

Academy of Medical-Surgical Nurses (AMSN)

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Past Year's Progress: AMSN Accomplishments - 2011

- Incorporated the AMSN strategic message in all of our communications.
- Revised the AMSN priority agenda.
- More than 2,400 nurses earned the Certified Medical-Surgical Registered Nurse (CMSRN) credential through the Medical-Surgical Nursing Certification Board (MSNCB), the AMSN certification partner. Presented the Medical-Surgical Nursing Certification Review Courses to requesting hospitals across the country.
- Collaborated with MSNCB to develop the AMSN PRISM Award (Premier Recognition in the Specialty of Med-Surg), a program for recognition of exemplary medical-surgical nursing units.
- Participated in NQF & ANA Organizational Affiliate activities.
- Member of ANSR & Nursing Community. Signed on to several initiatives.
- Increased medical-surgical nurses awareness of legislative issues & activities.
- Increasing members awareness of healthy workplace environment practices through the development of a resource toolkit on the AMSN Website.
- Refined the implementation of the task force model (vs. standing committees) to accomplish the goals of the strategic plan.

New Year's Focus: AMSN Goals for 2012

- Present the AMSN PRISM Award to exemplary medical-surgical nursing units that meet the established criteria.
- Develop a clinical leadership development program for bedside nurses.
- Develop content on performance/quality improvement for the EBP/research section of the Web site.
- Publish the 5th Edition of the Scope and Standards of Medical-Surgical Nursing Practice.
- Collaborate with other nursing organizations to prepare nurses for accountable care organizations, the IOM Future of Nursing recommendations and other health care reform initiatives.
- Investigate online methods for members to share clinical information.
- Assess & implement strategies to promote the self-sustainment of local chapters.
- Revise the AMSN Mentoring materials.

Current Interests: Topics of interest to AMSN:

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

Academy of Neonatal Nursing
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President:
President Elect:
Executive Director: Debbie Fraser, MN RNC-NIC

Past Year's Progress: ANN has maintained a stable membership despite the economic challenges facing nurses. We have achieved accreditation with ANCC and now offer more than 200 hours of CE. We have increased our volunteer opportunities and now have three active committees in place that will allow us to better meet the education needs of our members.

New Year's Focus: partnering with another organization to develop webinars revamping our website increasing our on-line CE offering

Current Interests: use of social media for engaging members and for education inter-generational workforce issues

Air & Surface Transport Nurses Association
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President: Michael Frakes, APRN, CFRN, CCNS, CCRN, CEN, CMTE, EMT-P
President Elect: Sandy Correia, RN, BSN, CFRN, CCRN, CMTE
Executive Director: Karen Wojdyla

Past Year's Progress: ASTNA represents over 1600 transport nurses worldwide. Safety is at the forefront of our agenda: whether working in a helicopter, airplane, or ground ambulance, transport nurses must carefully manage both operational and patient safety in their jobs. We represent transport nurses on safety matters at the state and national levels, including testifying and meeting with legislators, and participating in government and industry forums. Education is another primary focus for ASTNA. We recently updated our Transport Nurse Advanced Trauma Course (TNA TC) and the Advanced Provider Course, the only advanced-level trauma care courses specifically for transport nurses. Specialty certification is closely linked with education. This year we premiered our Transport Certification Exam Review Course (TraCER), designed to help transport nurses and their partner transport paramedics be successful on specialty certification exams required the accreditation of programs employing experienced transport nurses. We continue to promote those credentials, Certified Flight Nurse (CFRN) and Certified Transport Nurse (CTRN), and to collaborate with the Board for Certification in Emergency Nursing in their development and administration. As the voice of transport nurses, ASTNA maintains a library of 11 position papers. All of our position papers, including Transport Nurse Safety, Continuing Education, Certification, and Staffing in Critical Care Transport have been updated and are located on our website at www.astna.org.

New Year's Focus: ASTNA will continue to represent transport nurses in the promotion of safety in all modes of transport. Both individually and in collaboration with other transport organizations, we participate in educational, investigational, advocacy, and regulatory forums designed to maximize the workplace safety of our members. The ASTNA board held a strategic planning meeting this summer, determining that Membership, Education, Publications, and Collaboration are the board's top internal priorities this next year. Among our projects in these areas are a membership campaign, improved social media interaction, the rollout of a member continuing education benefit, and continued efforts to encourage individuals and employers to pursue specialty certification. Although ASTNA published its second edition of the Standards for Critical Care and Specialty Ground Transport this year, we are in the process of combining our standards for all transport modes: ground, rotor-wing, fixed-wing, and commercial escort to consolidate the information and provide a stronger resource for air and ground transport programs. We will begin an update of the Core Curriculum for Critical Care Transport this year, in a new collaboration with the International Association of Flight Paramedics.

American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nursing (AAACN)
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President: Linda Brixey, RN
President Elect: Suzanne Wells, BSN, RN
Executive Director: Cynthia N. Hnatiuk, EdD, RN, CAE

Past Year's Progress:

- Released a position statement on the Role of the RN in Ambulatory Care.
- Implemented a new strategic plan.
- Created a strategic message, introduced a new tagline, and redesigned the logo.
- Introduced a new health care reform column in the newsletter.
- Introduced webinars for member education in addition to an Online Library.
- Joined ANA as an Organizational Affiliate member. Reviewed and endorsed ANA Scope and Standards of Practice, 2nd Edition.
- Participated in external collaborations: JCAHO Professional Technical Advisory Committee, American Academy of Pediatrics Section on Telehealth Care, Nursing Community, Americans for Nursing Shortage Relief coalition, Association of Rehabilitation Nurses Task Force, and National Council State Boards of Nursing Nurse Licensure Compact Coalition.
- Participated in the VA/DoD Let's Get Certified Campaign for the 4th year offering discounted study materials to nurses preparing to take the ambulatory certification exam.
- Presented Certification Review Courses hosted by facilities seeking to prepare their nurses for ambulatory care nursing certification.
- Presented Telehealth Nursing Practice Core Courses to educate nurses providing telehealth nursing care.
- Released a revised Telehealth Nursing Practice Resource Directory.
- Completed a Web site toolkit to help ambulatory facilities achieve magnet status.
- Held successful 36th annual conference in San Antonio, TX with a focus on health care reform. 631 total attendees.

New Year's Focus:

- Keep members/colleagues informed of how health care reform will affect them and their patients.
- Continue to update members on the IOM Future of Nursing report recommendations and implement strategies to address them.
- Explore the development of care coordination competencies for RNs in ambulatory care.
- Publish the 5th edition of the Scope and Standards of Practice for Professional Telehealth Nursing.
- Publish the 3rd edition of the Core Curriculum for Ambulatory Care Nursing.
- Complete a position paper on the role of the RN in ambulatory care to complement the position statement.
- Develop online Communities of Practice (COPs).
- Create a repository of research and EBP resources in ambulatory care.
- Implement a retention plan focused on first year members.
- Conduct a successful 2012 annual conference, May 2-5, 2012 at Hilton Walt Disney World, Orlando, FL.

Current Interests:

- The implications of health care reform on ambulatory care.
- Care coordination and transitional care.
- Effect of economy on member recruitment/retention and non dues revenue sources.
- Decline in volunteerism.

American Academy of Nurse Practitioners

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President: Penny Kaye Jensen, DNP, APRN, FNP-C, FAANP

President Elect: Angela K. Golden, DNP, FNP-C, FAANP

Executive Director: Timothy "TK" Knettler, MBA (Chief Executive Officer)

Past Year's Progress: AANP's main focus has been to ensure that NPs are at the table and recognized when healthcare issues are discussed and are part of any plans developed. AANP participated on policy making committee and panels, presented invited testimony to decision-makers, formed partnerships/coalitions with healthcare organizations and attended numerous meetings to clearly articulate and represent the role of the NP as a skilled primary, acute and specialty healthcare provider. AANP endorses the IOM/RWJF Report and convened an expert panel that published AANP Comments on the IOM Report. AANP believes that the Report demonstrates abundant, compelling and unchallenged evidence that NPs are highly qualified, skilled and safe healthcare providers. The Report clearly shows that the time has come to give consumers the freedom to choose among all qualified providers by removing scope-of-practice barriers, expanding collaborative efforts to provide high quality care, and building databases to improve health at current levels of spending. AANP media outreach during the first six months of 2011 has been significant with more than 40 interviews in major publications and a media tour of NY-based publishers to help build awareness of the vital role of the NP. AANP's 2011 national conference was our largest ever, with 5,680 NPs and 250+ exhibiting companies, representing substantial growth over last year. In addition, membership grew 10% over the previous year.

New Year's Focus: AANP will continue to be "The Voice of the Nurse Practitioner" at the local, state and national level, advocating for the role and recognition of NPs. We have expanded partnerships with national healthcare organizations to work toward mutually beneficial activities and will continue to do so in 2012. AANP continuing education activities have grown, with more than 90 programs created for NPs, offered to our members at no cost. We will enhance our outreach to the general public, providing information about NP-delivered services so that consumers have all the facts and can make informed decisions when choosing their healthcare provider. AANP's mission is to lead NPs in transforming patient-centered healthcare with the vision of seeking high-quality healthcare for all by the patient's provider of choice. To achieve this mission, AANP promotes excellence in NP practice, education and research, helps shape the future of healthcare through advancing health policy, and builds a positive image of the NP as a leader in the national and global healthcare community. The 2012 AANP National Conference will be held in Orlando, June 20-24, 2012. During the coming year, AANP will also focus attention on a rebranding of our website and expanding our electronic resources to reach a variety of audiences.

Current Interests: Advocacy, Building Awareness of NP Role, Partnership Opportunities, Collaborative Efforts

AMERICAN ASSEMBLY FOR MEN IN NURSING
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President: William T. Lecher, RN, MS, MBA, NE-BC

President Elect:

Executive Director: Byron McCain, CAE

Past Year's Progress: AAMN is now a NOA member. Organized for more than 3 decades, not limited by gender, today we are a vitalized organization. Luther Christman, RN, PhD, AAMN founder passed away, June 7, 2011 at the age of 96. AAMN & IOM Future of Nursing: Report states to improve the quality of patient care, a greater emphasis must be placed on making the nursing workforce more diverse, particularly in the areas of gender and race/ethnicity, AAMN cited 20x20: Choose Nursing campaign launched; goal 20% male enrollment by 2020 Participation:

1. AARP/Center to Champion Nursing in America
2. The Nursing Community
3. RAC's
4. Minority Nurse, MANENOUGH; The 20 x 20 Choose Nursing Campaign
5. The Future of Nursing: What is at Stake if Men Don't Respond; Michael Bleich, AAMN conference
6. Men in Nursing Video Contest

AAMN Strategic Plan 2013, 2011 highlights:

- 1.) Increase membership & chapters: membership up 25%, chapters up 39%
- 2.) Financial health: Cash reserve, up 35%
- 3.) Member services: 6 online CE programs, National Men in Nursing Mentor Program, 36th Annual Conference; Future of Nursing, Men Leading Change, Advancing Health
- 4.) Men in Nursing recognition programs: Luther Christman Award & Lee Cohen, Member of Year, Best Workplace & School for Men
- 5.) AAMN Brand development: AAMN website, FaceBook, Youtube, FON position paper, Gender Neutral Language position paper
- 6.) Marketing plan: Strategy developed
- 7.) Strategic relationships: NOA membership, NALA, Scholarship Review Committee, Nominee NOA Coordinating Team; DAISY Foundation
- 8.) Men's health: Men's Health Internship, Men's Health Position Paper, Men's Health Curriculum position paper

New Year's Focus:

