ANA’s New President Takes the Helm, Lays out Priorities

Margie Washnok APRN, MS, DNP

I would like to thank Tanya Hack for serving as our President. Tanya has resigned her position as President due to health reasons. We hope and pray for Tanya’s health to improve. I am excited to work with the present SDNA Board of Nursing as your President.

I would like to introduce myself as your new president. I have been the vice president of SDNA for the past 3 years. According to the SDNA Bylaws, in the event of the president’s vacancy, the vice president will take over the duties of the president’s unexpired term. I will be serving until October of 2015 as your president and vice president.

My past leadership experiences have been serving as SDNA Vice President, Vice President for the past several years of District 4, and now the Secretary of District 4. I have been co-chair or chair of 3 of the last 4 SDNA Conventions that District 4 hosted in Aberdeen. I have been co-advisor for the Presentation College Nursing Student Association for over 20 years, and serving as one of the liaisons between SDNA and NSASD.

I currently work as a Professor in Nursing at Presentation College and part-time with Walden Online in their RN-MSN and DNP Nursing Programs. I have over 25 years of nursing education experience, as well as; experience as a Public Health Nurse, Home Health Nurse, staff nurse on Pediatrics, Dorm Nurse, and a Nurse Rehabilitation Consultant.

I believe that nurses must provide high-quality, compassionate, competent nursing care based on evidence based practice. This includes providing holistic care that includes making sure the care is culturally sensitive and the body, mind, and spirit of the individuals, groups, families, and communities we care for. Nurses also must provide care that includes “caring.”

I would like to invite you to the SDNA State Convention at the Ramkota in Rapid City October 5 & 6, 2014. The theme is “You Are Not Alone! Close Encounters of the Nursing Kind.” See you at convention!

Vision for the Future of ANA

In a recent conversation with The American Nurse, Cipriano shared her vision for ANA by outlining three priorities for her presidency.

First, she will focus on ANA’s “core strengths,” which include: political advocacy, efforts around safe staffing and healthy work environments, and fighting for nurses’ rights to control their profession and practice to the full extent of their education and licensure.

Second, Dr. Cipriano will lead membership growth and retention. “I strongly believe in the old saying, ‘There’s strength in numbers,’” she said.

The third priority for her first term includes positioning nurses to exert greater influence in the transformation of health care. “It’s very important for ANA to make sure nurses are in prime positions and key decision-making groups so our voice is there at every turn,” she said.

Finally, what does President Cipriano want members around the country to keep in mind? Optimism. “We are making a number of strides,” she said. “We’re going to need all of our members...if we want to truly achieve a new direction in health care.”

To read more about President Cipriano, please visit: www.theamericannurse.org/index.php/2014/06/30/meet-ana’s-new-president/
It's a pleasure to be the Executive Director of the SDNA. I look forward to working and growing with the association and all of its members, all of whom are already leaders and trailblazers.

Here's a bit about me:

My professional path has involved communications at every turn. After receiving my Bachelor of Science in English (creative-writing emphasis) from the University of South Dakota, I joined the journalism field on the newspaper side. Starting as a freelance "stringer," I worked my way to a managing editor position, collecting some newspaper association awards for article- and column writing and photography along the way. I'm proudest, however, of the many community projects and improvements my photography and writing have helped achieve. I'm also proud of my involvement with the South Dakota Nurses Association, another non-profit with many years of great history.

Upon receiving my Master of Arts degree, I began work at South Dakota State University as a publisher and editor. My work there primarily involved scientific and educational publications, and I enjoyed the thought that the projects would ultimately lead to the betterment of both people and society. I did everything from overseeing the building of websites, to publishing university-marketing magazines and scientific journals, to assisting with video productions, to most anything in between. A career in university publishing seemed to be in the offing, but the "Great Recession" led to cuts in government budgets, and the entire publishing unit in which I worked was shuttered.

This layoff ultimately led me to a career field where all of my communication education and expertise are used at once, executive director. I come to the South Dakota Nurses Association on the heels of three state legislative sessions as the executive director of the South Dakota Employees Organization, another non-profit with many years of great history.

Executive Director’s Address

Eric Ollila

November
Veterans Day – Office Closed
November 11, 2014

Thanksgiving – Office Closed
November 27, 2014

December
District Leadership Reporting Form Due to
SDNA Office
December 1, 2014

Christmas Day – Office Closed
December 25, 2014

February 2015
Nurses Day at the Legislature (NDL)
February 9-10, 2015

September, October, November 2014

The SOUTH DAKOTA NURSE is published quarterly every March, June, September and December by the South Dakota Nurses Association (a constituent member of the American Nurses Association) and Arthur L. Davis Publishing Agency, Inc. All rights reserved by copyright. This newspaper or parts thereof must not be reproduced in any form without permission in writing from the publishers.

Subscription rate is $12 per year to non-members of the Association.

ADVERTISING
For advertising rates and information, please contact Arthur L. Davis Publishing Agency, Inc., 517 Washington Street, PO Box 216, Cedar Falls, Iowa 50613, (800) 626-4881. SDNA and the Arthur L. Davis Publishing Agency, Inc. reserve the right to reject any advertisement. Responsibility for errors in advertising is limited to corrections in the next issue or refund of price of advertisement.

Acceptance of advertising does not imply endorsement or approval by the South Dakota Nurses Association of products advertised, the advertisers, or the claims made. Rejection of an advertisement does not imply a product offered for advertising is without merit, or that the manufacturer lacks integrity, or that this association disapproves of the product or its use. SDNA and the Arthur L. Davis Publishing Agency, Inc. shall not be held liable for any consequences resulting from purchase or use of an advertiser’s product. Articles appearing in this publication express the opinions of the authors, they do not necessarily reflect views of the staff, board, or membership of SDNA or those of the national or local associations.

CIRCULATION, ARTICLES, LETTER TO THE EDITOR, ETC.
2013 deadlines for articles submitted to the South Dakota Nurse: July 15—September issue and October 14—December issue.

The South Dakota Nurse accepts and encourages manuscripts or editorials. We will determine which letters and articles are printed by the availability of publication space and appropriateness of the material. We welcome signed letters of 300 words or less, typed and double spaced and articles of 1,500 words or less. All materials should be mailed to: South Dakota Nurses Association, P.O. Box 1015, Pierre, SD 57501 or e-mailed to: contactus@sdnurses.org.

The views expressed in the articles and editorials are those of the individual contributors and do not necessarily reflect the viewpoint of SDNA.

