development with the AAO-HNS. Additional leadership opportunities will be developed to promote the strategic initiatives. SOHN continues to develop evidence-based information on tracheostomy care (survey, publications). Enhancement of the Social Media Coordinator position. Redesign of web site. Development of dynamic educational programs with a focus on advanced practice and promotion of web based Comprehensive Otorhinolaryngology and Head-Neck Nursing Course.

**Current Interests:**

- Changing needs of members/membership
- Recruitment/Retention
- Additional Revenue Streams
- The Future of Annual Meetings/Alternatives
- How to Create excitement in membership

**Society of Pediatric Nurses**  
330 N. Wabash Ave. Suite 2000  
Chicago, Illinois 60611

**President:** Shirley A. Wiggins, PhD, RN  
**President Elect:** Kristen Straka, DNP, RN, CPN, NEA-BC  
**Executive Director:** Kimberly Eskew, CAE

**Past Year's Progress:**

SPN celebrated its 25th Annual Conference at Disneyland, in Anaheim, CA. The conference drew record attendance and set the stage for continued growth for SPN. SPN has focused on providing new educational opportunities for our members with the creation of three free CNE webinars (with more in development), posting annual conference recordings online and launching two professional toolkits: Research and Evidence-based Practice. SPN went through committee governance restructuring and policy rewriting in order to create alignment and focus on increasing membership value.

**New Year's Focus:**

SPN will remain focused on education next year through webinars, the Annual Conference and the creation of new products that meet the needs of membership (based on an education survey conducted late 2014). SPN will be applying to ANCC this fall for provider unit accreditation. SPN is also working to enhance its online networking opportunities through active discussion forums and online member resources. As the premier resource for pediatric nursing we will be concentrating on ensuring pediatric nurses know about the enhanced resources provided and how to utilize them to advance their careers.

**Current Interests:**

- Expanded Membership Value
- Innovative Education

**Society of Trauma Nurses**  
3493 Lansdowne Dr., Suite 2  
Lexington, Kentucky 40517

**President:** Julie Nash, MSN, RN  
**President Elect:** Joan Pirrung MSN, RN, ACNS-BC  
**Executive Director:** Stephanie Czuhajewski, CAEe

**Past Year's Progress:**

The Society of Trauma Nurses has made significant progress in

**New Year's Focus:**

- STN has several initiatives planned for 2016 including:
  - 1. Continuing to enhance review materials and resources to help nurses prepare for the TCRN certification exam.
  - 2. Developing a leadership fellowship program for trauma nurses.
  - 3. Developing public policy tools and resources for trauma nurses who are interested in state and federal advocacy.
  - 4. Establishing a meaningful research grant program for trauma nursing.

**Current Interests:**

STN is interested in expanding opportunities for collaboration with other organizations, specifically on advocacy issues of mutual interest and clinical areas that overlap along the continuum of care.

**The American Assembly for Men in Nursing**

PO Box 7867

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19101

**President:** Bob Patterson, MSN, RN

**President Elect:** N/A

**Executive Director:** Karen Mota- Account Executive

**Past Year's Progress:**

Organized and held an annual meeting for all members of the organization to include continuing education, industry updates, recruitment opportunities and professional development. Maintain the website and published newsletters containing timely and relevant information pertaining to the organization, its members and other interested parties.

**New Year's Focus:**

The organization focus for the next year is to increase and retain its membership, develop a more robust website and keep engaging in factors that influence and affect men in nursing. Conduct the 2016 annual meeting and conference.

**Current Interests:**

- Influence Factors that affect men in nursing
- Professional Development
- Membership recruitment and retention

**The Association Of Black Nursing Faculty, Inc.**

P.O. Box 580  
Lisle, Illinois 60532

**President:** Diana P.Jones Ed.D. MS, RN

**President Elect:**

**Executive Director:**

**Past Year's Progress:**

The purpose of The Association of Black Nursing Faculty, Inc. (ABNF) is to form and maintain a group whereby Black professional nurses with similar credentials, interests and concerns may work to promote certain health-related issues and educational interests for the benefit of themselves and the Black community. A primary focus for ABNF Executive Board is strategic planning. The executive board has made substantial progress and continues to implement the Strategic plan developed in 2014. The ABNF 28th Annual Meeting & Scientific Conference was held in New York, New York. The theme Interprofessional Education: Preparing the Future Nursing Health Professional provided a variety of educational presentations that focused on strategies to promote research, teaching, professional development and community services through mentoring and support. Sessions addressed innovative teaching strategies, evolving technology, and current issues and trends in nursing curriculum. ABNF, Inc. has partnered with NGNA to produce several educational webinars focused on culturally appropriate care for caregivers of diverse populations. ABNF, Inc. developed a task force to investigate strategies for addressing particular issues that threaten the success of minority nursing programs. The organization endorsed the Advanced Practice Nurse as Independent Practitioners, the National Nurse for Public Health Act and sponsored a member at the 2015 Nurse in Washington Internship (NIWI) program, March 15-17, 2015, in Washington, D.C.

**New Year's Focus:**

ABNF's focus for next year is to continue the implementation the strategic plan and to grow the organization through new member recruitment.. The organization will promote the Affordable Care Act initiative, join with other professional organizations (NLN; AACN; NGNA; NBNA) in the promotion of legislative actions designed to improve healthcare outcomes for underserved populations. ABNF, Inc will host next year's 28th Annual Meeting and Scientific Conference in New York, NY on June 10-13, 2015. Go to [www.abnf.net](http://www.abnf.net) for more information. Increase membership in the organization.

**Current Interests:**

Areas of interest include but are not limited to providing networking support for teaching, research and publication for ethnic minority faculty in colleges, universities and healthcare systems; mentoring of professional nurses of ethnic minority to achieve Baccalaureate and higher levels of education and training; mentoring ethnic minority nurses through the academic promotion and tenure process, including establishment of a program of research and dissemination of new knowledge; increasing ethnic minorities in the healthcare workforce; forming partnerships with national organizations to provide continuing education for organizations, members, and other interested nurses; creating public policy statements related to healthcare outcomes for underserved populations, and statements support of ACA initiatives; and supporting the Nurse in Washington (NIWI) week Initiative