1. Continue 2013 AAMN Strategic Plan, specifically accelerate:
 - a. Membership & chapter growth
 - b. Financial Secure external funding to drive AAMN growth and results we intend to deliver
 - c. Expand member services & benefits
 - d. Build the AAMN brand, become recognized voice for men in nursing
 - e. Execute AAMN Marketing strategy
 - f. Strategic relationship development with NOA Member organizations
 - g. National men in nursing leaders (CNOs, Deans, others) as strategic advisors
 - h. Men's Health promote Men's Health Month (June)
2. Future of Nursing Campaign for Action
 - a. 20 x 20 Choose Nursing Campaign: 6 poster series, Men in Nursing, do what you love, love what you do! ; AAMN YouTube channel video contests;
 - b. AAMN Metrics & Partnerships; in 5 years show:
 1. 15 schools - enrollment of men 30%; retention 90%
 2. 10 hospitals - 20% men; retention 90%
 3. 10 longtermcare employers - 20% men; 90%
 4. Develop partnerships promoting diversity and inclusion in the nursing workforce, not limited to gender

Current Interests:

1. Driving a professional nursing organization for exponential growth, revenue diversification, external funding support, infrastructure considerations
2. Future of Nursing Campaign for Action
 - a. Eight recommendations
 - b. Regional Action Coalitions
 - c. National partnerships, coalitions

d. Gender and racial/ethnic diversity

3. Gender and racial/ethnic minority nursing workforce diversity, inclusion, retention and opportunity, includes:

- a. The nursing pipeline: inclusion, recruitment, balance
- b. The nursing workplace and academic environment: retention
- c. Career development and recognition: opportunity, inclusion

4. Men s Health

a. Our partner, the Men s Health Network has documented the two following two reasons why men s health needs to be important to women. Since nursing continues to consist of more than 90% women, there is opportunity all nurses (men and women) and all NOA member organizations to promote men s health:

- i. Women live longer than men, they see their fathers, brothers, sons, and husbands suffer or die prematurely
- ii. More than one-half the elderly widows now living in poverty were not poor before the death of their husbands

b. Disseminate of Men s Health information and tools to men in nursing, the nursing community and the public

c. Participation with Men s Health education track at 37th Annual AAMN conference, October, 2012

American Association of Colleges of Nursing
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President Elect: Jane Kirschling, DNS, RN, FAAN
Executive Director: Polly Bednash, PhD, RN, FAAN

Past Year's Progress: Highlights from the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) include:

- Partnering with the Jonas Center for Nursing Excellence to increase the number of doctorally prepared nurse faculty all 50 states. Funding through this \$2.5 million program expansion will support students in both research- and practice-focused doctoral programs.
- Joining with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and the Johnson & Johnson Campaign for Nursing's Future to award almost \$4.2 million in scholarships to nursing students from minority and/or disadvantaged backgrounds.
- Collaborating with five other national health professions organizations to release new reports that outline competencies for interprofessional education and practice as well as action strategies to facilitate implementation.
- Extending the reach of AACN's QSEN Education Consortium through a generous, new grant from the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation to engage hospital leaders in the San Francisco area in quality and safety efforts.
- Facilitating the adoption of two AACN position statements endorsed by members this year, including the new Master's Essentials and a position on the research-focused doctorate.
- Expanding NursingCAS to include graduate programs in addition to entry-level RN programs.
- Offering a free series of high-interest faculty webinars exclusively for nurse educators in baccalaureate and graduate programs.

New Year's Focus: Looking ahead, AACN will focus on the following activities in support of our mission to advance professional nursing education, research, and practice:

- Providing resources and assistance to schools working to integrate the new Master's Essentials into program curricula.
- Advancing the IOM report recommendations in the areas of leadership development, expanding educational capacity, academic-practice partnerships, and interprofessional collaboration.
- Expanding faculty development initiatives, including growing the AACN faculty webinar series and offering new enrichment opportunities for individuals teaching in baccalaureate and graduate programs.
- Providing leadership around the advancement of interprofessional education and practice through our work with the Interprofessional Education Collaborative.
- Continuing support for nursing schools looking to transition their master's programs to the Doctor of Nurse Practice degree, and for new academic-practice partnerships looking to join the Clinical Nurse Leader initiative.
- Promoting the CNL certification to recent program graduates and increasing awareness of this emerging role and its positive impact on patient safety and high quality care.
- Collaborating with the University Health System Consortium to promote the jointly developed post-baccalaureate residency program to hospitals nationwide.
- Expanding NursingCAS, the new centralized application service for students applying to RN programs at all levels.

Current Interests:

- Raising the education level of the nursing workforce
- Addressing the nurse faculty shortage
- Promoting interprofessional education
- Providing faculty development opportunities
- Enhancing diversity in the RN 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
- Facilitating 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: Mary Stahl, RN, MSN, CCRN, CCNS-CMC, ACNS-BC

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

Executive Director: Wanda Johanson

Past Year's Progress:

- Released 'The Silent Treatment', a 5-year follow-up study to 'Silence Kills' with VitalSmarts and AORN
- Awarded first \$50K Impact Research Grant: 'Impact of Tele-ICUS on Bedside Care'
- Presented, from among 250 applicants, first national team excellence awards for prevention of healthcare associated infections (co-sponsored with DHHS and 3 critical care physician organizations)
- Showcased 70 more excellent adult, pediatric, & progressive care units
- Partnered to provide 3 new programs - progressive care, management and pediatrics
- Expanded evidence-based practice resources (including CAUTI, tube feeding aspiration, delirium assessment, family visitation, & CLABSI)
- Brought the voice of high acuity and critical care nurses to dozens of national liaison activities, offering advocacy, collaboration and expert advice
- Awarded 39 continuing professional development scholarships including 16 to NIWI
- Launched AACN2Go app for multiple mobile device platforms and added mobile-friendly sites for AACN journals
- Completed significant website enhancements
- Doubled facebook and twitter growth over last year
- Marked growth in members to over 92,000.

New Year's Focus:

- Continue to optimize current and new technologies to enhance communication and content delivery
- Experiment with new regional models to strengthen local community connections and action
- Partner to launch unique programming for building bedside influencing skills
- Test new methods at our national meeting that will enhance learning
- Continue to promote practice standards of excellence and expand evidence-based resources.

Current Interests:

- New member onboarding processes
- Speaker training to increase versatility in use of a variety of learning methods
- Collaborating outside the discipline to surface innovations

American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants

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President: Sharon McQuown, RN, MSN, LNCC
President Elect: Beth Diehl-Svrjcek, DNP, NNP-BC, CCRN, LNCC
Executive Director: Christina Tomaso

Past Year's Progress: AALNC has continued to endeavor to meet the educational and networking needs of the membership. These initiatives include offering monthly webinars, revision of existing educational products and creating new products as identified by market analysis. A Director of Programs was hired to spearhead these efforts. An annual educational forum was held in Baltimore in March, 2011 to a sold out audience. In addition, a editor was hired to oversee the continued publication of the Journal of Legal Nurse Consulting. A joint position statement was authored with TANNA against criminalization of nurses for medical errors. Other initiatives include establishing alliances with organizations to promote a broader awareness of legal nurse consulting such as the Defense Research Institute.

New Year's Focus: AALNC is in the strategic planning process with the intent of increasing membership and continuing to provide educational and networking opportunities for the membership. AALNC will continue to support chapter membership, professional certification and education through journal publication and outreach efforts.

Current Interests:

- Economic pressures
- Competition with private sector
- Decreasing membership
- Working effectively with a management company
- Engagement of volunteers

American Association of Neuroscience Nurses (AANN)

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President: Kathy Helmick, MS, CNRN, CRNP
President Elect: Linda Littlejohns, MSN, RN, FAAN
Executive Director: Joan Kram, MBA, RN, FACHE

Past Year's Progress: AANN joined ANA as an affiliate organization member. AANN began the 3-year process of chapter integration into a dual membership model with the National membership organization. It expects to achieve 100% dual membership by 2014. The American Nurses Credentialing Center awarded education approver status allowing AANN to approve educational programs for CE. AANN also published it's 5th Edition of the Neuroscience Nursing Core Curriculum. The Clinical Practice Guidelines for mild Traumatic Brain Injury (mild TBI) was published in collaboration with the Assoc. of Rehab Nurses. The Journal of Neuroscience Nurses was awarded its first impact factor.

New Year's Focus: AANN focus is on strategic alliances and advocacy.

Current Interests: Advocacy Bidirectional strategic partnerships New product development Membership growth and retention

American Association of Nurse Anesthetists

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President: Debra P. Malina, CRNA, DNSc, MBA, APN

President Elect: Janice J. Izlar, CRNA, DNAP

Executive Director: Wanda O. Wilson, PhD, CRNA

Past Year's Progress: Patient safety and quality care remain organizational priorities. Collaboration with the NQF, Safe Injection Practices Coalition and Council for Surgical and Perioperative Safety supports these priorities. The AANA position statement on safe injection practices was endorsed by the ANA. In response to drug shortages, the AANA advocated for adequate supplies of anesthetic and analgesic medications. Results of studies confirming the safety and cost effectiveness of CRNA services as well as the IOM report recommendations continue to be used to advocate for adequate APRN (specifically CRNA) resources to meet increased demand for healthcare within a reformed healthcare system. The AANA also collaborated with other groups to address advanced practice nursing issues, nursing workforce development and education, and provider nondiscrimination and reimbursement issues within the legislative and regulatory arenas. Participation in LACE activities continues. The CRNA role in pain management continues to be clarified. A new postgraduate program in advanced pain management is being offered in collaboration with Hamline University. In order to optimize communication with members, use of social media was introduced and the website is being redesigned. Organizational and membership data management has been enhanced with introduction of the new Aptify information management system. A new position of Deputy Executive Director has been integrated within the organizational management structure.

New Year's Focus: The organization's focus for the upcoming year will be state association and leadership development and obtaining equity and parity for CRNA services within all reimbursement systems. Advocacy support for nursing education and workforce development initiatives within the Affordable Care Act will continue. A new division for state association management affairs will provide consultation and support to state association elected volunteer leadership. Best practices in organizational governance, management and coalition building will be disseminated to the state associations through the work of this division. Support for state associations seeking gubernatorial opt-outs from the federal physician supervision requirement for Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists will continue. The AANA will continue to provide financial and staff support for the Coalition for Patients Rights in order to minimize the impact of any initiatives intended to restrict the legitimate scope of practice of non MD/DO professionals. The AANA continues to invest resources in activities and relationships reflecting our motto: Safe and Effective Anesthesia Care. We will continue to share the message that quality anesthesia care provided by CRNAs is safe, promotes access to care and makes fiscal sense.

Current Interests:

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

American Association of Occupational Health Nurses
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President: Catherine Pepler, MBA, BS, RN, COHN-S/CM, FAAOHN
President Elect: Pam Carter, RN, COHN-S, FAAOHN
Executive Director: Jon Dancy

Past Year's Progress: The AAOHN Board of Directors met in May at the AAOHN 2011 Annual Conference. During that meeting, the board discussed strategic planning goals for the year ahead. Over the past year, the organization has been working hard toward values propositions, including analyzing value-added benefits for the membership, marketing, the planning of future conferences, and financial goals.

New Year's Focus: Looking ahead, AAOHN strives to meet the needs of its membership, to enhance its role as the leading advocate for occupational health nurses, and to demonstrate that AAOHN is the source for all things OHN.