South Dakota Nurse is the newsletter of the South Dakota Nurses Association. Direct inquiries about SDNA or this newsletter to: South Dakota Nurses Association PO Box 1015, Pierre, SD 57501 Phone: 605-945-4265/Fax: 1-888-425-3032 Email: contactus@sdnurses.org Website: www.sdnurses.org

Like us on Facebook! www.facebook.com/sdnurses

Published by:
Arthur L. Davis Publishing Agency, Inc.

Saint Alphonsus
BOISE Nampa Ontario BAKERY

Consider a Career at Saint Alphonsus Health System

Saint Alphonsus Health System is a four-hospital regional, faith-based Catholic ministry serving southwest Idaho and eastern Oregon.

Opportunities available in:
• Intensive Care
• Coronary Care
• Emergency Department
• Clinical Support Team
  (Float Pool)
• Med-Surg
• Rehab
• OB/NICU
• Main OR
• Nursing Professionals

To learn more and to apply, please visit www.saintalphonsus.org/careers
Or call Roxanne Ohlund 208-367-3032 or Rick Diaz 208-367-3118

Earn Your Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree with Mount Marty College!

Mount Marty College
1501 West Ninth Street | Yankton, South Dakota 57078-2020 | www.mmac.edu

We provide our partners with valuable life-saving training to use in their work.

www.sdtett.com

If you have events that you want posted on the SDNA Calendar of Events, please contact the SDNA Office at (605) 945-4265 or by email at contactus@sdnurses.org

If you have events that you want posted on the SDNA Calendar of Events, please contact the SDNA Office at (605) 945-4265 or by email at contactus@sdnurses.org.

If you have events that you want posted on the SDNA Calendar of Events, please contact the SDNA Office at (605) 945-4265 or by email at contactus@sdnurses.org.

If you have events that you want posted on the SDNA Calendar of Events, please contact the SDNA Office at (605) 945-4265 or by email at contactus@sdnurses.org.
Application Deadline Extended to October 1st for 2014 South Dakota Nurses Foundation Scholarship Opportunities

Carman Timmerman, EdD, RN
SDNF Treasurer and Scholarship Committee Chair

Good news! If you were thinking of applying for one of the South Dakota Nurses Foundation scholarships but missed the deadline, you’re in luck. The application deadline for all four scholarships has been extended to Wednesday, October 1, 2014 postmark. If you think you meet the criteria for one or more of these scholarships, we strongly encourage you to apply. Please read below for scholarship details.

South Dakota Nurses Foundation Scholarship
(2 scholarships available)

**Amount**—$1000 each

**Purpose**—To support a registered nurse pursuing a master’s or doctoral degree with the career goal of education program.

**Criteria**
1. Current South Dakota resident
2. Current South Dakota RN license
3. Member of SDNA for at least one year
4. Graduate student pursuing a master’s or doctoral degree in nursing or a related field with the goal of practicing nursing in a South Dakota high need area or teaching in a South Dakota baccalaureate or higher degree nursing education program
5. Cumulative GPA 3.0 or higher upon completion of highest degree, i.e., baccalaureate nursing program or master’s in nursing program
6. Career goals and personal qualities congruent with South Dakota Nurses Foundation purposes

**Application**—Access the South Dakota Nurses Association (SDNA) website at www.sdnursesassociation.org and click on the South Dakota Nurses Foundation or contact the South Dakota Nurses Association office at contactus@sdnurses.org or 605-945-4265.

**Award date**—October 1st postmark

**Application deadline extended**—October 1st postmark

**Award date**—Fall 2014

Rita H. Walsh Scholarship

**Amount**—$1000

**Purpose**—To support a registered nurse pursuing a higher level of nursing education. The scholarship will be awarded annually for the spring semester.

**Criteria**
1. Current South Dakota resident
2. Current South Dakota RN license
3. RN pursuing a bachelor’s degree in nursing or RN to master’s degree in nursing (bridge track)
4. Demonstrates need
5. Demonstrates the qualities of patient advocacy, patient education, compassion and peer mentoring

**Application**—Access the South Dakota Nurses Association (SDNA) website at www.sdnursesassociation.org and click on the South Dakota Nurses Foundation Scholarship or contact the South Dakota Nurses Association office at contactus@sdnurses.org or 605-945-4265.

**Award date**—October 1st postmark

**Application deadline**—October 1st postmark

**Award date**—Fall 2014

Marianne M. Stenvig Scholarship

**Amount**—$1000

**Purpose**—To support a male registered nurse in pursuit of his educational goals.

**Criteria**
1. Current South Dakota resident
2. Current South Dakota RN license
3. Male RN pursuing a graduate degree in nursing (preferred) or a related field
4. SDNA membership preferred
5. Career goals consistent with South Dakota Nurses Foundation purposes of education, research and service
6. Evidence of leadership, compassion, involvement in professional organization(s), professional activities, and community service

**Application**—Access the South Dakota Nurses Association (SDNA) website at www.sdnursesassociation.org and click on the South Dakota Nurses Foundation Scholarship or contact the South Dakota Nurses Association office at contactus@sdnurses.org or 605-945-4265.

**Application deadline extended**—October 1st postmark

**Award date**—Fall 2014

Dr. Carl and Leona Stadler Scholarship

**Amount**—$500

**Purpose**—To support a male student pursuing a BSN degree through the SDSU Accelerated Option program

**Criteria**
1. Current South Dakota or Minnesota resident
2. Male student accepted or enrolled in the SDSU Accelerated Option program
3. Cumulative GPA 3.0 or higher at time of application
4. Career goals consistent with South Dakota Nurses Foundation purposes of education, research and service
5. Evidence of leadership, compassion, and community service

**Application**—Access the South Dakota Nurses Association (SDNA) website at www.sdnursesassociation.org and click on the South Dakota Nurses Foundation, then Scholarships, then South Dakota Nurses Foundation Scholarship or contact the South Dakota Nurses Association office at contactus@sdnurses.org or 605-945-4265.

**Application deadline**—October 1st postmark

**Award date**—Fall 2014

I got my life–and my career–back.

But I couldn’t do it alone.

Hazelden’s specialized addiction treatment program for nurses provided the individualized care I needed.

- A personalized treatment plan
- Group sessions with other nurses
- Insurance accepted
- A return-to-work transition plan
- Coordination with monitoring/diversion board
- Support for my family
- Ongoing care and resources to support my recovery

Confidential phone consultation and assessment available at no charge.

