



WNA Working for You – March, 2016

WNA is working on policy and other strategies related to promoting workplace health, rights, and safety, safe nurse staffing, continued competence, and patient safety/advocacy. Please see the following:

Nurse Workforce Health, Rights & Safety

Topic	Activity	
APRN Title Protection Act	WNA met with legislators willing to assist in advancing legislation that address APRN licensure, title protection and scope of practice. More information can be found on WNA's website under the Advocacy Tab	APNs
Board of Nursing Rules Revision to Chap. N2 & N5	WNA provided testimony supporting the proposed changes developed by the Board of Nursing to N2 & N5 which address licensure and renewal. The change will move N5 renewal requirements into N2 and repeal N5.	RNs
Board of Nursing Rule Revision to Chap. N6	WNA provided testimony supporting the proposed changes developed by the Board of Nursing to N6 Standards of Practice. The rules will combine medical and nursing delegation and add APNPs as delegators	RNs
Board of Nursing Rule Revision – N8 (APNPs)	The Board of Nursing has approved changes to N8 and has sent it forward to the Clearinghouse on Administrative Rules. There is a public hearing scheduled for March 10, 2016. WNA and others will be providing testimony.	APNPs
Addressing Workplace Violence	WNA's Task Force on Workplace Violence is completing the addendum to ANA's position statement related to bullying, incivility and workplace violence. The legislative proposal was not introduced this biennium. To see the proposed language go to WNA's website and search 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.	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. Go to website under the "About WNA" tab.	RNs
APNPs as Hospitalist	Research has been conducted on identifying the barriers for APNPs to admit patients to critical access hospitals.	APNPs

Continued Competence & WNA Educational Offerings for the remainder of 2016 go to WNA's website and click on the events tab

Nurses Day at the Capitol – March 8-Madison	APRN Annual Clinical & Pharmacology – 4/28-4/30 Madison
Surviving Your 1 st Year – April 11, 2016 Pewaukee,	WNA Membership Assembly & Education – 10/20-10/23

Appropriate Nurse Staffing & Nurse Shortage

Topic	Activity	
Healthcare Workforce Planning	The Governor's Health Workforce Academy has been transferred to the Wisconsin Council on Medical Education and Workforce (WCMEW), of which WNA is a member. It focuses on healthcare workforce data, health care delivery design models, and integration of behavioral health.	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 information 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 researching best-practice models of interprofessional education related to team based care.	RNs
Academic Progression	WNA's Task Force on, <i>Academic Progression</i> 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 is working on the development of a mentorship program.	RNs
Future Nurse Leader	WNA's Mentorship Committee launched WNA's Future Nurse Leader Award. The first award was given during Fall graduating class.	RNs

Patient Safety/Advocacy

Topic		
(WI-HIPP) Steering Committee	WNA is a member of the Wisconsin Health Improvement Planning Process Steering Committee which is charged with the guiding and overseeing the development of public health priorities, goals, objectives and strategies to improve the health of all people in Wisconsin.	RNs
Prescription drug abuse epidemic	WNA is a member of the Opioid Reduction Task Force formed by the Wisconsin Hospital Association.	RNs
Patient-Centered Team Based Care	WNA received a grant from the Division of Public Health advancing patient-centered team based care for patients with hypertension and diabetes.	RNs
Influenza Vaccination	WNA's position statement on Influenza Immunization and the responsible and ethical role of the nurse has been revised and can be found on the WNA website – Advocacy tab.	RNs

You Were Represented January 2016 – February 2016

Topic	Audience	Location	Date
Policy/Advocacy	Meeting with Sec. Ross from Department of Safety & Professional Ser.	Madison	1/5
Policy/Advocacy	Participated in WHA sponsored Task Force on Telemedicine/Telehealth	Conf call	1/6
Policy/Advocacy	Attended Board of Nursing Meeting	Madison	1/14
Policy/Advocacy	Presented testimony on Nurse License Plate Legislation	State Capitol	1/14
Leadership	Participated in WNA APRN Forum Board of Directors Meeting	Madison	1/16
Policy/Advocacy	Hosted APRN Coalition meeting regarding APRN legislative draft	Conf Call	1/17
Policy/Advocacy	Presented testimony on nurse license plate bill	State Capitol	1/21
Leadership	Hosted Wisconsin Nursing Coalition Meeting	Madison	1/28
Policy/Advocacy	Hosted APRN Coalition meeting regarding proposed changes to N8	Conf Call	1/28
Policy/Advocacy	Testified in support of specialty license plate for nursing scholarships	State Capitol	2/2
Leadership	Participated in Pharmacy Society of WI meeting on Collaborative Practice	Madison	2/3
Education	Presented at Medical College of WI Conference on Team-Based Care	Pewaukee	2/4
Leadership	Presented at Wisconsin Student Nurses Association Conference	WI Dells	2/5-6
Policy/Advocacy	Attended Board of Nursing Meeting	Madison	2/11
Practice	WNA Tri-Council Meeting – working on Palliative and EOL care	WNA	2/12
Practice	Planning meeting to promote improved blood pressure measurement	Madison	2/15
Leadership	Collaborating with Wisconsin Center for Nursing strategic plan	Madison	2/15
Practice	Working Wisconsin Hospital Association on addressing opioid prescribing	Madison	2/17
Practice	Working with WI Hospital Association on the increase use of telehealth	Madison	2/19
Education	Presented the topic of nurses and policy to UW graduate nursing students	Madison	2/22
Education	Presented the topic of nurses and policy to NursingMatters Expo event	Madison	2/23
Policy/Advocacy	APRN Coalition Meeting to discuss Board of Nursing changes to N8	Call	2/24
Education	Presented on the topic on nurses and policy Edgewood College	Madison	2/26
Leadership	Attended meeting led by WEHN to discuss sustainability in healthcare	Madison	2/26
Education	The WEHNC MIG exhibited at WEHN's Making the Connection Conference	Madison	2/26

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