Current Interests: Legislative issues affecting occupational, safety, and environmental health Technology Marketing strategies
Identifying new sources of revenue Development and promotion of resources and education Collaborations Grants and funding of
research and education Organizational representation

American Nephrology Nurses' Association
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President: Rowena Elliott, PhD, RN, CNN, BC, CNE
President Elect: Glenda Payne, MS, RN, CNN
Executive Director: Michael Cunningham

Past Year's Progress:

- Conducted successful education programs including: Leadership Workshop for volunteer leaders; 42nd National Symposium in Boston, MA; Annual Fall Meeting for Nephrology Nurses, Managers, and Advanced Practice Nurses in Atlanta, GA; Health Policy Workshop in Washington, DC; and Webinars.
- Conducted successful Strategic Planning effort to guide the association over the next few years.
- Published 7th Edition of Nephrology Nursing Scope of Practice and Standards of Care.
- Published Nephrology Nursing Journal, 6 issues/year; migrated all content since 2000 to ANNA's Online Library for better use and searchability.
- Published ANNA Update (newsletter), 6x per year and ANNA's E-news 38x per year.
- Collaborated with the nephrology community to help shape health care reform for the benefit of our patient population.
- Coordinated Kidney Disease Awareness and Education Week (KDAE), August 2011, a program designed to educate legislators about Kidney Disease.
- Celebrated Nephrology Nurses Week in September.
- Reorganized Special Interest Groups into Specialty Practice Networks to broaden participation opportunities for our members working in various modalities of treatment.
- Expanded ANNA's Professional Online Networking service, ANNA Connected, to provide better communications among specialty practice networks and chapters.
- Provided bundled discounted CNE opportunities for specialty practices within nephrology nursing.
- Awarded over \$100,000 in Scholarships, Awards and Grants to members.

New Year's Focus:

- Expand online CE services.
- Publish electronic version of Nephrology Nursing Scope of Practice and Standards of Care.
- Provide and deliver education programs for chapters.
- Develop and provide in your hand practice focused tools.
- Focus on recruitment and retention of nephrology nurses within the specialty and within the association.
- Participate in collaborations and partnerships within the nephrology and nursing communities.
- Advocate for nephrology nursing within the health policy arena.
- Expand meeting attendance at educational events.
- Increase membership.
- Expand and redesign ANNA's Web site, www.annanurse.org.
- Develop and mentor current and new leaders within the organization.
- Help shape Quality Improvement Programs (QIP) for hospital-based and freestanding facilities that provide renal dialysis services to Medicare beneficiaries.

Current Interests:

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

American Nurses Association
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President: Karen Daley PhD, MPH, RN, FAAN
Executive Director: Marla Weston PhD, RN

Past Year's Progress: ANA made significant progress toward our five strategic imperatives.

- 1) Professional Practice Excellence: New documents and resources on scope and standards, ethics and specialty nursing standards of practice were released. New CNE included social media and diversity. NDNQI continues to grow, as have ANA initiatives around the National Quality Enterprise and Health Information Technology meaningful use.
- 2) Healthcare and Public Policy: ANA is heavily invested in anticipating, monitoring and intervening on the regulatory implementation of ACA. We participate in federal legislation on key issues of nursing practice and workplace. The American Nurses Advocacy Institute helps build capacity for grassroots efforts. Our 10 year environmental health survey is being analyzed. We continue to support implementation of the consensus model for APRN regulation.
- 3) Knowledge & Research: Dissemination of a library of ANA policy briefs. We are upgrading the website for more intuitive use. Mosby's Nursing Consult was launched for members
- 4) Unification: Implementation of a new AMS to support membership recruitment and retention.
- 5) Advocacy for the Workforce & Workplace: Safe staffing, safe needles and safe patient handling are priorities. A health care economist was hired, and work is progressing on cost effective of nursing. Work continues with the Alliance for the Ethical International Recruitment Practices.

New Year's Focus: During 2012, ANA will focus on:

- Building relationships to advance our mutual agendas.
- Membership recruitment and retention.
- Professional practice excellence and resources for nurses.
- Placement of nurses on key boards and committees.
- Nursing workforce planning and development.
- Scope of practice and reimbursement for nursing services. Special emphasis on home health legislation.
- Legislative and regulatory implementation of health care and public policy.
- Safe staffing, safe needles and safe patient handling.
- The Future of Nursing report.
- Nursing and community vaccination rates.

Current Interests: See number 2

American Organization of Nurse Executives (AONE)

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President: Pamela A. Thompson, MS, RN, CENP, FAAN
President Elect: Laura Caramanica, RN, PhD, CENP, FACHE

Past Year's Progress: AONE membership reached 8,000 members. AONE has directed its advocacy efforts with a number of initiatives, including increased lobbying efforts in affiliation with the Coalition for Health Funding, a broad group of health related associations. AONE also continues its support of the nationwide rollout of the Future of Nursing report through state chapter support of the Regional Action Committees (RAC) and is also involved at the national level through its representation on a number of key committees. AONE continues to monitor the legislative and regulatory efforts to reshape the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) by providing a nursing perspective on requests for proposals and draft legislation. AONE adopted a new mission statement - to shape health care through innovative and expert nursing leadership - and identified a new overall identity and logo, and a new website design was launched. AONE held its 44th Annual Meeting and Exposition in San Diego, CA and hosted over 2,500 nurse leaders. AONE launched the new Center for Care Innovation and Transformation (CCIT) a program whose foundation builds on the basic tenets of Transforming Care at the Bedside (TCAB) aiming to improve quality and safety of patient care on medical and surgical units through front-line staff engagement. The AONE Foundation for Nursing Leadership Research and Education (AONE Foundation) was established in 2010 to support the research and educational priorities of AONE.

New Year's Focus: The AONE Strategic Plan will focus on the following content areas for the coming year:

- Future Patient Care Delivery Systems
- Healthful Practice Environments
- Quality and Safety
- Health Care Reform and Policy
- Workforce Supply/Competency
- Leadership

Current Interests: IOM Future of Nursing report, membership growth, health care reform, nursing research and education

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Deerfield, IL 60015

President: Jenny Kreiss, RN, MN, CPNP
President Elect: Ellen O'Donnell, RN, MN, CPNP
Executive Director: none

Past Year's Progress: Our membership topped 500 as a result of partnering with AORN and ANA to appeal to pediatric OR nurses. Our 3rd edition textbook, Nursing Care of the Pediatric Surgical Patient, will be released in 2012.

New Year's Focus: Our membership is increasingly diverse. We want to stay relevant to RN's, APN's and PA's in an era of increasing technology and decreased institutional support. We aim to hold the best (and only) annual scientific meeting for pediatric surgical nurses in the world, held each May in conjunction with the American Pediatric Surgery annual meeting.

Current Interests:

1. Partnering with other pediatric nursing groups
2. The changing role of midlevel acute care subspecialists in the hospital setting
3. Reaching our audience through web-based media
4. Providing a nourishing professional "home" for pediatric surgical professionals worldwide
5. International outreach through US-based internships and global pediatric surgical outreach

American Psychiatric Nurses Association
1555 Wilson Blvd, Suite 530
Arlington, VA 22209

President: Marlene Nadler-Moodie MSN, APRN, PMHCNS-BC
President Elect: Beth Phoenix, PhD, RN, CNS
Executive Director: Nicholas Croce Jr, MS

Past Year's Progress: APNA has enjoyed continued membership growth. Results through September 15, 2011 show a 12.5% increase over the same period in 2010. The introduction of the APNA "social networking" system known as Member Bridge has provided a forum that ties members from all regions together. Implementation of the APNA e-Learning Center with a bonus point system is providing members affordable and accessible CE opportunities. The Board of Directors with strong input from the APNA membership has provided a series of recommendations to bring PMHN into alignment with the APRN Consensus Model. These recommendations when implemented will reduce the confusion both within PMHN as well for other stakeholders in the health care profession.

New Year's Focus: APNA will be engaging its members and governing board in the development of a new strategic plan. The plan of three ago has served the organization well but is in need of updating as many of the goals have been achieved or substantially completed. It is expected that the new plan will have as focus greater implementation of the recovery model into practice. Recovery is well accepted in the area of substance use disorders but is less appreciated in the area of mental illness. For example, patients who suffer from schizophrenia can also be in recovery. APNA will also work to increase research efforts in the area of staffing for inpatient PMH.

Current Interests: PMH care for veterans Safe Staffing for inpatient facilities Staff Safety and Violence Reduction Reduce Suicide Outcomes Research Recovery Care of the psychiatric patient in an emergency setting

American Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses
90 Frontage Road
Cherry Hill, NJ 8034

President: Chris Price, MSN, RN, CPAN, CAPA
President Elect: Susan Carter, BSN, RN, CPAN, CAPA
Executive Director: Kevin G. Dill

Past Year's Progress: Planned 11th Component Development Institute and Program; Invited to speak on a panel with representatives from ASA and AORN on perioperative and perianesthesia nursing perspectives related to communications/challenges and opportunities. Additions/modifications to the ASPAN National Office were completed this past year. ASPAN now has a new 18,000 square foot office which will greatly enhance how operations will be carried out. SWT/Committee Activities: Safety SWT: Reviewing the safety-related portion of ASPAN's Perianesthesia Nursing Standards and Practice Recommendations; ;and an article on bedside medication verification (BMV) for Breathline is in progress. ASPAN has signed onto letter sent to the secretary of Department of Health and Human Services rejecting proposed cuts to programs within HRSA's Bureau of Health Professions (BHP). These include Title VII health professions education and training programs, which enhance the supply, diversity, and distribution of the health care workforce; Clinical Practice Committee: ASPAN's Clinical Practice Committee responds to more than 100 per month, Demographics show that 57% were from members and 43% from non-members. International questions from Canada and the Virgin Islands. Hot topics are staffing (all phases), discharge criteria for regional blocks, nurse's role in injecting local anesthetic for blocks, competencies, pre-op pregnancy testing

New Year's Focus: ? Research Committee/EBP/S&G: The Standards & Guidelines SWT and EBP SWT have begun work on recommendations for Obstructive Sleep Apnea; Strategic Query and Discovery teams (SQADs) formed to review literature in time for the S&G SWT in the fall. OSA Integrated literature reviews underway. Research Grant application revised and under final review. Tracking of current grant status initiated and draft tracking form produced. Draft of Practice Recommendation Process Description underway. Four (4) research track abstracts accepted for 2012 National Conference podium and/or panel presentations. ? International PeriAnesthesia Nursing Conference Planning for the 2011 International Conference (October 3-5 Toronto, Canada) continues. To date, attendance is expected to be >450 based upon current registration numbers.

Current Interests: International Nursing ventures and networking. Nursing Shortage that is coming. Issues pro/con to Nationwide Health Care Informatics - common ground

American Society of Plastic Surgical Nurses
500 Cummings Center, Suite 4550
Beverly, MA 1915

President: Sharon Fritzsche, MSN, RN, FNP-BC, CPSN
President Elect: Sue Kunz, BS, RN, CPSN
Executive Director: Lindsay De Santis

Past Year's Progress: The mission of ASPSN is to employ education and research to promote practice excellence, nursing leadership, optimal patient safety, and outcomes by using evidence-based practice as a foundation of care. The Society promoted knowledge and practice excellence through published articles in Plastic Surgery News - the official Journal of the ASPSN, publishing the ASPSNews bimonthly newsletter, and presenting the 36th Annual ASPSN Convention in Toronto. ASPSN has also adopted a "Green" mentality and has introduced electronic membership cards.

New Year's Focus: The following were identified as being the goals ASPSN will work toward in the coming year:

- Increasing membership and member retention-enhancing member value; Re-energizing the relationship with American Society of Plastic Surgeons (ASPS);
- Engaging members and potential new member through social media (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn)

Current Interests: The ASPSN is interested in new member benefits and renewal strategies; Increasing website activity and social media; Increasing the knowledge of the specialty in the community and the importance of certification (CPSN).