Call for help, 24/7: 866-650-2084

hazelden.org/nurses
District News

District 1, 2, & 3

President: Pat Shaver
Vice President: Lani White
Secretary: Dawn Warren
Membership: Leslie Wilkerson
Nominations: Kay Fredlund
Government Relations Committee: Linda Wolden

Our District is ready to welcome attendees to the 2014 SDNA Convention, to be held in Rapid City at the Ramkota Inn on October 5 and 6. The theme will be “You Are Not Alone! Close Encounters of the Nursing Kind.” Members are encouraged to attend the convention, being held right here in our district, and to experience the networking, learning, and participation of this exciting event and our wonderful organization! Also, please plan to submit items for the silent and live auction to be held at the convention (submit them to Kay Fredlund, auction chair).

The Convention Planning Team has met monthly throughout the summer. Many thanks to the hard-working convention chairs and committee members as arrangements have come together. The team members are:

Program co-chairs – Linda DeLong and Linda Wolden
Program committee members – Marie Cissell, Carla Texel, Carman Timmerman, Lani White
Food/décor chair – Dawn Warren
Auction chair – Kay Fredlund
Vendors/exhibits chair – Christina Plemmons
District coordinator for convention planning, Hospitality chair – Pat Shaver

A district meeting was held on August 19 with convention plans as the agenda. Our next district meeting will be Tuesday September 16, 5:30 – 7:00, at Minerva’s Restaurant (private meeting room). We will finalize convention plans and set our schedule and programs for the coming year. All members are encouraged to attend, especially those members new to Districts 1, 2, or 3 or non-member nurses are encouraged to attend.

Call to Order: The May 12, 2014 SDNA District 4 meeting was called to order by Barb Goehring at 7:10 p.m.

Attendees: Carrie Clausen-Hansen, Diana Hayes, Jeanette Habler and Margie Washnok. Guests: Deb Heine and Marlys Volkke

Secretary Report: The minutes will be approved at the September 8, 2014, meeting.

Old Business: Carrie discussed upcoming ballot for State and US House and Senate. She stated PAC Bylaws were going to be reviewed.

Fair First Aid Booth: The First Aid Booth will be held August 12 – 17, 2014 at the Brown County Fair. Barb Goehring and Margie Washnok will be co-chairs for this.

New Business: SDNA Awards are due August 1, 2014 to the SDNA office.

New SDNA Executive: SDNA will be interviewing four candidates for SDNA Executive Director. The decision will be made at the officer board meeting May 19, 2014 at noon.

SDNA 2014 Convention: SDNA Convention will be held October 5 – 6, 2014 in Rapid City. District IV members will be bring live and silent auction items.

IV Officers for 2014 – 2017: President – Janice Noonan, Vice President – Vicky Steh Secretary – Margie Washnok

Next Meeting: September 8, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at Presentation College Room 209

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Goehring, RNC BSN District IV President

District 4

SDNA 4 Meeting Presentation College Room 209 Monday, May 12, 2014

Call to Order: The May 12, 2014 SDNA District 4 meeting was called to order by Barb Goehring at 7:10 p.m.

Attendee: Carrie Clausen-Hansen, Diana Hayes, Jeanette Habler and Margie Washnok. Guests: Deb Heine and Marlys Volkke

Secretary Report: The minutes will be approved at the September 8, 2014, meeting.

Old Business: Carrie discussed upcoming ballot for State and US House and Senate. She stated PAC Bylaws were going to be reviewed.

Fair First Aid Booth: The First Aid Booth will be held August 12 – 17, 2014 at the Brown County Fair. Barb Goehring and Margie Washnok will be co-chairs for this.

New Business: SDNA Awards are due August 1, 2014 to the SDNA office.

New SDNA Executive: SDNA will be interviewing four candidates for SDNA Executive Director. The decision will be made at the officer board meeting May 19, 2014 at noon.

SDNA 2014 Convention: SDNA Convention will be held October 5 – 6, 2014 in Rapid City. District IV members will be bringing live and silent auction items.

IV Officers for 2014 – 2017: President – Janice Noonan, Vice President – Vicky Steh Secretary – Margie Washnok

Next Meeting: September 8, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at Presentation College Room 209

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Goehring, RNC BSN District IV President

District 5 & 7

District 7 members and Dakota Wesleyan Nursing students partnered at the 20th Annual Mitchell Area Chamber Health Fair in February. The two groups staffed booths presenting health topics such as vision screening for children, cholesterol screening, and pre-diabetes awareness.

Nurses from District 7 staff the First Aid Station at Dakota Fest held in Mitchell in August. Working in conjunction with local EMT’s and Paramedics from Mitchell Fire and Rescue, AED Education was the focus. Sun Safety is also a key focus of the family education provided.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Sudbeck, President, District 5 & 7

Join the team that makes a difference every day

Welcov is looking for nursing professionals:
Bellevue Healthcare Community, Bellevue
Wheatcrest Healthcare Community, Britton
Presbyterian Healthcare Community, Elk Point
Paislcy Healthcare Community, Garretson
Firestone Healthcare Community, Mitchell
Fountain Springs Healthcare Community, Rapid City
David M. Dorsett Healthcare Community, Spearfish

Apply Today
WELCOV.COM/CAREERS
Or visit your local community

As a Veterans Affairs Nurse, I’m inventing a new model of health care.

Dr. Carol Peterson speaking to District 8 and 9 SDNA members during the May meeting in her home.

Our last meeting before summer set in (for a few weeks!) was hosted by Eileen Bruner-Halverson, along with husband Phil. It is hard to beat Tom Stenvig’s grilled stuffed steak! The weather cooperated so along with the steak there was a wonderful potluck meal served outside on the deck. The evening included a business meeting, with Long Lake being the view.

Our monthly meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Tuesday in the month. We have been meeting at the Old Market Eatery in Brookings where we order from the menu, have a short business meeting, and then enjoy our guest speaker. We are always open to suggestions and offers of different venues for our meetings.

Sincerely,
Eileen Bruner-Halverson
President, SDNA District 8/9
Eileen.bruner@sdstate.edu, Ph # 605-530-1298

District News continued on page 5

September, October, November 2014

Apply Today
VAcareers.va.gov/ALD

Follow VA Careers

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Veteran Health Administration
In April we hosted the Spring Workshop; we had about 30 attend the event. There were six speakers and some great topics covered:

- “PTSD in Nurses,” Dawn Van Ruler, CNS/NP, MS
- “Social Media and Its Effect on Healthcare,” Darcy Sherman Justice, MS, RN, NE-BC and Teresa Frederick
- “Drug Diversion,” Maria Eining MA, CCDCIII, LPC-MH, QMHP
- “IOM/Future of Nursing Report,” Darcy Sherman Justice, MS, RN, NE-BC and Linda Young, RN, MS, FNE
- “A Heads Up on Traumatic Brain Injury,” Michelle VanDemark, MSN, RN, ANP-BC

We considered this a positive event for our district and could perhaps see it as an annual endeavor.

