



WNA Working for You October 2016

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

Nurse Workforce Health, Rights, & Safety

	Activity	
APRN Modernization Act	Between now and the November election, WNA will be working with the APRN Coalition to inform legislative candidates of the need for adopting legislation that reflects the national APRN Consensus Model that includes separate licensure, title protection for advanced practice registered nurses roles, national board certification, and school of nursing accreditation. 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 (APNPs)	The Board of Nursing has adopted the final changes to N8. The revised Administrative Rules will be published and enacted no later than September 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 WNA supported the changes but requested that the collaborative agreement for APNPs be repealed.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 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. Read the Reference Report on WNA’s website under the About WNA tab.	RNs
Telemedicine/ Telehealth	WNA is participating in a Task Force to identify regulatory issues for practicing telehealth	RNs

Continued Competence & WNA Fall Learning Symposium – October 20-22 2016

The Nurse’s Role in Palliative & End-of-Life Care Across the Lifespan	Surviving Your First Year as a Newly Licensed RN
Clinical & Interprofessional Considerations for Patient-Centered Team-Based Care	Policy Decisions Impacting Sustainability–Why Nurses Care
<i>Diabetes and Heart Health</i> for the Faith Community: A Chronic Disease Update	Engaging in the Political Process through Grass-roots Advocacy
Ready to Vote? Latest polling update on the National and State Elections	WNA Fall APRN Clinical Practice Update: Essential <i>Skills</i> for Everyday Practice

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, focuses 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 titled “Wisconsin Concentric Model of Patient-Centered Team-Based Care.” The publication will be available October 20, 2016.	RNs

Interprofessional Education	WNA's Task Force on <i>Interprofessional Education leading to Team-Based Care</i> is 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.	RNs
New RN Grads	WNA's Mentorship Committee has launched a mentorship program for WNA members.	RNs
Future Nursing Leader Award	WNA's Mentorship Committee is continuing WNA's Future Nursing Leader Award this Fall. Five more graduating nurses will win the award this semester.	RNs

Patient Safety/Advocacy

Topic		
Prescription drug abuse epidemic	WNA is a member of the Wisconsin Coalition for Prescription Drug Abuse Reduction, which is a collaborative effort with the Wisconsin Hospital Association, Wisconsin Medical Society, Rep. Nygren, and Attorney General Brad Schimel	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

Topic	Audience	Location	Date
Education	WNA Interprofessional Education Task Force Meeting	Call	8/2
Nursing Practice	Attended and exhibited at the Wisconsin Public Health Nursing Conference	Stevens Point	8/3
Nursing Practice	WNA Tri-Council Meeting	WNA	8/5
Nurse Advocacy	WNA Representatives attended political fundraiser for Sen. Shelia Harsdorf	Hudson	8/10
Practice & Advocacy	WNA APRN Forum MIG Board of Directors Meeting	WNA	8/13
Practice	Attended Task Force meeting on Telemedicine	Madison	8/15
Advocacy	WNA Workforce Advocacy Council meeting	Call	8/15
Leadership	WNA meeting with the Wisconsin Center for Nursing	WNA	8/18
Practice	Discussion of WNA Team-Based Care Model	Madison	8/30
Practice	Team-Based Care Grant Contractors Meeting	Madison	8/31
Leadership	WNA meeting with Wisconsin Center for Nursing	Call	9/7
Advocacy	Attended Wisconsin Board of Nursing Meeting	Madison	9/8
Leadership	WI State Coalition for Prescription Drug Abuse Reduction Group Meeting	Madison	9/9
Leadership	Presentation of Patient-Centered Team-Based Care Model – Rural Health Coop	Sauk City	9/9
Advocacy	APRN Coalition Meeting	WNA	9/12
Practice	Convened Expert Panel on managing hypertension using team-based care	WNA	9/14
Education	Meeting with capstone student	WNA	9/15
Practice	WNA Tri-Council Meeting	WNA	9/16
Advocacy	Attended Board of Nursing Legislative Committee meeting	Madison	9/19
Advocacy	Governor's Office Representative regarding WNA budget priorities meeting	State Capitol	9/20
Advocacy	Meeting with State Rep. Mike Rohrkaste to discuss nurse legislation priorities	State Capitol	9/21
Practice & Advocacy	Wisconsin Nursing Coalition Meeting	WNA	9/22
Leadership	WNA Board of Directors Meeting	WNA	9/23
Leadership	Grant Contract Partners Meeting	Madison	9/28
Advocacy	WNA Representatives attended political fundraiser for Rep. Mike Rohrkaste	Neenah	9/29
Leadership	Presentation to Edgewood College Nursing Students	Madison	9/30
Leadership	Rapid Response Calls on WNA Public Policy Agenda for the next biennium	Calls	10/4 & 5

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