American Medical Informatics Association (AMIA)
4720 Montgomery Lane, Suite 500
Bethesda, MD 20814

President: Rosemary Kennedy - NIWG Chair
President Elect: Brian Gugerty - NOA Representative
Executive Director: Karen Greenwood - AMIA EVP

Past Year's Progress: AMIA is the center of action for more than 4,000 health care professionals, informatics researchers and thought leaders in biomedicine, health care and science. AMIA is an unbiased, authoritative source within the informatics community and the health care industry. AMIA and its members are transforming health care through trusted science, education and practice in biomedical and health informatics. Informatics is the science of how to use data, information technology, and knowledge to improve human health and the delivery of health care services. AMIA represents and serves leading informaticians, including nurses and other clinicians, scientists, researchers, educators, students and other informatics professionals, who rely on data to connect people, information and technology. Communication and collaboration among AMIA members is key to advancing the goals of the organization and its membership, and to improving the profession itself. The 22 AMIA Working Groups offer current members the opportunity to exchange information on particular areas of biomedical and health informatics with colleagues and become involved in the development of positions, white papers, programs and other activities that benefit the informatics community. One of AMIA's most active groups is the Nursing Informatics Working Group (NIWG).

New Year's Focus: In 2011, NIWG began a major initiative to refocus the working group back to its roots of nursing and health informatics research and scholarship. NIWG believes this effort is a critical need as discovery and applied research involving nurses, nursing care and informatics has not kept up with the explosion of informatics into healthcare. Because of this disparity, nurses' contribution risks being kept invisible and not fostered. To this extent, NIWG has active projects in the following areas:

- Leadership roles in informatics standards organizations to define models for the patient centered plan of care;
- Active involvement in developing data and communication standards to build an interoperable national data infrastructure;
- Initiative to create a strategy and roadmap for nursing informatics research focused on both the creation and dissemination of informatics knowledge;
- Definition of healthcare policy to advance the public's health evidenced by numerous public comments to national requests for input; and
- Educational webinars focused on dissemination of informatics knowledge into practice.

Current Interests: In 2012, NIWG will continue to focus its efforts to promote nursing informatics research and scholarship as well as work with AMIA in its interdisciplinary focus on education and training in informatics. Our 10x10 program focused on nursing informatics will again be offered in 2012. The course, offered by the School of Nursing at the University of Minnesota is directed to both a generic overview of nursing and health informatics and the specific application of information and communication technologies in the clinical area. The course examines the implications of informatics for nursing practice, public health, and healthcare. The course is intended for nursing professionals with an interest in health informatics. AMIA will also continue to co-manage the Alliance for Nursing Informatics with HIMSS. ANI represents thousands of nurses and brings together 26 nursing informatics groups that function separately at local, regional, national and international levels. ANI, along with liaison representation from ANA and its member organizations, is dedicated to:

- Maintaining open communication channels to expand our membership outreach
- Encouraging nursing informatics competencies, education, training, publication, and professional development
- Engaging in issues of national importance in health information technology and provide leadership
- Promoting and enhancing the professional practice of nursing informatics
- Supporting nursing informatics research For more information on AMIA or ANI, visit our web sites at www.amia.org or www.allianceni.org.

Association of periOperative Registered Nurses (AORN)
2170 South Parker Road
Denver, CO 80231

President: Anne Marie Herlehy DNP RN CNOR
President Elect: Deborah Spratt MPA BSN RN CNOR NEA
Executive Director: Linda Groah MSN RN CNOR NEA BC FAAN

Past Year's Progress: AORN's Recommended Practices Committee transitioned to an Advisory Board that will review draft documents developed by subject matter experts. AORN is now rating the levels of scientific evidence associated with the RP's using the ONS Evidence Rating System. Development is beginning on the second phase of SYNTEGRITY that will include a data repository and portal that will have the capability to sort data for reporting to external agencies, benchmarking and exchange of information between facilities. The Clinical Nursing PRactices Committee launched a toolkit to assist in implementing successful practices to prevent injury to team members from sharps. Periop 101 is a Core Curriculum used by educators to train new perioperative nurses. The 6 month course utilizes mentors to support the development of the novice nurse in the transition to the perioperative environment. AORN recently signed an agreement with Versant to utilize the course as part of the nurse residency program that they offer. A version of the curriculum is available for Labor and Delivery Nurses. Silent Treatment - AORN partnered with VitalSmarts and AACN to conduct a study on the effectiveness of safety tools in healthcare settings. The study included 6,500 nurses and nurse managers. 60% indicated that a safety tool warned them of a problem, however, two-thirds indicated they could not effectively speak up and solve the problem.

New Year's Focus: In 2012 AORN will focus on the IOM report on The Future of Nursing through the implementation of programs geared to engage members and develop leadership skills. The Universal Access project is the result of a membership survey that indicated members have different needs and would like to have options for membership in AORN. Under review are how the current benefits can be sorted and packaged in different ways. AORN is developing a product line focused on serving the needs of the ASC market. Current and new products will have a focus on caring for the ambulatory patient and meeting the regulatory requirements for the facility. AORN conducted focus groups in 8 cities to assess the needs of the perioperative executive. As a result a new division has been created to focus on developing unique products and services for this group of members and non members. Legislative priorities developed for 2011-12 will continue to be the center of AORN's advocacy agenda. At the state level the concentration is on the RN serving as the circulator on all surgical procedures. At the national level AORN is focused on having representation on national committees such as NQF, AARP and CMS.

Current Interests: Use of social media Pressure ulcer prevention Nurse advocacy at the state and national level Simulation centers of excellence Engaging the young professionals Collaboration with other specialty organizations on areas of mutual interest Board of Directors development

American Society for Pain Management Nursing (ASPMN)
PO Box 15473
Lenexa, KS 66285

President: Joann Eland, PhD, RN
President Elect: Joyce Willens, PhD, RN-BC
Executive Director: Jerrie Lynn Kind

Past Year's Progress: ASPMN celebrated its 20th anniversary this year! To commemorate this event, its Board of Directors, Past Presidents and Founding Members gathered at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville as ASPMN's history was inducted into their Nursing Library. ASPMN continues to educate their members in best practices regarding pain management nursing and recently became an ANCC provider of continuing education.

New Year's Focus: ASPMN is focusing on state legislation, working with the AAAP on the recently awarded Prescribers Clinical Support System for Opioids grant, and continuing to meet the needs of its membership by enhancing the role of pain management practitioners.

Current Interests: Legislative issues regarding pain management Advancement in pain management care and practice Developing new sources of organizational revenue Grants and research funding Liaison and collaborative opportunities

Association for Radiologic & Imaging Nursing
5321 E Avenida De Golf
Pensacola, FL 32514

President: Linda McDonald, MSN, RN, CRN
President Elect: Christy E. Lee, MSN, APRN-BC, CRN
Executive Director: Jon Dancy, MIT, MBA, CMA, CAE

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

- Conducted two national educational meetings- 30th Annual Convention and 5th Fall Symposium
- Celebrated our 30th Anniversary as an association with a gala celebration in March 2011, in Chicago, IL
- Initiated webinars for nurses working in the imaging arena to obtain specialty related continuing education credit
- Conducted the ARIN Imaging Nurse Review Course at both national ARIN educational meetings and at 4 contracted sites
- Supported the work of the Radiologic Nursing Certification Board in its efforts to have the certified radiology nurse a national certification
- Continued to work to incorporate competencies into our very successful Orientation Manual.
- Initiated the revision process for the third edition of the Core Curriculum for Radiologic & Imaging Nursing with a deadline for early 2013.
- Initiated the revision process for the revisions to the Scope & Standards of Practice for Radiology Nursing.
- Approved a position statement on Safety in the Treatment of the Bariatric Patient in the Imaging Department
- ARIN increased the number of pages in the Journal of Radiology Nursing
- ARIN is excited about the release of the Joint Practice Guideline for Sterile Technique During Vascular and Interventional Radiology Procedures. This was a collaborative project between SIR, ARIN and AORN and will be published in the Journal of Radiology Nursing in December 2011.

New Year's Focus: The focus for the coming year will be:

- Increase membership at the national and local level
- Review and enhance member benefits
- Conduct our 31st Annual Convention in San Francisco, CA, March 25-28, 2012
- Conduct our 6th Fall Symposium in Pittsburgh, PA, September 29-30, 2012
- Market ARIN webinars to healthcare personnel working in the imaging environment
- Market our Imaging Nurse Review Course to chapters and institutions
- Complete position statement on Patient Positioning in the Imaging Department
- Complete the revisions and incorporation of competencies into the ARIN Orientation Manual, Core Curriculum, and Scope & Standards
- Review and update strategic plan
- Explore collaboration with other organizations with similar interests in improving the standard of care in the imaging department

Current Interests: Topics and Issues of Interest:

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

Association of Nurses in AIDS Care
3538 Ridgewood Road
Akron, OH 4433

President: Robert T. Carroll, PhD (c), RN, ACRN
President Elect: Suzanne Willard, PhD, CRNP, FAAN
Executive Director: Adele Webb, PhD, RN, ACRN, DPNAP, FAAN

Past Year's Progress: ANAC has spent the last year examining its strategic position for the next 10 years. Given the changes in the epidemic, the Affordable Care Act, and the health care system, ANAC is responsive to the nuances of a new tomorrow.

New Year's Focus: ANAC will spend the next year implementing new strategies identified via needs assessments, think tanks and focus groups.

Current Interests: Emerging infectious diseases HIV/AIDS Vulnerable populations

Association of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nurses
4700 W. Lake Ave
Glenview, IL 60025

President: Melody Ann Watral, MSN RN CPNP CPON
President Elect: (none)
Executive Director: David Bergeson, Ph.D., CAE

Past Year's Progress: This past year has been a busy one for APHON. We have published two position papers: Social Media in the Workplace and Educating the Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nurse. We are also about to publish a third position paper Fertility Preservation for Pediatric and Adolescent Young Adult (AYA) Cancer Patients. We have also released several new or revised publications. One of our new products is a powerpoint/video presentation on a flash drive: Biologic & Chemotherapeutic Therapy for the Non-Cancer Pediatric Patient. We have also released a third edition of The Pediatric Chemotherapy and Biotherapy Curriculum, which is the foundation for APHON's Pediatric Chemotherapy and Biotherapy Provider Course. We have also released a new handbook for families on Immune Thrombocytopenic Purpura. We are also about to release new versions of APHON/PBMTC Foundations of Pediatric HPCT and Foundations of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nursing. Both of these publications will likely be released via flash drives, rather than CDs. Most importantly, we have just released the fourth edition of Nursing Care of Children and Adolescents with Cancer. The fourth edition has grown from 800 pages to 1300 pages, and incorporates content on pediatric hematology as well as pediatric oncology. Our conference, held in Anaheim, California just concluded with approximately 1,000 attendees. It was the largest conference in APHON's history. Our membership stands at approximately 3,500 individuals, and has grown approximately 10% each year.

New Year's Focus: APHON updated our strategic plan this year. We have the following four goals:

Goal 1: To become an influential leader in defining the future of nursing.

Goal 2: To identify knowledge gaps among healthcare providers caring for children, adolescents and young adults with cancer and blood disorders and fill the gaps with high-quality educational programs and products.

Goal 3: To increase membership by 8% from targeted stakeholder groups.

Goal 4: To develop Evidence-Based Practice Guidelines and supports research activities within the membership optimizing outcomes for children, adolescents and young adults with cancer and blood disorders.