We have taken the months of May thru August off, since this is a time for vacations and family commitments. We are set to resume our meetings in Sept. 2014.

We will also begin our discussion on the SDNA state convention that District 10 will host for 2015. We are thinking about having a contest to come up with the theme for the 2015 State convention. The contest prize might be a money value or paid attendance for the convention.

We are finding that meetings are better attended if there is an educational offering with CEs provided, so we are always on the search for interesting topics, and Becky Nichols has offered to obtain the credentialing needed to offer CEs if given enough advance time.

Again, I am always looking for a way to improve the monthly meeting attendance, which seems to be a challenge for any organization out there today. Still exploring online sharing, possibly a District 10 area on the SDNA web page.

SO GET READY FOR A BUSY YEAR!
Rapid City Welcomes You to the SDNA Annual Convention!

Pat Shaver, District 1, 2, 3 President

The members of Districts 1, 2, and 3 welcome you to Rapid City and the beautiful Black Hills area for our 2014 convention, with its theme of “You Are Not Alone! Close Encounters of the Nursing Kind”. Join us to renew friendships with nurse colleagues from across the state, to learn and grow with wonderful speakers and programs, to be informed and inspired by all that SDNA and ANA members and leaders are doing for nursing, and to participate at the business meeting as we move forward. The convention will be at the Ramkota on October 5 and 6. The schedule of events and registration materials are in this issue of SDNurse and are also available on the SDNA website. Members have received the brochure in the mail. Please register right away, and plan to join us!

Our dynamic guest speaker, Elizabeth Scala, will guide us toward “close encounters of the nursing kind” as we explore the Nurse Within model and its application to our practice. She will present a keynote address on “Leaders from the Inside Out”, a plenary session on “Applications of the Nurse Within Model”, and a breakout session on the individual nurse and self-care through Reiki as a self-empowerment tool. Her sessions are tailored to South Dakota nurses and their practice. In addition, we will have the opportunity to learn from and be inspired by our colleagues on several clinical, workplace, and policy topics: Heather Lester and Pat Herr (E ICU), Janice Conlee (Elevated Liver Enzymes), and Darcy Sherman-Justice and Linda Young (South Dakota Action Coalition, the IOM Future of Nursing Report’s recommendations, and Shaping the Future of Healthcare). Plan to participate in these other convention activities:

- Silent and Live Auction (obtain some treasures while you donate to the organization! Send your items to Kay Foland or bring to convention)
- Social Hour and Banquet (greet colleagues and make new friends)
- Exhibitors (gain valuable information for your practice)
- Business Meeting (your opportunity to participate in the work of the organization)
- Awards Luncheon (celebrate the great work our colleagues are doing in South Dakota)

Our convention planning team is excited about the fine program we have planned for everyone; the facility; and our location in the beautiful Black Hills (bring your family and stay awhile!). See you in October to celebrate that, as our theme states, “You Are Not Alone!”

**Register for the 2014 SDNA Annual Convention Today!**

To qualify for early rates, the registration form below must be filled out for each attendee and sent with payment to the SDNA office by September 12, 2014 (postmark).

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>SDNA Member</th>
<th>Non-Member</th>
<th>Student Nurse</th>
<th><strong>New SDNA Member</strong> (register before Sept. 1)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Sunday only</td>
<td>$80.00</td>
<td>$110.00</td>
<td>$45.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Monday only</td>
<td>$80.00</td>
<td>$110.00</td>
<td>$45.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Full Convention</td>
<td>$140.00</td>
<td>$205.00</td>
<td>$75.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>After September 12, 2014</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sunday only</td>
<td>$90.00</td>
<td>$122.00</td>
<td>$50.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Monday only</td>
<td>$90.00</td>
<td>$122.00</td>
<td>$50.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Full Convention</td>
<td>$165.00</td>
<td>$229.00</td>
<td>$85.00</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- Full refunds less a $25.00 processing fee, allowed in case of major personal emergency when notice is given at least 96 hours prior to the start of the event.
- SDNA cannot be held responsible for weather-related problems.
- Due to the expenses that are incurred during the planning of this event, there will be no refunds issued if the event is cancelled for any reason including, but not limited to, bad weather, natural disaster, or acts of terrorism.
- Fees include education programs and materials, refreshments and meals as noted on the agenda.
- **New SDNA Members**: Membership Application and Convention Registration Form, along with payment, must be sent to SDNA Office together to receive discounted rate before September 1, 2014.

Name ___________________________ Are you a RN? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(please print as it will appear on the nametag.)

Address ______________________________ Phone ______________________________

City ___________________________ State ______ Zip __________

Email ______________________________

The South Dakota Nurses Foundation (SDNF) is a charitable organization affiliated with SDNA to support nursing in South Dakota through education, research, and service. Please consider supporting SDNF by “Round Up” your registration fee.

Make your check payable to SDNA and mail to the SDNA Office:

| Registration Fee | $ __________________________ |
| Round Up to SDNF | $ __________________________ |
| Total Submitted | $ __________________________ |

Employees of Health Care Facilities/Nursing School Faculty: If 10 or more employees from your health care facility or nursing school register for convention, you are each eligible to receive a 10% discount on your registration fee. The registrations must be mailed together in 1 packet to qualify for the discount.

