



WNA Working for You-July 2016

WNA is working on political advocacy for nurses and patients along with professional development strategies to support nursing practice, competence, and personal health. Please see the following:

Nurse Workforce Health, Rights, & Safety

	Activity	
APRN Title Protection	Between now and the November election WNA will be working with the APRN Coalition to inform legislative candidates of the need for title protection for advanced practice registered nurses. More information can be found on WNA’s website under the Advocacy Tab.	APNs
Board of Nursing Rules Revision Update	WNA is tracking the status of Board of Nursing proposed changes to the following Nursing Administrative Rules: N1, N2, N5, N6, N7 and N8. Go to WNA website for info.	RNs
Board of Nursing Rule Revision – N8	The Board of Nursing has adopted the final changes to N8. The revised Administrative Rules will be published and enacted no later than August 30, 2016. WNA supported the changes but requested that the collaborative agreement for APNPs be repealed.	APNPs
Addressing Workplace Violence	WNA’s legislative proposal was not introduced this biennium. Legislative candidates will be informed on the need for this legislation. To view the proposed language go to WNA’s website under the Advocacy tab.	RNs
Healthy Nurses	WNA’s Healthy Nurse Task Force has developed a set of priorities for promoting the health of Wisconsin’s nursing workforce. The Task Force will focus on nurses with hypertension and provide support and strategies for self- management. We are joining ANA’s efforts as well.	RNs
Emerging Role of the Nurse	WNA’s Task Force on the Emerging Role of the Nurse is working on a survey to identify the newer roles of RNs. The end-product will be a compendium of the emerging roles of nurses. Read the Reference Report on WNA’s website under the About WNA tab.	RNs
Telemedicine/ Telehealth	WNA is participating in Task Force to identify regulatory issues for practicing telehealth	RNs

Continued Competence & WNA Educational Offerings for the Remainder of 2016

<i>Beyond the 50% - Latest Practices in Blood Pressure Measurement – WNA Webinar available July 26, 2016</i>	<i>Palliative & End-of-Life Care and Nursing 10/20 Madison</i>
<i>Surviving Your First Year - October 20, 2016</i>	<i>Policy Decisions Impacting Sustainability: Considerations for Environmental Health–Why Nurses Care Madison, 10/21/16</i>
<i>Healthcare Workforce Diversity Assessment Tool – 10/21/16, Madison</i>	<i>Ready to Vote? Latest polling update on the National and State Elections - 10/22 Madison</i>
<i>Clinical & Interprofessional Education Considerations for Patient-Centered Team-Based Care – 10/21 Madison</i>	<i>Opioid Prescribing for APNPs and hands on skill-building sessions for suturing, IUD placement, splinting - Oct. 20 & 21 Madison</i>

Appropriate Nurse Staffing & Nurse Shortage

Topic	Activity	
Healthcare Workforce Planning	The Wisconsin Council on Medical Education and Workforce (WCMEW), of which WNA is a member, is focusing on healthcare workforce data and health care delivery design models.	RNs
Patient-Centered Team-Based Care	WNA, in conjunction with other healthcare providers, educators, and associations developed a working model “Wisconsin Concentric Model of Patient-Centered Team-Based Care. The model can be viewed along with other info on WNA’s website under Advocacy.	RNs

Interprofessional Education	WNA's Task Force on <i>Interprofessional Education leading to Team-Based Care</i> is working on researching best-practice models of interprofessional education related to team-based care.	RNs
Academic Progression	WNA's Task Force on <i>Academic Progression</i> is working on an awareness campaign for recruiting and retaining nurse educators. They are working on a white paper that will explore the key issues.	RNs
New RN Grads	WNA's Mentorship Committee has developed a mentorship program to begin in August. Details are on WNA's website under the Membership tab.	RNs
Future Nursing Leader	WNA's Mentorship Committee awarded the Spring 2016 Future Nursing Leader Award. Five graduating students received awards.	RNs

Patient Safety/Advocacy

Topic		
Prescription drug abuse epidemic	WNA is a member of the Opioid Reduction Task Force collaborative effort with the Wisconsin Hospital Association, Wisconsin Medical Society, Rep. Nygren and Att. General.	RNs
Patient-Centered Team-Based Care	WNA is surveying health system leaders regarding the extent of team-based care that is taking place within their organizations related to primary care, hypertension, and diabetes.	RNs

You Were Represented: May - July 2016

Topic	Audience	Location	Date
Education	Jail & Correctional Health Conference	WI Dells	5/9
Practice	PCTBC Model Presentation – Academy of Physician Assistants	Webinar	5/10
Practice	Meeting with Wisconsin Hospital Association President	WNA	5/11
Policy/Advocacy	Attended Board of Nursing Meeting	Madison	5/12
Policy/Advocacy	Attended Medical Society sponsored policy discussion with Russ Feingold	Madison	5/12
Education	NFW Lamplight 5K Run/Walk	Madison	5/14
Practice & Education	Clinical & Interprofessional Education Considerations for Patient-Centered Team-Based Care	Green Bay	5/23
Education	Beyond the 50% - Best practices for BP measurement	Milwaukee	5/25
Policy/Advocacy	Wisconsin Nursing Coalition meeting	Madison	5/26
Policy	APRN Coalition Meeting	Madison	5/31
Policy	Funding for Educational Program Capacity & Loan Forgiveness for Educators	Conf Call	6/1
Policy/Practice	WNA APRN Forum Board meeting	Madison	6/3
Policy	APRN Coalition Meeting	Madison	6/7
Policy	Telemedicine Task Force	Madison	6/8
Policy	Board of Nursing Meeting	Madison	6/9
Practice/Education	Exhibitor at Wisconsin Healthcare Quality Collaborative Conference	Madison	6/14
Workforce	Task Force member on Wisconsin Center for Nursing IOM Sustainability Plan	Pewaukee	6/17
Policy	WNA Public Policy Council Meeting	WNA	6/18
Education	WNA Interprofessional Education Task Force Meeting	Call	6/20
Workforce	Wisconsin Council on Medical Education & Workforce Meeting	Madison	6/21
Policy	Wisconsin APRN Coalition Meeting	WNA	6/21
Leadership	American Nurses Association Membership Assembly Meeting	Wash DC	6/23-25
Leadership	WNA Board of Directors Meeting	WNA	7/8
Practice	Grant-related and the Heart Disease & Stroke Alliance Meeting	Wausau	7/13
Advocacy	Wisconsin Board of Nursing Meeting	Madison	7/14
Practice	Presentation on Patient-Centered Team-Based Care	Madison	7/19
Practice	Conference on APNP Role as Hospitalists	Ladysmith	7/22

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