Current Interests: IOM/Future of Nursing Report Mentoring Programs Evidence-Based Practice and Research

Association of Rehabilitation Nurses
4700 W. Lake Avenue
Glenview, IL 60025

President: Susan Wirt, BSN RN CCM CLCP CRP CRRN

President Elect: Michelle Camicia, MSN RN CRRN

Executive Director: Karen Nason, CAE

Past Year's Progress: Increased awareness of the value of ARN to DOD and VA nurses. We increased the number of nurses taking the CRRN exam and the total number of certified nurses. ARN increased our members knowledge and participation in public policy relevant to rehabilitation nursing. We held a special webinar for chapter leaders on the topic of media relations - working with both reporters and legislative contacts. In 2011, we will complete the 6th edition of The Specialty Practice of Rehabilitation Nursing: A Core Curriculum. We also completed Clinical Practice Guidelines that were developed collaboratively with AAN and IOMSN on Mild Traumatic Brain Injury and Multiple Sclerosis.

New Year's Focus: Growth in membership, new product offerings, and continued growth in certification.

Current Interests: ARN has developed a paper titled, "How to Prepare a Patient to go to Rehab: Preventing Readmissions" that we plan to share with other specialty nursing organizations.

Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses (AWHONN)
2000 L Street NW, Suite 740
Washington, DC 20036

President: Kathleen Hale, BSN, CNA, MHA, RN
President Elect: Rose Horton, MSM, RNC
Executive Director: Karen Peddicord, RNC, PhD

Past Year's Progress:

- 1.) In late 2010, AWHONN published, "Guidelines for Professional Registered Nurse Staffing for Perinatal Units" (Guidelines). The goal of the Guidelines is to promote a safe environment and allow perinatal nurses to spend more time caring for mothers and babies. Since its release, the Guidelines have been formally endorsed by: American Academy of Pediatrics; National Association of Neonatal Nurses; American College of Nurse-Midwives; American Nurses Association; National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners; International Lactation Consultant Association; United States Lactation Consultant Association; March of Dimes; and Association of Perioperative Registered Nurses. Also, since the time of the release, AWHONN has hosted a series of webinars, surveys, and in-person educational sessions. AWHONN will continue to offer resources that will help more institutions implement the Guidelines.
- 2.) In 2011, AWHONN has published several important clinical resources and position statements. They are: "Perioperative Care of the Pregnant Woman"; "Neonatal Education and Orientation Program, 2nd ed"; "Health Information Technology for the Perinatal Setting"; "Nursing Support of Laboring Women"; "Women's Cardiovascular Health"; and "Shackling Incarcerated Pregnant Women" (expected November 2011).
- 3.) In June 2011, AWHONN hosted its annual Convention in Denver, Colorado attracting over 2,900 attendees and offering up to 34.75 contact hours of Continuing Nursing Education.

New Year's Focus:

- 1.) AWHONN launched its Late Preterm Infant Initiative in 2005 to help raise awareness of the special needs of this population of vulnerable newborns. We have progressed from raising awareness, to the development of educational resources, and are now in the third phase of this project, evaluating change in nursing practice related to caring for these babies. We plan to disseminate the results of our research in 2012.
- 2.) AWHONN received a grant from Johnson and Johnson to expand our Emerging Leaders Program (ELP) in 2012. Launched in 2007, the ELP engages a diverse group of AWHONN members in a year-long management training program.
- 3.) AWHONN will host its 2012 national Convention from June 23-27 at the Gaylord National Hotel and Convention Center, National Harbor, Maryland.
- 4.) AWHONN will convene its section and chapter leaders in the Washington, DC-area in October 2012. Since 2009, the group has gathered via webinar and conference call. However, the in-person conference, which includes educational sessions, networking events, and Capitol Hill visits, will be revived next year.

Current Interests: Preterm Birth Perinatal Nurse Staffing Maternal Health Preconception Care Health Care Reform Implementation Women's Health

CGFNS International
3600 Market Street, Suite 400
Philadelphia, PA 19104

President: Carol Bradley, MSN, RN
Executive Director: Franklin A. Shaffer, EdD, RN, FAAN

Past Year's Progress: CGFNS International continued its pivotal role as a resource for certification, verification, evaluation, and examination of nurse professionals worldwide. We are sharing our expertise with other countries around the globe as we expand our ISPN assessment and educational programs to China, Vietnam and Thailand. Dr. Franklin Shaffer, RN, FAAN was appointed CEO upon the retirement of Barbara Nichols. We were saddened with the passing of Adele Herwitz our founding Executive Director: a special fund has been created in her honor. We moved to web-based version of our Qualifying Exam® and also launched an educational alliance with the Thailand Nursing and Midwifery Council. In 2011, CGFNS International's research data was used for three publications:

- International Models of Nursing, prepared for the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation for the Initiative on the Future of Nursing at the Institute of Medicine;
- Global Nurse Migration, a chapter in Policy and Politics in Nursing and Health Care (sixth edition);
- An Integrated Review of Global Nursing Workforce Issues, a chapter for the National Institute of Nursing Research Annual Review of Nursing Research. The World Health Organization and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development appointed CGFNS International to the Technical Work Group for the implementation of the Code of Practice on the International Recruitment of Health Personnel.

New Year's Focus: Next Year's Focus: Expanding the International Educational Institute programs along with several new global assessment and research initiatives.

Emergency Nurses Association
915 Lee Street
Des Plaines, IL 60016

President: AnnMarie Papa, DNP, RN, CEN, NE-BC, FAEN
President Elect: Gail Lenehan, EdD, MSN, RN, FAEN, FAAN
Executive Director: Susan M. Hohenhaus, MA, RN, CEN, FAEN

Past Year's Progress: The Emergency Nurses Association was formally recognized as a nursing specialty by the American Nurses Association. ANA approved ENA's Emergency Nursing Scope and Standards. The first annual ENA Lantern Award was presented to 20 exemplary emergency departments. An emergency department violence surveillance study continues and a Violence Prevention Toolkit was launched. ENA hired a nurse as its new executive director, Susan Hohenhaus, MA, RN, CEN, FAEN. ENA joined the National Quality Forum and Kathy Szumanski, MSN, RN, BC, of ENA's staff is the only nurse on the cardiovascular measures group; 2011 ENA President AnnMarie Papa, DNP, RN, CEN, NE-BC, FAEN, is seated on the leadership council. A TeamSTEPPS pilot program with coaching of teamwork and communication skills in real time was conducted. A Learning Management System was launched in August. Partnerships with multiple stakeholders resulted in consensus statements on suicide in the emergency department, helicopter shopping and emergency department metrics. While many professional membership organizations have struggled this past year with finances, membership retention and growth and meeting attendance, ENA's membership grew to 39,412 in September 2011, and the organization continues to maintain a healthy financial position. For the fourth consecutive year, ENA is ranked as one of the 101 best and brightest companies to work for in Chicagoland.

New Year's Focus: ENA will focus on programs and issues according to its mission to advocate for patient safety and excellence in emergency nursing practice. It recognizes the necessity of a fluid action plan, and is poised to respond to situations that will affect its members and enhance and improve emergency nursing. ENA is developing standards and criteria for student nurse experience in the emergency department, emergency nurse residency programs and educational bundles related to emergency nursing for academic credit. Findings of an ENA and BCEN research study, "Emergency Care Nurses: Certification Empowerment, Anticipated Turnover and Intent to Leave the Position and Nursing Profession," will be released. The Geriatric Emergency Nursing Education (GENE) course is under revision. Education for Advanced Practice Nurses is in development. ENA's Sheehy's Manual of Emergency Care 7th edition will be published in 2012. A Certified Pediatric Emergency Nurse Review Manual will be released. Emergency department staffing guidelines revision project will be finalized. The EMINENCE mentorship program of the Academy of Emergency Nursing has 11 mentor-mentee partners.

Current Interests:

1. Emergency care at home and abroad
2. Crowding, boarding, throughput and patient flow
3. Culture of inquiry, learning and collaboration within our profession
4. Culture of safe practice and safe care
5. Expanding and fortifying ENA's membership
6. Maintaining an international presence
7. Psychiatric emergency patient care
8. Workplace violence

Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association

One Penn Center West, Suite 229
Pittsburgh, PA 15276-0100

President: Todd Hultman, PhD, RN
President Elect: JoAnne Reifsnnyder, PhD, RN
Executive Director: Judy Lentz, RN, MSN, NHA

Past Year's Progress: 2011 was the 25th Anniversary of HPNA. Many celebratory events were held - at our Annual Assembly, at Leadership Weekend and at the Clinical Practice Forum. Membership was very involved in these celebrations and enjoyed the reminiscing. Our membership continues to grow and the pace is increasing. We are matching the same growth rates of 1000/year that we enjoyed annually from 2000-2008. During the recession our growth rate slowed but remained positive. Now to our pleasure, our old growth patterns have returned

New Year's Focus: Focus for 2012 will be the transition of CEOs with the retirement plans of the current CEO. Additionally, we will focus on the growing palliative care emphasis externally resulting from the focus of health care changes, consumer need and the Joint Commission Palliative Care Certificate program. Internally, we are focusing on continuing competence, interdisciplinary education modeling consistent with our long standing practice pattern and a new strategic plan and a new research agenda. Our plan is to seek a planning grant for a Palliative Care Nursing Leadership Institute.

Current Interests: Meeting the palliative care needs; the growing demands of palliative care advance practice nurses; interdisciplinary education; continuing competence; palliative care nursing leadership

Infusion Nurses Society (INS)

315 Norwood Park South
Norwood, MA 2062

President: Jeanette Adams, PhD, ACNS, BC, CRNI®
President Elect: Kathy Puglise, MSN/ED, RN, CRNI®
Executive Director: Mary Alexander, MA, RN, CRNI®, CAE, FAAN

Past Year's Progress: INS grew its membership by nearly 600 members (9.6%) in 2010. In addition, we spent 2010 revising Infusion Nursing Standards of Practice and Policies and Procedures for Infusion Nursing which were both published on January 25, 2011 (IV Nurse Day). Lastly, we developed our online education portal the INS Knowledge Center.

New Year's Focus: Our focus for 2012 will be on revising several of our existing educational resources, expanding the learning opportunities on the INS Knowledge Center, and increasing the membership.

Current Interests: Reimbursement issues for IVIG Establishment/Re-establishment of IV Teams

International Association of Forensic Nurses
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Elkridge, MD 21075

President: Eileen Allen, MSN, RN, FN-CSA, SANE-A, SANE-P
President Elect: Jenifer Markowitz, ND, RN, WHNP-BC, SANE-A
Executive Director: Carey Goryl, MSW, CAE

Past Year's Progress: IAFN launched its new Member Community (used Higher Logic) and response has been positive. IAFN hired a nurse filmmaker, Sue Hagedorn to create a 30 minute documentary on Forensic Nursing. We will debut the film at our Annual Meeting this October and it will be free to access and watch via www.youtube.com/forensicnurses. IAFN hired a Lobbyist, Patrick Cooney to begin monitoring legislation. We are drafting our first legislative agenda. IAFN was awarded several new federal grants from the Department of Justice on issues effecting sexual assault nurse examiners and their training. IAFN successfully partnered with the American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants to produce a joint webinar for our members. Hope to plan more webinars together in the future. Over half of IAFN's chapters were given to chapter websites hosted through the association's new community website. Progress continues to help chapters develop and maintain their own websites. IAFN is moving forward to develop a Forensic Nurse Core Curriculum. An outline has been drafted and approved by our board and now the curriculum is under further development. IAFN Home Office went Virtual November 1, 2011 (and not a minute too soon!)

New Year's Focus: Next year our focus will be on developing more online education for forensic nurses via online courses and webinars. IAFN will also increase its legislative activity once the organization's legislative agenda has been approved. IAFN partnered with Elsevier Publishing to produce a new book, the Atlas of Sexual Violence which will debut in March 2012. IAFN is also celebrating its 20th anniversary in 2012 and our annual meeting will take place Puerto Rico, October 2012.