Discount Total 10% | $ __________________________ |
| Total | $ __________________________ |

Employer Name: ___________________________
You Are Not Alone! Close Encounters of the Nursing Kind

2014 SDNA Annual Convention
October 5 – 6, 2014
Ramkota Convention Center
Rapid City, SD

Sunday, October 5, 2014
9:00 AM – Noon Board of Directors Meeting
11:00 AM – 1:00 PM Registration
1:00 PM – 1:15 PM Opening Ceremony
Welcome: Mayor Sam Kooiker
Presentation of Colors: American Legion Post 22 Honor Guard, Rapid City
1:15 PM – 2:15 PM Keynote Address
Topic: “Leadership from the Inside Out”
Speaker: Elizabeth Scala MSN/MBA, RN
2:15 PM – 2:30 PM Break
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM Educational Breakout Sessions
1. Topic: eICU
Speakers: Heather Lester RN, BSN, and Keith Holt BSN, RN
2. Topic: “Sorting out Elevated Liver Enzymes”
Speaker: Janice Conlee MS, NP-C, RN
3:30 PM – 4:00 PM Break
4:00 PM – 5:30 PM SDNA Convention Business Meeting
5:30 PM – 6:30 PM Social
6:30 PM – 9:30 PM Banquet and Live Auction

Monday, October 6, 2014
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM Registration
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM Keynote Address
Topic: South Dakota Action Coalition (SDAC)—A Driving Force for Implementation of the IOM Future of Nursing Recommendations
Speakers: Darcy Sherman-Justice MS, BSN, RN, NE-BC and Linda Young RN, MSN, FNE, BC
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM Exhibitor Break
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM Educational Breakout Sessions
1. Topic: “Reiki as a Self-empowerment Tool”
Speaker: Elizabeth Scala MSN/MBA, RN
2. Topic: South Dakota Action Coalition (SDAC)—Shaping the Future of Healthcare through Nursing Group Discussion and Action Planning
Speakers: Darcy Sherman-Justice MS, BSN, RN, NE-BC and Linda Young RN, MSN, FNE, BC
11:30 AM – Noon Exhibitor Break & Silent Auction Closing
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM Award Luncheon
SDNA Presidential Address
2015 Convention Invitation – Sioux Falls
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM Exhibitor Break
2:00 PM – 3:00 PM Plenary Session
Topic: “Applications of the Nurse Within Model”
Speaker: Elizabeth Scala MSN/MBA, RN
3:00 PM – 3:15 PM Closing Ceremony
3:30 PM Post-Convention Board of Directors Meeting
ANA Membership Assembly Delegate

Anna Attetberry
- School/College of Nursing: ADN, University of South Dakota
- Present position and place of employment: Sioux Falls Site and Graduate Coordinator, South Dakota State University College of Nursing
- Personal Statement: I have been a member of SDNA/ANA for many years. During that time I have not only witnessed and observed that the ‘constant’ over the years has been ‘change’. It’s inevitable. However, what is different from the discussions of the past is the positive focus and support towards wellness and access to care. This debate has been ongoing for 50+ years but we are finally making positive ground. The role that nurses have now and will have in the upcoming years will continue to change. As professional nurses, we need to be aligned and positioned to create a healthcare environment that will provide quality care to ALL persons. I support the National agenda to expand healthcare access and look forward to contributing to National and State Members of Nurses Associations to accomplish this. It will involve dialogue and compromise from all to reach this goal, but I believe as nurses we can and should be the ones to expand healthcare access and look forward to collaborating with National and State members of Nurses Associations to accomplish this. It will involve dialogue, compromise and dialogue from all to reach this goal, but I believe as nurses we can and should be the ones to lead the change. Why? Because it involves the core of our profession. It is also the right thing to do, which is the foundation of the practice of humanity.

Barbara Goehring
- School/College of Nursing: LPN, Lake Area Technical Vocational School, AND and BSN, Presentation college
- Personal Statement: In my nursing career I have and will always be compassionate and a very strong advocate for patients and their families. I will inspire present and future nurses to engage in the changes of healthcare. As nurses we need to unite to take action and tackle the challenges of healthcare affecting nurses, patients, families and communities. I would be proud to represent SDNA as the delegate for ANA Membership Assembly.

Personal Statement: As a lifelong member of ANA and SDNA, I have watched the growth over the years. The CNE-NET is an active part of our organization. A number of years ago I worked the Continuing Ed committee, and I believe that with my education background and previous experience will be a positive asset to this committee now.

Michelle Mason
- School/College of Nursing: BSN, South Dakota State University
- Area of Practice: Nursing Education
- Personal Statement: I am passionate about nursing education and feel strongly that SDNA has a responsibility to ensure quality continuing nursing education activities are available to all South Dakota nurses. Quality continuing education ensures professional development and advancement. Important nursing education topics include access to quality health care, the Affordable Care Act and nurse fatigue.

Continuing Nursing Education Committee

Kay Poland
- School/College of Nursing: BSN, South Dakota State University; RN, BSN, UNMC, PhD, University of Texas at Houston; RN Dip – RCR School of NRG
- Personal Statement: Having been involved with ANA nationally for the past 26 years, I am familiar with the organization and current issues and priorities. I served as a delegate to ANA at every House of Delegates from 1988 through 2012, except once, and have experience and knowledge about how the membership can participate in governance through the Membership Assembly. I elected, I will keep myself informed and be an active voice for the South Dakota membership.

Government Relations Committee Chair

Carrie Clausen Hansen
- School/College of Nursing: ADN, Presentation College; BSN, South Dakota State University; MS Nursing Education, Walden University
- Personal Statement: By nature, those who enter the nursing profession do so to serve others; therefore, they often it is a nursing acts of violence and/or aggression. Whether the behavior comes from patients, colleagues, superiors or physicians it endangers not only the nurse but also patient safety. Disruptive, aggressive and violent behavior should not and cannot be tolerated in healthcare.

Roxanne (Roxy) Vandendries
- School/College of Nursing: South Dakota State University
- Personal Statement: As a lifelong member of ANA and SDNA, I have watched the growth over the years. The CNE-NET is an active part of our organization. A number of years ago I worked the Continuing Ed committee, and I believe that with my education background and previous experience will be a positive asset to this committee now.

Candidates for Office continued on page 9
Nominations Committee

Julianna Kollars
- School/College of Nursing: South Dakota State University College of Nursing
- Area of Practice: Cardiac Care
- Present position and place of employment: Cardiac Cath Lab Nurse at Sanford Health, Sioux Falls
- Professional Organization Activities at District (Region), Council, State, National Levels for the past five years, including Student Association Office: South Dakota Nursing Student Association Vice President, 2011-2012
- Personal Statement: Healthcare is facing many new challenges and transformations since the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act was signed into law in 2012. These challenges and transformations will create leadership opportunities for the nursing practice, which makes it critical to have appropriately educated nurses and also professional organizations to support the nursing profession. For this reason, I would like to participate as a Nominations Committee member in the South Dakota Nursing Association.

Mary Anne Krogh
- School/College of Nursing: South Dakota State University
- Additional Professional Education: MS, St. Mary’s University of Minnesota; PhD, South Dakota State University; CRNA, Minneapolis School of Anesthesia
- Area of Practice: Anesthesia
- Present position and place of employment: Clinical Director, Mount Marty College Nurse Anesthesia Program
- Professional Organization Activities at District (Region), Council, State, National Levels for the past five years, including Student Association Office: President – National Board for Certification/Recertification of Nurse Anesthetists
- Personal Statement: Since moving back to South Dakota, I have been interested in becoming more involved in state association activities, both within and outside my specialty area. I believe that through collaborative processes, nurses can make a big impact on our health care system. I am interested in consideration for the SDNA Nominations Committee.