Current Interests: Legislative advocacy Educational partnerships Virtual organization

National Association of Neonatal Nurses
4700 W. Lake Ave
Glenview, IL 60025

President: Susan Reinartz RN, MSN, NNP-BC
President Elect: Cheryl Ann Carlson PhD, APRN, NNP-BC
Executive Director: Catherine H. Underwood MBA, CAE

Past Year's Progress: During the last year, we created the NANN Research Institute whose Steering Council is led by Dr. Jacqueline McGrath. The Institute will advance neonatal nursing research and education by establishing a research agenda, directing and funding research studies, translating these findings into clinical applications, and disseminating this information through education and other informational means. Throughout the year, NANN has disseminated information regarding the IOM report on the Future of Nursing in a variety of ways including a keynote presentation by Becky Patton at our recent and very successful annual conference. In an effort to improve member networking and communication, NANN invested in a private social networking community which has been embraced enthusiastically by the SIGs, chapters and members at large. Most recently, we have used it as a "work space" for our task forces, committees and board. Finally, we launched the updated and improved edition of our evidence-based "Policies, Procedures, and Competencies for Neonatal Nursing Care".

New Year's Focus: NANN's mission is to provide support and professional development for neonatal nurses throughout their career. To that end, NANN will be focused on growing membership and reinforcing the value that professional association membership provides as their partners along that continuum.

Current Interests:

1. distinct activities to build membership in the younger generation of nurses
2. continue building NANN presence in LACE and APRN alliance
3. define additional professional association networking opportunities for members.

National Association of Orthopaedic Nurses
401 North Michigan Ave. #1900
Chicago, IL 60611

President: Mary Jo Satusky, BSN, RN, ONC, CCRC
President Elect: Christy Oakes, MSN, RN, ONC
Executive Director: Kaye Englebrecht, CAE

Past Year's Progress: NAON has seen our membership remain stable with approximately 5800 members in 2010. Our annual Educational Congress held in Baltimore, Maryland was very successful with more than 1300 in attendance. NAON has seen continued growth in industry involvement with better than planned for support in 2010. NAON completed our "Introduction to Orthopaedic Nursing" (4th ed.) "Advanced pain topics in Orthopaedics" an online course, and "Osteoporosis: a nursing course via jump drive in 2010. NAON also developed practice points on the following, acute pain, chronic pain, constipation, hemorrhage, nosocomial surgical site infection, and postoperative urinary retention. NAON developed a new 3 year strategic plan that focuses on Education, Visibility, Research and Outcomes, and Technology. NAON ventured into social media with the creation of Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn sites.

New Year's Focus: NAON will focus on membership growth in 2012. We have developed a "corporate package" of membership benefits that will be offered to institutions and hospitals at a discounted rate. We have also developed a series of orthopaedic nursing webinars that will be available to members only. NAON will be publishing the 7th edition of the NAON Core Curriculum in early spring. NAON will continue to emphasize the use of social media through use of Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn. The NAON Annual Congress will be held May 19 - 22, 2012. Our theme for the 2012 event is "Envision, Energize, Engage" Join us at the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, 900 Convention Center Blvd, New Orleans, LA 70130 for NAON's 32nd Annual Congress.

Current Interests: Membership growth - how to engage younger members Social Media

National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners
20 Brace Road, Suite 200
Cherry Hill, NJ 8034

President: Cheri Barber, DNP, RN, CRNP
President Elect: Susan Van Cleve, DNP, RN, CPNP-PC
Executive Director:

Past Year's Progress: The National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP) is the leading national professional association for PNs and other advanced practice nurses whose careers focus on child health. NAPNAP has a growing membership of nearly 7500 members and 48 chapters nationwide working to achieve common goals and carry out our mission to promote children's health and provide leadership in advanced practice nursing. NAPNAP educated 46 NAPNAP Pediatric Asthma Trainers (NPATs) at a Pediatric Asthma Education (PAE) Training Program in January 2011. NPATs are successfully offering training sessions nationally and an online module on asthma pharmacology has been developed. NAPNAP developed or revised 6 position statements on the topics of: Child Maltreatment; Corporal Punishment; Health Risks and Needs of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Questioning (LGBTQ) Adolescents; Pediatric Nurse Practitioner's Role in Disasters Involving Children; Pediatric Nurse Practitioner's Role in Supporting Infant and Family Well-Being During the First Year of Life; and Supporting Children and Families in Early Care and Education. NAPNAP hosted a successful 32nd annual conference in Baltimore, MD in March, 2011 and continues to provide continuing education to members/non-members through PNPSourCE, an online community for Pediatric Health Care Continuing Education and offers a Career Center for members, which is a web-based career center that connects job seekers with prospective employers.

New Year's Focus: NAPNAP's vision is to be recognized and respected as a leader in the movement to obtain universal access to health care for all children and families, to obtain parity of access to PNs/APRNs by health care consumers and to be the professional organization for all PNs/APRNs who care for children and adolescents. NAPNAP has implemented a state based effort, Growing Grass Roots Advocacy, for PNs and provided chapters with state based advocacy tools. NAPNAP hopes to continue to increase the association's presence, position and relationships in multiple communities. NAPNAP is currently seeking for a candidate to serve as the Chief Executive Officer for the organization and hopes to have a new CEO on board prior to the Fall Summit. The Office of Women's Health provided NAPNAP a contract to offer a conference on Promoting Adolescent Sexual Health in conjunction with the American School Health Association Annual conference in Louisville, KY on October 12, 2011. NAPNAP is in the process of integrating a new very robust and flexible web-based solution database system, Association Anywhere, which will be user-friendly and compatible with NAPNAP's existing systems. In October, board members will gather for their annual Fall Board meeting and in March NAPNAP will host its 33rd Annual Conference in San Antonio, TX. NAPNAP continues to be a successful and productive association due to the dedication and commitment of its leaders, members and staff.

National Association of School Nurses
8484 Georgia Avenue, Suite 420
Silver Spring, MD 20910

President: Linda Davis-Aldritt, RN, MA, PHN, FNASN, FASHA
President Elect: Carolyn Duff, RN, MS, NCSN
Executive Director: Donna Mazyck, RN, MS, NCSN

Past Year's Progress:

The National Association of School Nurses (NASN) has increased membership to nearly 16,000 members during the 2010 – 2011 year. We have presented a major annual conference on the theme: “Vision, Voice, Visibility: Setting Sail towards Healthy Horizons” in Washington DC. We have enhanced our collaborations with key stakeholders (Institute for Pediatric Nursing, NYU Oral Health, School Health professional associations) and have received grants from national leaders in health, including the Centers for Disease Control and the American Dental Association. NASN is the leader in providing continuing nursing education to school nurses, including online continuing education and webinars on a wide range of subjects, including childhood obesity, diabetes and emergency preparedness. We have published a wide range of articles in our Journal of School Nursing that include impact of immunizations, mental health promotion and asthma self-management. Our live educational programs, presented nationally include triage training, diabetes management, obesity prevention and asthma triggers. A newly redesigned website communicates real time resources and information to our members. We have links to Healthy People 2020 as well as sponsored campaigns, for example our Voices of Meningitis that helps to increase vaccination rates in our adolescent population. We have a strong listerv and social media presence that connects our membership.

New Year's Focus:

NASN is always looking to expand our horizons and our promotion of school health. We are expanding our programming with new online continuing nursing education on documentation, food allergy management and diabetes care treatment as well as create enduring archived webinars on a variety of topics, including chronic diseases relevant to school nursing. We are currently preparing our annual conference experience for 2012 that will be held in San Francisco in June. Our theme will be: “Advocacy, Access, Achievement: Making the Connection” and will feature nationally recognized nursing speakers presenting on global, practice and health promotion topics. We have a new Executive Director, Donna Mazyck, who will begin to lead us in October 2011. One focus for Donna will be to connect with our partners and enhance our collaborations. NASN will focus on finding alternative forms of funding for school health. Insurance providers can be approached to pick up costs that schools are being burdened with. Schools in this country are a significant part of the public health infrastructure, yet they are unrecognized and unfunded in that role. We are working to increase our partnerships with parents to encourage them to express to their school board that they need school nurses in schools. We will move forward with our legislative agenda and teach school nurses at the State level to advocate for school nursing issues.

Current Interests:

- School Nurse Ratio Bill
- Delegation in the school setting
- Immunizations
- Leadership development
- Bullying and mental health connections
- HIV management
- Live programming vs. web based education
- Childhood obesity
- Emergency preparedness
- Food allergy and non-patient specific order for epinephrine
- Medication administration
- Advocacy at the state level
- Mobilizing our parent base

National Council of State Boards of Nursing
111 East Wacker Drive, Suite 2900
Chicago, IL 60601

President: Myra Broadway, JD, MS, RN

President Elect: N/A

Executive Director: Kathy Apple, MS, RN, FAAN

Past Year's Progress: Key Successes for NCSBN this past year:

1. In keeping with its vision to advance regulatory excellence worldwide, NCSBN announced the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between itself and the following organizations: An Bord Altranais; College of Nurses of Ontario; College of Registered Nurses of British Columbia; Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia; Nursing Council of New Zealand; Nursing & Midwifery Council United Kingdom; and Singapore Nursing Board.
2. Revised uniform licensure requirements for state and territorial boards of nursing.
3. Produced A Nurse's Guide to the Use of Social Media white paper.
4. Published Substance Use Disorder in Nursing: A Resource Manual and Guidelines for Alternative and Disciplinary Monitoring Programs

New Year's Focus: NCSBN focus for the next year:

1. Assuring implementation of the APRN Consensus Model in all states to standardize licensure of advanced practice registered nurses to improve access to care and increase mobility.
2. Beginning in the fall of 2011, NCSBN will launch a landmark, national, multi-site study of simulation use in prelicensure nursing programs. The NCSBN Simulation Study will monitor students from five associate degree nursing programs and five baccalaureate degree nursing programs in the U.S. from their first day of nursing school through graduation, into their first year of practice.
3. The innovative multi-site, NCSBN Transition to Practice Study, which examines the effects of nurse transition to practice programs on patient outcomes, will continue.

Current Interests: Current challenges for NCSBN include:

1. The economic recession has negatively impacted the resources needed to implement public protection mechanisms. NCSBN is re-evaluating how to support state boards of nursing in this current environment.
2. Providing comprehensive data management for use by all state boards of nursing.

National Gerontological Nursing Association
3493 Lansdowne Drive, Suite 2
Lexington, KY 40517

President: Amy Cotton, MSN, GNP-BC, FNP-BC, FNGNA
Executive Director: Brian Doty, CMP

Past Year's Progress: Since January, NGNA has strengthened our communication and alliances with several organizations that share complimentary goals and objectives. NGNA and Nurses Improving Care for Healthsystem Elders (NICHE) continue to collaborate on education efforts that increase the number of nurses successfully achieving ANCC certification in gerontological nursing. In April, NGNA entered into a Collaborative Agreement with the Alliance for Excellence in Hospice and Palliative Nursing to further strengthen the value of membership in our respective organizations. Together, NGNA and Sigma Theta Tau International Foundation for Nursing collaborated on a matching research grant for gerontological nursing research. Another very exciting development comes out of the Midwest where over a hundred RNs working in Long Term Care, all of whom have participated in the two year program called the Geriatric Nurse Leadership Academy, are actively working with the NGNA Board of Directors to create an ongoing relationship that includes membership, mentoring, and the development of a Long Term Care Special Interest Group. Concurrently, NGNA is developing a comprehensive 1-2 year Marketing Plan that includes market research, relationship development, product development, and membership recruitment, retention, and reclamation. A demographic survey of our members, followed by a detailed needs assessment was completed in the spring and summer. Data are being analyzed and reviewed by the NGNA Board, committees, SIGs, and Fellows to develop a two year plan for growth.