Dawn R. Warren
- School/College of Nursing: BSN and MSN, South Dakota State University
- Area of Practice: Nurse Educator
- Personal position and place of employment: Faculty member of USD Department of Nursing (for at least 21 years)
- Professional Organization Activities at District (Region), Council, State, National Levels for the past five years, including Student Association Office: SDNA Secretary for District 1, 2, 3; helped plan multiple events and 2014 SDNA convention
- Personal Statement: I have been a RN in the state of South Dakota for over 23 years and feel that it is critical that our South Dakota nurses are aware of and involved in what is happening in our state in relation to both workforce issues and legislative issues. Our profession and the healthcare issues that affect us are constantly changing, and we need to be at the table when those changes happen and decisions are made. I am currently the District 1, 2, and 3 Secretary, where I have been very active, and I look forward to the opportunity to serve as an SDNA Nominations Committee Member.

Robert K. Olson
- School/College of Nursing: PhD, Saint Louis University; MSN, Washington University, St. Louis; BS in Nursing, South Dakota State University
- Area of Practice: Nursing Education Administration; Clinical – Nursing of Children
- Personal Statement: Ongoing involvement in the legislative and political process is critical to our practice and our client’s health. Awareness, advocacy, and activity in the legislative process is crucial for today’s practitioners, whether or not one “likes” politics. I believe my involvement on the GRRC for over 15 years has provided me with the knowledge and experience to follow in the footsteps of past leaders and assure that SDNA members are informed and involved in the process.

Secretary
Anna Ateberry
- School/College of Nursing: ADN, University of South Dakota; BSN, MSN, South Dakota State University
- Area of Practice: Education/Administration/Medical-Surgical
- Present position and place of employment: Sioux Falls Site and Graduate Coordinator, South Dakota State University College of Nursing
- Personal Statement: I have been a member of SDNA/ANA for many years. During that time I have not only witnessed and observed that the ‘constant’ over the years has been ‘change’. It’s inevitable. However, what is different from the discussions of the past is the positive focus and support towards wellness and access to care. This debate has been ongoing for 50+ years but we are finally making positive ground. The role that nurses have now and will have in the upcoming years will continue to change. As professional nurses, we need to be aligned and positioned to create a healthcare environment that will provide quality care to ALL persons. I support the National agenda to expand healthcare access and look forward to collaborating with National and State members of Nurses Associations to accomplish this. It will involve dialogue and compromise from all to reach this goal, but I believe as nurses we can and should be the ones leading the charge. Why? Because it involves the core of our nursing practice. It is also the right thing to do, which is the foundation of the practice of humanity.

Join SDNA Today!
Application on page 13 or join online at sdnurses.org
www.keystonetreatment.com

Keystone Treatment is the “Beginning of Freedom” for Medical Professionals.

Addiction is more prevalent in the healthcare profession than in almost any other profession.
- 10% to 20% of nurses have some substance abuse issues.
- 15% of doctors will have a drug dependency at some point in their career.
- 13% of current surgeons have alcohol dependency.
- 15% addiction rate in the dental profession.

Having successfully treated medical professionals for over 40 years, Keystone Treatment offers the best and most effective tools and expertise to help people in the medical field heal from addiction and safely return to their profession.

Our staff includes ASAM Certified addictionologists, Psychologists, Psychiatrists and Counselors. We promote a family recovery program and invite family members to attend.
Every nurse in South Dakota should know the South Dakota Nurses Association (SDNA) is an affiliate of the American Nurses Association (ANA), the professional organization for all registered nurses in the U.S. As the official publication of SDNA, the South Dakota Nurse is sent to every licensed registered nurse in the state, members and non-members alike. I was asked to write an article targeting non-members who receive this publication about why being a member of ANA and SDNA is important. The ANA website at http://www.nursingworld.org provides a comprehensive list of the tangible benefits one can expect with membership to ANA and SDNA. Having been a member of ANA and a state nurses association like SDNA since I became a registered nurse over 43 years ago, I am pleased to share a few additional thoughts about basic principles and five good reasons why you should consider membership beyond the items in the standard member benefits list.

Reason #1: What nurses do is important!

Regardless of your educational preparation, being a registered nurse represents a considerable sacrifice during the educational journey and a commitment to uphold practice and ethical standards for the profession and to safeguard the public once you are licensed. In living up to this obligation, nursing has been recognized as the most respected and trusted profession in the U.S. As the official publication of the professional organization for all registered nurses in the U.S., the South Dakota Nurse is one important way to demonstrate your concern for the public health and commitment to better patient care.

Thus, nurses have earned the public’s trust and the privilege to associate intimately with people in all stages of life, at their best and at their worst, and at times when they are most vulnerable and in greatest need. Wherever there are people, there is a need for a nurse. Upholding and protecting this image of nursing is paramount to ANA and SDNA and do. Do you believe in nursing and that what you have worked for in becoming a registered nurse is a source of personal pride? Do you think the work of nurses is valuable and worth supporting? If so, being a member is one way for you to show it.

You may be thinking, “What about specialty organizations?” (This is a reasonable concern, but I’ll get to that in a moment.) It is from the perspective of representing the interests and work of all nurses and advocating for the importance of nursing in society and health care that ANA and SDNA differ from nursing specialty organizations. While specialty organizations provide opportunities for education, improving practice, and networking within a specialty, ANA and SDNA function on a different plane in advocating for all nurses and nursing as a profession in all roles and settings.

Reason #2: There is power in numbers!

Personally, I never questioned the importance of membership based on this simple principle alone. ANA and SDNA represent the interests of all nurses. How loud a voice can any one individual have? By comparison, how loud can that voice be if it is multiplied and therefore most vulnerable and most important? If 10,000 RNs in South Dakota were SDNA members, and 3 million nurses in the U.S. were ANA members, imagine how loud our collective voice could be in advocating for things that are important to us! Yes, there is power in numbers!

Reason #3: ANA and SDNA members care about patients!

Being a member of ANA and SDNA isn’t just about “What’s in it for me?” The more appropriate question is “What’s does my membership do to benefit patients (broadly defined)?” The answer is, “Plenty!” The profession of nursing has a longstanding social contract with society about who we are and what we do that transcends the individual nurse. This contract endures beyond the contributions of single members of the profession as they move in and out of the active workforce. Nursing exists but for one reason – our patients! What ANA and SDNA do on behalf of nurses is really done with the ultimate purpose of fulfilling our social contract and obligations to society to advocate for the interests of all nurses. If you care about patients, being a member of ANA and SDNA is another way to demonstrate your concern for the public health and commitment to better patient care.

Reason #4: You can network and make new friends!

We live in a digital age where power, influence, and opportunities for personal growth and advancement is becoming less a function of WHAT you know and more dependent on WHO you know. Membership in ANA and SDNA is becoming less a function of WHAT you know and more of WHO you know. Membership in ANA and SDNA amount to less than 80 cents per day. By any measure, that is a bargain. So please, pay your dues!

In the eloquent words of Thomas Stenvig, “there is power in numbers!” Being a member of ANA and SDNA isn’t just about “What’s in it for me?” The more appropriate question is “What’s does my membership do to benefit patients (broadly defined)?” The answer is, “Plenty!” The profession of nursing has a longstanding social contract with society about who we are and what we do that transcends the individual nurse. This contract endures beyond the contributions of single members of the profession as they move in and out of the active workforce. Nursing exists but for one reason – our patients! What ANA and SDNA do on behalf of nurses is really done with the ultimate purpose of fulfilling our social contract and obligations to society to advocate for the interests of all nurses. If you care about patients, being a member of ANA and SDNA is another way to demonstrate your concern for the public health and commitment to better patient care.

Reason #5: You get to pay your dues!

You may be wondering what I mean by suggesting the opportunity to pay your dues is a good reason to join. In reality, the critical work of ANA and SDNA goes beyond dues being paid and not being a freeloader. Even if you are not active, paying your dues provides the resources for other active members to carry on important work on behalf of our profession, and ultimately, for the benefit of all nurses.

Reason #6. You might learn something new!

Membership in ANA and SDNA is dependent on the work of volunteer members to accomplish much of their work. If you decide to do more than pay dues and get involved, here is a short list of ways you may benefit personally while contributing to the work of the organization:

• Showing that you are active in a professional organization
• Your professional network will grow
• You will develop long-life friendships you otherwise would not have had
• You can fully appreciate how professional and legal regulation of nursing practice work in tandem to complement each other
• You may gain opportunities to conquer your fear of public speaking
• You can learn how to:
  - develop a meeting agenda
  - preside at a meeting following parliamentary procedures to maintain order
  - delegate and coordinate
  - organize and evaluate continuing professional education offerings
  - collaborate with others to develop position papers, platforms, and arguments from the perspective of nursing
  - lobby and communicate effectively with elected and other public officials about things important to nurses
  - analyze policies through the lens of the nursing profession
  - participate in developing practice and ethical standards for the profession
  - manage an election campaign
  - gracefully accept defeat when things don’t turn out your way
  - raise funds and ask people for money for a good cause without being embarrassed
  - manage a volunteer not for profit corporations

You may be asking how I came up with this short list. The answer is personal experience. Over my career I have been one of those members willing to be involved. I can sincerely say I grew up professionally from the perspective of representing the interests and membership beyond the items in the standard member benefits list. For too many, nursing is just a job. I hope you are not that kind of nurse. Being a member of ANA and SDNA is really done with the ultimate purpose of fulfilling our social contract and obligations to society to advocate for the interests of all nurses. If you care about patients, being a member of ANA and SDNA is another way to demonstrate your concern for the public health and commitment to better patient care.
September, October, November 2014

SDNA Board of Directors

President
Term: 2013 – 2015
Margie Washnok
District 4
Home: 725.5354 * Office: 229.8478
Washnok@midco.net
drmargie.washnok@presentation.edu

Vice President
Term: 2013 – 2015
Margie Washnok
District 4
Home: 725.5354 * Office: 229.8478
Washnok@midco.net
drmargie.washnok@presentation.edu

Secretary
Term: 2012 – 2014
Kay Folden
District 2
Home: 341.3876 * Office: 394.6195
KayFolden@sdsstate.edu

Treasurer
Term: 2013 – 2015
Deb Fischer-Clemens
District 10
Home: 770.9265 * Office: 322.4668
District 10
Deb Fischer-Clemens
Term: 2013 – 2015
Treasurer
deb.fischerclemens@avera.org

Government Relations Committee (GRC) Chair
Term: 2012 – 2014
Carrie Claussen-Hansen
District 4
Home: 887.3766
carrie.clausenhansen@yahoo.com

Core Issues Task Force Chair
Term: 2013 – 2015
Darcy Sherman Justice
District 10
Home: 322-7833
darcy.shermanjustice@avera.org

President, District 1-3
Term: 2012 – 2014
Pat Shaver
Home: 347-7681
patshaver@gmail.com

President, District 4
Term: 2012 – 2014
Barb Goehring
Home: 226.1174
barbara.goehring@avera.org

President, District 6
Vacant

President, District 5 & 7
Term: 2013 – 2015
Pat Sudbeck
Home: 928.3202
Patricia.Sudbeck@avera.org

SDNA Staff
Eric Ollila
Executive Director

President, District 8 & 9
Term: 2013 – 2015
Eileen Bruner
Home: 256.8909
brunereileen@hotmail.com

President, District 10
Term: 2013 – 2015
Marian Eberhard
Home: 668.6000
kathy.burt@mtmc.edu

Volunteers Needed!

What is SERV SD? A database of pre-registered health care professionals who are ready to volunteer in the event of an emergency.

Who should volunteer? Everyone! All skill levels and experience needed.

When registering with SERV SD, you can join preparedness groups in your community.

Who do I contact if I have questions?

Visit us online today: SERV.SD.gov

September is Preparedness Month

SDNA Staff

Paraish Nursing Course at Augustana

Foundations of Faith Community Nursing Course (Parish Nursing) is being offered February 2 through March 28 online followed by two days on-site April 16 & 17, 2015. Both parts are required for completion. Registration deadline is January 12, 2015. Application has been made for continuing education contact hours.

For more information contact:
Mary Auerman,
phone 605.334.6505 or 605.274.4721 or
e-mail mary.auterman@augie.edu

RN to BSN—Earn graduate credits while completing your Bachelor’s degree.

RN to MSN—Apply BSN requirements toward your Master’s degree.

MSN—Specialize in education, administration or primary care practice.

Post-MSN Certificate—Advance your expertise in a specialized area.

Online full- & part-time options for Master’s degree prepared nurses.

DNP—Improve health care delivery and patient outcomes.