New Year's Focus: NGNA will continue to work toward strengthening our alliances with associations, organizations, and facilities that support our mission of improving the quality of nursing care provided to older adults. Our 2012-2013 strategic initiatives will include efforts to strengthen our internal processes while working to exceed the expectations of our members in the form of services, products and education.

Current Interests:

1. Competency development in gerontological nursing for individuals working in clinical practice, academic and continuing education, and research.
2. Alliance building with other professional associations involved with caring for older adults.
3. Innovative fundraising activities that are appropriately matched with our NGNA mission.

National League for Nursing
61 Broadway
New York, NY 10006

President: Judith A. Halstead, PhD, RN, FAAN, ANEF
President Elect: Marsha Howell Adams, DSN, RN, CNE, ANEF
Executive Director: CEO: Beverly Malone, PhD, RN, FAAN

Past Year's Progress: The NLN's amended mission statement – to promote excellence in nursing education to build a strong and diverse nursing workforce to advance the nation's health – explicitly states what has been implicit, that the health of the nation is the impetus for all we do. NLN now has 35,000 members; 34 schools, representing all types of nursing programs, joined since January; affiliated constituent leagues represent 29 states; 714 ambassadors represent schools in every state; as of June, there were 2650 certified nurse educators. The Academy of Nursing Education and Centers of Excellence (COE) continue to grow. NLN publications include: a monograph and model describing outcomes and competencies for nursing education; Global Service-Learning in Nursing Education; and three NLN Vision Series, Post-Baccalaureate Nursing Education, Academic Progression in Nursing Education, and Teaching Care of Older Adults. The NLN streamlined data collection to ease the administrative burden on schools. A new sampling methodology maintains the integrity of the data. Testing Services has introduced a new high speed platform and Spanish achievement tests. A new COE category for hospitals and other health care agencies and an honorary fellowship in the NLN Academy of Nursing Education were launched. Faculty resources were added to the Simulation Innovation Resource Center website. Thanks to a Hearst Foundation grant, the NLN is expanding its Advancing Care Excellence for Seniors program.

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 nation's health. Responding to the call for nursing education to integrate leadership theory across the curriculum and to foster the development of leaders in both educational and practice settings, the NLN will focus on assisting nurse educators to advance to leadership roles. The NLN will work toward a future in which the care of older adults is consistently competent, individualized, and humane through its Advancing Care for Older Adults (ACES) program. Promoting the use of simulation in nursing programs across the United States and internationally is an ongoing focus. The NLN addresses faculty development needs in through the Simulation Innovation Research Center website and related activities, by establishing networks of faculty to enhance pedagogical knowledge of simulation and related technologies, and by investigating the outcomes of transformative efforts. The only national nursing organization that has a sustained history of facilitating and funding nursing education research and developing expert nursing education researchers, the NLN will continue to promote evidence-based nursing education and the scholarship of teaching as the foundation for building the science of nursing education. The NLN will focus on global and diversity issues, developing leadership that strengthens diversity and facilitates global engagement in nursing education.

Current Interests:

- Nursing education leadership
- Post-baccalaureate education in nursing
- Nursing and nurse educator shortage and nurse workforce development
- Geriatric nursing education
- Simulation in nursing education
- High stakes testing
- Nursing education outcomes
- Nursing education research
- Global and diversity issues in nursing

National Nursing Staff Development Organization

7794 Grow Drive
Pensacola, FL 32514

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

Executive Director: Linda J. Shinn, MBA, RN, FASAE, CAE

Past Year's Progress:

- Began work on a knowledge repository for nursing professional development Supported of research in nursing professional development including awarding a grant through ANF and fostering innovation in NPD Distributed NNSDO Public Policy Agenda to Congress and Federal Agencies
- Revised NNSDO infrastructure
- Increased membership exceeding goal by 5%
- Increased member engagement in NNSDO
- Developed guidelines for engaging in strategic partnerships
- Provided scholarships in collaboration with Western Governors University to members so that they might advance their education
- Collaborated with the Hartford Institute in developing geriatric education how-to modules

New Year's Focus:

- Building a data base/knowledge repository of best practices in nursing professional development
- Increasing member engagement in NNSDO
- Reshaping, refining the NNSDO infrastructure
- Changing the name of NNSDO to be more reflective of NPD Scope and Standards
- Begin revision of NNSDO Core Curriculum
- Increase value proposition of membership

Current Interests:

- Member value Quality, i.e., work with National Quality Federation and National Alliance for Quality Care
- Continuing professional development
- Nurse residency programs Centers for Nursing Excellence

National Student Nurses' Association, Inc.
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Brooklyn, NY 11201

President: Joe Twitchell, Nursing Student
Executive Director: Diane Mancino, EdD, RN, CAE, FAAN

Past Year's Progress: The Year in Review Students from across the country attended the 2010 Mid Year Career Planning Conference in Cincinnati, OH last November. Last April, 3,000 students and faculty attended the 59th Annual NSNA Convention in Salt Lake City, UT. A record-breaking 33 resolutions were passed in the House of Delegates. Joe Twitchell, a student at Montana State University, was elected president. The NSNA Board of Directors and the House of Delegates endorsed the Institute of Medicine Future of Nursing Report: Leading Change, Advancing Health; and the Campaign for Action. NSNA is striving to implement one of the Report's recommendations, Nurses should achieve higher levels of education and training through an improved education system that promotes seamless academic progression. Through publications and programs, NSNA encourages and informs nursing students to continue their formal education and strive for excellence. The 2011 Mid Year Career Planning Conference takes place October 27-30, in Memphis, TN at the Memphis Cook Convention Center. Several NOA member organizations will participate in panel discussions, workshops, and seminars. A Career Counseling Center offers seniors an opportunity to meet one-on-one with a career counselor. Keynote Speaker, Dr. Sally Karioth, will address Compassion Energy: How to recognize it. How to experience it.

New Year's Focus: The Year Ahead NSNA's membership continues to grow with 57,000 members and a goal of 60,000 for the 60th Anniversary and Alumni Reunion (April 11-15, 2011), Pittsburgh, PA. Dr. Mary Foley will Keynote the Convention and Dr. Pam Cipriano will present the Endnote. Two panels will offer attendees exposure to a variety of diverse nursing leaders: Sage Advice: Extraordinary Nursing Leaders Reflect on the Past and Ponder the Future; and, Launching Your Career Advice from the Cognoscenti. Among the many events planned for the Convention, the Foundation of the NSNA will go public with the Forever Nursing Capital Campaign. The Campaign, which has already raised over one-million dollars, establishes an endowment to ensure a strong future for nursing students and nursing education. Many thanks to AMSN, ANA, NCSBN, ONS, and STTI for supporting the Campaign. To find out how your association can get on board, please contact Dr. Mancino. For the 4th year, the NSNA has surveyed new graduates to explore the employment experiences of recent RN graduates. The 2011 Survey results will be published in the Nov/Dec 2011 issue of Dean's Notes. The NSNA Partnership Program with nursing specialty organizations now has nine participating associations: ANN, AHNA, AONE, AORN, APHON, DNA, ENA, NANN, and ONS. These organizations offer undergraduate nursing students who are NSNA members a special student membership rate and benefits. For more information please contact NSNA.

Current Interests: Real-time workforce issues related to entry-level RN positions; Increasing diversity in the RN workforce; Leadership development and professional formation; Endowment for undergraduate nursing education.

Nurses Organization of Veterans Affairs
47595 Watkins Island Square
Sterling, VA 20165

President: Joan Clifford, MSN, RN, FACHE
President Elect: Larry Lemos, MSN, MHA, RN, CNS, GCNS-BC
Executive Director: Susan H. Dove

Past Year's Progress:

- a. Conducted Annual Legislative Roundtable.
- b. Development of NOVA Legislative Agenda.
- c. Contributed to Nursing Section of the Independent Budget.
- d. Supported continued academic partnerships.

New Year's Focus:

- a. Increased membership; new member benefits.
- b. Continued presence on Capitol Hill.
- c. Expanding member educational opportunities.
- d. Developing new organizational partnerships and alliances.

Oncology Nursing Society
125 Enterprise Drive
Pittsburgh, PA 15275-1214

President: Carlton G. Brown, RN, PhD, AOCN®
President Elect: Mary Gullatte, PhD, RN, AOCN®, FAAN
Executive Director: Paula Rieger, RN, MSN, CAE, FAAN

Past Year's Progress:

- Strategic plan approved for 2012-2016 focusing on four pillars: leadership, knowledge, quality, and technology.
- ONS members from more than 40 practice sites participated in testing of quality measures for patients with breast cancer.
- Health policy advocacy: Joined the HHS in the Partnership for Patients campaign; submitted comments in anticipation of the Surgeon General's action on prescription drug abuse in youth; testified before a Congressional committee regarding the benefits of pain relief medications for patients in need of pain and symptom management; joined other cancer organizations in raising Congress's awareness of the importance of a key prevention and detection fund included in healthcare reform legislation; ONS President Carl Brown, PhD, RN, AOCN® participated on a panel about the nursing workforce shortage; sent ONS members to NIWI.
- The 2009-2013 ONS Research Agenda was reviewed and accepted at the 2011 ONS Conference on Cancer Nursing Research. The Board discussed how to influence and advocate for additional federal funding for research.
- Experienced an increase in membership over last year.
- Produced award-winning publications including 9 new books.
- National conferences offered educational programs aimed at providing evidence-based knowledge and skills.
- Launched series of six regional conferences focusing on Survivorship and Primary Care.
- Conducted international programs that combined clinical content and leadership development.
- Developed iPhone apps for 16 Putting Evidence into Practice resources.
- Held Leadership Think Tank to discuss the needs of nursing leadership and education.

New Year's Focus:

- Will focus on educating members, initiating strategic partnerships, and advocating in the policy arena regarding issues facing cancer care and the nursing profession (such as cancer services reimbursement, access to care and clinical trials, health disparities, cancer symptom management and pain control, tobacco control, the nursing workforce, and nursing practice issues).
- Continue integration of technology in communication and educational offerings through expansion of virtual offerings and leveraging of social media.
- Bringing education and training to the non-oncology specialized nurse in the provision of cancer care.
- Convening a two-day summit in December on the topic of health information technology (HIT) which will identify the role that ONS should play in both the oncology and broader nursing community with regard to HIT.

Current Interests:

- Electronic health records.
- Providing oncology nursing care education to nurses who do not specialize in oncology.
- Health policy issues focusing on cancer care and the nursing profession.
- Oncology workforce shortage and how advanced practice nurses are filling the gap.
- Survivorship.
- Conflict of interest as it affects ONS national board members who work for a pharmaceutical or medical device company.

Pediatric Endocrinology Nursing Society

18000 W. 105th Street,
Olathe, KS 66061

President: Mary S. Burr MS, CPNP

President Elect: Isabel D. Couto, MSN, RN, CPN

Executive Director: Jerri Lynn Kind

Past Year's Progress: The PENS board met in April 2011 at the annual convention. During that meeting, the board analyzed feedback from membership and discussed strategic planning goals for the year ahead. Over the past year, the society has worked to enhance the quality of the resources offered, to increase awareness of legislative issues, and to explore opportunities for collaboration with other organizations

New Year's Focus: Looking ahead, PENS strives to meet the needs of its membership and to enhance its role as the primary resource for pediatric endocrine nurses.

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

Preventive Cardiovascular Nurses Association (PCNA)

613 Williamson Street, Suite 200

Madison, WI 53703

President: Joyce Ross, MSN, CRNP, CS, CLS, FNLA, FPCNA
President Elect: Lola Coke, PhD, APRN-BC, CNS, FAHA, FPCNA
Executive Director: Sue Koob, MPA

Past Year's Progress: The Preventive Cardiovascular Nurses Association (PCNA) is the leading nursing organization dedicated to preventing CVD. The mission of PCNA is to promote nurses as leaders in the prevention and management of cardiovascular disease through the development of professional and patient education, leadership, and advocacy. PCNA has approximately 3,000 active members and reaches over 25,000 healthcare professionals. This year, PCNA released new patient education materials on Atrial Fibrillation, Cholesterol, High Blood Pressure, Familial Hypercholesterolemia and Living Guidelines for Women. Over 1,550,000 PCNA educational materials have been distributed to date. PCNA also provides professional development programs across the country each year. In addition to reaching thousands of health care providers and community members at local events nationwide, 700 healthcare professionals gathered at the 17th Annual Symposium. The event featured keynotes, lectures and workshops by world renowned authorities in cardiovascular risk reduction and disease management. In addition to education, PCNA is also involved in national and international issues surrounding the public awareness of CVD prevention. PCNA is a member of the World Heart Federation and continues to take its mission around the world in an effort to support prevention. On a national level, PCNA's Advocacy Committee also responds to legislative issues that address cardiovascular disease prevention. Learn more at pcna.net.

New Year's Focus: This year we are seeing tremendous growth that will continue into 2012. Next year, PCNA will continue to increase our reach, expand patient and community education programming, continue national and international awareness efforts, create new partnerships with like organizations and launch new award and grant opportunities that support research. We are working to diversify the delivery format of our professional education programs using web-based technology both to enhance learning and to expand our reach. Our flagship professional education tool, National Guidelines and Tools for Cardiovascular Risk Reduction, is poised for update in 2012, based on the expected revision of national guidelines for dyslipidemia, hypertension and obesity. We plan to release this fourth edition in print and via mobile application format to better support the practicing clinician. We will also be developing our first on-demand CE program in video format, new online initiatives on social networking sites, live streaming from PCNA events and online collaboration opportunities at the 2012 Annual Symposium. In response to the Affordable Care Act, we also plan to amplify our efforts to reach providers in the primary care setting with educational programs and tools, knowing that these professionals will increasingly be charged with chronic disease management, the bulk of which consists of management of diabetes, dyslipidemia, and hypertension. Follow PCNA's efforts at pcna.net.

Current Interests: Cardiovascular Disease Prevention Cardiovascular Risk Reduction Cardiovascular Nursing Women & Heart Disease Nursing Continuing Education

Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates (SGNA)
401 N. Michigan Ave., Suite 2200
Chicago, IL 60611

President: Leslie E. Stewart, BA RN CGRN
President Elect: Phyllis Malpas, MA RN CGRN
Executive Director: Dale West, CAE

Past Year's Progress: Over the past year, SGNA hosted the second annual Infection Prevention Consortium which pulled together industry partners for a one day meeting. Based on the outcomes of the meeting, SGNA is currently working on developing an Infection Prevention Champions Program and Tool Kit. The Education Committee is working on a revised Certification Review Book with expected release in late 2011 to assist those who are preparing for the CGRN Certification exam. SGNA is also working on developing a Nurse Fellows Program with the first class of fellows to be selected in late 2011. This group of staff nurses will be provided training and tools to identify needs and disseminate findings of evidence-based practice in the gastroenterology and endoscopy setting. Along those same lines, SGNA's Scholars Program will seek to educate and train appropriately prepared GI/endoscopy nurses through in-person systematic review training using the TCU Center for Evidence-based Practice and Research: A Collaborating Center of the Joanna Briggs Institute. In addition, SGNA's Legislative Director attended several meetings this year including the Digestive Disease National Coalition, Dialogue for Action, National Colorectal Cancer Roundtable, ASGE's Health and Public Policy Committee and an FDA Public Workshop regarding Reprocessing of Reusable Medical Devices. SGNA successfully held its 38th Annual Course in Indianapolis, Indiana in May 2011. The conference attracted over 1,100 attendees and 93 exhibitors.

New Year's Focus: SGNA will create an Evidence-Based Task Force that will work on identifying tools to assist nurses in learning how to translate evidence into practice. SGNA will also begin focusing our efforts to support policy regarding colorectal cancer awareness, infection prevention and sedation administration. SGNA's 39th Annual Course will take place May 18-23, 2012 in Phoenix, Arizona. We expect registration to open in December 2011.

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

Sigma Theta Tau International
550 West North Street
Indianapolis, IN 46202

President: Suzanne S. Prevost, PhD, RN, COI
President Elect: Unknown at this date, election results 2 Nov 2011
Executive Director: Patricia E. Thompson, EdD, RN, FAAN

Past Year's Progress:

- Inducted 15 into the International Nurse Researcher Hall of Fame
- Developed STTI Speakers Bureau
- The Hartford Geriatric Nursing Leadership Academy and the Johnson & Johnson Maternal Child Health Leadership Academy continue to be successful with strong outcomes
- Implementing the Johnson & Johnson funded Maternal Child Health Leadership Academy Pilot in South Africa
- Accepting applications for the Nurse Faculty Leadership Academy, funded by The Elsevier Foundation
- The Cancun Research Congress was a success with approximately 600 researchers attending from 27 countries. The next congress will be held in Brisbane, Australia on 30 July-3 August 2012
- Applied for ECOSOC status with the United Nations
- Established collaborative status with the Royal College of Nursing, Australia
- Became an affiliate of the International Council of Nurses

New Year's Focus: Building on the Board's Vision 2020 document, with an emphasis on being:

- 1) a valued, relevant and meaningful organization for members and nurses worldwide;
- 2) an intentionally global organization;
- 3) a thought leader in creating and sharing knowledge and in developing leadership resources; and
- 4) a knowledge-focused, technology enable organization. Implementing a realigned structure of six global regions: Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin & South America/Caribbean, Oceania and North America. Orienting a new Board of Directors.

Current Interests: Maintaining membership in a difficult economic environment.

Society of Otorhinolaryngology and Head-Neck Nurses
207 Downing Street
New Smyrna Beach, FL 32168

President: Cindy Dawson, MSN, RN, CORLN
President Elect: Mary B. Huntoon, MSN, RN
Executive Director: Sandra L. Schwartz, MS, RN, CORLN

Past Year's Progress: SOHN collaborated with the American Academy of Otolaryngology and Head-Neck Surgery (AAO-HNS) on development of clinical guidelines. The most recent guideline released is Tonsillectomy with Adenoidectomy. In addition the Society is also developing a Consensus Paper with the Academy on Tracheostomy Care. SOHN has revised its strategic plan to include a mentorship/leadership section to focus on the Future of Nursing recommendations. SOHN was reaccredited by ANCC as a provider of continuing education in ORL Nursing for four additional years. SOHN received the highest rating possible and has been continually accredited for 31 years. The Society just completed the very successful 35th Anniversary Congress and Nursing Symposium in San Francisco, CA, September 9 - 13.

New Year's Focus: In 2012 SOHN will continue to focus on clinical guideline development with the AAO-HNS and will complete the joint Consensus Paper on Tracheostomy Care. Additional leadership opportunities will be developed to promote the Future of Nursing 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 Future of Nursing initiatives. Continue to explore affiliative member category.

Current Interests: Membership recruitment and retention. New exciting ideas! Leadership Development Volunteer Recruitment
Social Media enhancement

Society of Trauma Nurses
3493 Lansdowne Dr, Ste 2
Lexington, KY 40517

President: Elizabeth B. Seislove, RN, MSN, CCRN
President Elect: Melissa A. Twomey, RN, MS
Executive Director: Sarah Clements

Past Year's Progress: The Society of Trauma Nurses (STN) has had a very exciting and productive year under the guidance of a very dynamic board.

- i) Membership has increased by 8% this year
- ii) Our annual conference experienced a 30% increase in attendance.
- iii) The organization continues to be involved in many projects and enhancements focused on benefiting our members:
 - a. Continued growth of our Trauma Outcomes and Performance Improvement Course (TOPIC)
 - b. Growth and significant refinement of the administrative processes (converting from paper to electronic) for our Advanced Trauma Care for Nurses (ATCN) course
- iv) Our collaborative relationships with the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma (ACS COT), Eastern Association for the Surgery of Trauma (EAST) and the American Association for the Surgery of Trauma (AAST) continuing to mature and expand
- v) Recently completed a practice guideline specifically focused on Elderly Trauma as the result of a grant with the Hartford Institute

New Year's Focus: The Society of Trauma Nurses is focusing on the following initiatives next year:

- i) The ATCN leadership is focused on providing a streamlined process for a web based course management system for participant registration and course facilitation.
- ii) STN is also in the pilot phase of developing and incorporating policies and guidelines for virtual ATCN courses which will greatly enhance the ability of rural trauma centers and hospitals to provide the ATCN course with the ATLS component by virtual technology. Additionally, ATCN is developing a refresher course for providers who are interested and eligible for a 1-day condensed version of the curriculum.
- iii) STN's Leadership committee is developing a Trauma Nursing Leadership Course which will benefit both STN leaders and members.
- iv) The TOPIC leadership has begun working with the ACS COT to train physicians to be TOPIC instructors. The organizations are also collaborating to author a performance improvement text book as well as developing additional content for rural trauma centers.
- v) STN has engaged editors and authors to revise, revise and release an updated edition of the Electronic Library of Trauma Lectures.
- vi) Innovative education through various mediums including print, online and in-person.
- vii) Injury prevention and wellness materials and programs. Please join us at our 2012 annual conference Going Coastal: Reset your Trauma Compass will be held from April 11-13, 2012 in San Savannah, Georgia. We look forward to continuing to develop and service trauma nursing leaders and care providers.

Current Interests:

- i) Trauma care, trauma system development and leadership
- ii) Professional organization collaboration
- iii) Leadership Development
- iv) Social Networking
- v) Succession Planning
- vi) Innovative Education
- vii) Injury Prevention and wellness

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Past Year's Progress:

- Membership:2462
- Active chapters:47
- Certified members:681;15 retired
- Foundation funded \$5800 in scholarships
- 42nd Annual Conference: San Antonio, Oct.28-31, expanded advanced practice track, cystoscopy workshop
- Annual Symposium: San Francisco, March 1-3,2012, Incontinence/pelvic floor disorders/comprehensive urodynamics course
- Expanded our Prolibraries content as online resource for Urologic nursing education
- Participated in National Student Nurse Association Nov.2010-urology nursing careers
- Collaboration with GAUN & EAUN to further urologic nursing
- Collaboration with American Urological Association(AUA)-joint educational offerings, member of task force to develop White Paper on Prostate Biopsy, representative on Non-Physician Provider committee
- Developed fact sheet on the Role of the APRN in urology
- Participation in IOM Learning Healthcare System Study
- Supported Nurse's Health Study
- Supported Nursing Community Letter on the Accountable Care Organization (ACO) proposed rule
- Endorsed letter to Health Professions & Nursing Education Coalition regarding budget cuts to HRSA's Bureau of Health Professions for 2012
- Supported testimony of the Nursing community for appropriations of Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs
- Revised Scope and Standards of Urologic Nursing Practice
- Invitation to the National Coalition of Ethnic Minority Nurses Association's leadership for greater participation in SUNA

New Year's Focus:

- Develop and publish Core Curriculum for Urologic Nursing
- Continue to work with CBUNA to develop Urodynamics certification
- Increase use of online library educational resources for urologic nursing education
- Revise clinical practice guidelines
- Increase member and speaker diversity

Current Interests:

- Increased participation in nursing research to further evidence based practices
- Developing a global approach to urologic nursing practice by collaboration with our international colleagues