Ed.D.—Become a leader in health care education or administration.

Visit ClarksonCollege.edu for program information.

Preparing the best to take the lead.
Registered Nurses are recognized as the most trusted healthcare providers. As professional leaders, Registered Nurses must advocate for those to whom we provide services and the policies and practices that regulate the services. By establishing and maintaining a professional profile, each Registered Nurse has an opportunity to become involved in activities that match their personal interests and/or goals for professional development.

The American Nurses Association (ANA) electronically maintains SDNA’s membership database. By completing the profile update on “My ANA,” your information will be entered into SDNA’s membership database. Dependent on your professional information, you may be contacted to support state level activities or represent our Association at the national level in professional activities such as virtual or onsite committees, speaking during legislative sessions on matters relating to your area of expertise, or planning celebratory events for you and your colleagues. Lost your membership card? Log onto the profile page and print yourself a new one!

Steps for logging in to My ANA:
1) Go to www.nursingworld.org
2) Go to the upper left-hand side of the screen and select “My ANA”
   a. This is to the right of the ANA logo.
3) Enter your username and password
   a. The username will be your email address.
b. If you can’t remember your password, use the “reset/forgot your password?” option.
c. If you are still having trouble, email ANA at memberinfo@ana.org or call the Membership Department at 1-800-923-7709
4) Once you have logged-in to “My ANA,” you will be able to see a blue box at the center of the screen with several options.
a. Above this box, it will say “My ANA – Your Name”
5) Select “Modify Your Profile” from the blue box in order to update any of your personal information, such as, your mailing address, your phone number, or your email address.
6) Select “Update Credit Card Information” to update payment information for recurring monthly payments.
7) The blue box will also give you the option to “Print Member ID Card” if you desire.
The South Dakota Center for Nursing Workforce, in collaboration with the South Dakota Nurses Association, is pleased to offer:

Leadership at All Levels
November 10, 2014
8:30 – 4:30 PM
Sioux Falls, South Dakota
(In the Prairie Center Sr. Colman Room on the Avera McKennan Hospital Campus)

Recommendations from the Institute of Medicine’s Future of Nursing Report 2010 report calls us to expand opportunities for nurses to lead and diffuse collaborative improvement efforts and to prepare and enable nurses to lead change to advance health. The South Dakota Nursing Workforce Center, in partnership with the South Dakota Nurses Association, is hosting this continuing education conference to prepare nurses, at all levels of practice and experience, to lead future changes and collaborative improvement.

This educational event will prepare participants to:
1. Describe leadership at all levels.
2. Discuss how nurses impact legislation at the state and national level.
3. Discuss the importance of influence and mentoring to prepare nurses to lead.
4. Identify what I need to know before serving on a committee or board to best prepare myself for the leadership role.
5. Discuss ways to prepare nurses to help lead the future of nursing and healthcare.

In the Black Hills of South Dakota, you’ll discover a great place to live and work. We’ve invested our resources to create a career environment built upon a commitment to excellence. You’ll find yourself putting compassion into practice while you work with leading-edge technology. Regional Health, a system of hospitals, clinics, and senior care facilities, offers the best of both worlds to nurses: competitive pay and benefits presented with valuable opportunities for career development in an atmosphere of respect.

Call Today
1-800-865-2638
or visit www.regionalhealth.com for current openings, job descriptions, and benefits.

Golden Living Center in Pierre, SD has openings for RNs and LPNs.

We are looking for qualified RNs and LPNs to join us in our mission to share our passion for improving quality of life through innovative healthcare, one person, one family, and one community at a time. Open positions include evening and full time nights. If you are interested in this great job opportunity, then please give us a call, stop by and pick up an application, or find us online at jobs.goldenliving.com.

Golden Living Center–Pierre
605-224-8628
950 Park St., Pierre, SD 57501

Taking care of your insurance needs
• Life Insurance
• Disability Insurance
• Long-Term Care Insurance

Call me today for more information:
Mike Erger • 1-877-421-1027

Taking care of your insurance needs
• Life Insurance
• Disability Insurance
• Long-Term Care Insurance

Call me today for more information:
Mike Erger • 1-877-421-1027

Insurance products and services underwritten by Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company or one of its affiliates, Omaha, NE 68175. This is a solicitation of insurance. By responding, you are requesting to have a licensed agent (in WA, producer) contact you to provide additional information. 4/27/2011

Taking care of your insurance needs
• Life Insurance
• Disability Insurance
• Long-Term Care Insurance

Call me today for more information:
Mike Erger • 1-877-421-1027

Insurance products and services underwritten by Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company or one of its affiliates, Omaha, NE 68175. This is a solicitation of insurance. By responding, you are requesting to have a licensed agent (in WA, producer) contact you to provide additional information. 4/27/2011

Equal Opportunity Employer

Golden Living Center
in Pierre, SD has
openings for RNs and LPNs.

We are looking for qualified RNs and LPNs to join us in our mission to share our passion for improving quality of life through innovative healthcare, one person, one family, and one community at a time. Open positions include evening and full time nights. If you are interested in this great job opportunity, then please give us a call, stop by and pick up an application, or find us online at jobs.goldenliving.com.

Golden Living Center–Pierre
605-224-8628
950 Park St., Pierre, SD 57501

Taking care of your insurance needs
• Life Insurance
• Disability Insurance
• Long-Term Care Insurance

Call me today for more information:
Mike Erger • 1-877-421-1027

Insurance products and services underwritten by Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company or one of its affiliates, Omaha, NE 68175. This is a solicitation of insurance. By responding, you are requesting to have a licensed agent (in WA, producer) contact you to provide additional information. 4/27/2011

Equal Opportunity Employer

Golden Living Center
in Pierre, SD has
openings for RNs and LPNs.

We are looking for qualified RNs and LPNs to join us in our mission to share our passion for improving quality of life through innovative healthcare, one person, one family, and one community at a time. Open positions include evening and full time nights. If you are interested in this great job opportunity, then please give us a call, stop by and pick up an application, or find us online at jobs.goldenliving.com.

Golden Living Center–Pierre
605-224-8628
950 Park St., Pierre, SD 57501

Taking care of your insurance needs
• Life Insurance
• Disability Insurance
• Long-Term Care Insurance

Call me today for more information:
Mike Erger • 1-877-421-1027

Insurance products and services underwritten by Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company or one of its affiliates, Omaha, NE 68175. This is a solicitation of insurance. By responding, you are requesting to have a licensed agent (in WA, producer) contact you to provide additional information. 4/27/2011

Golden Living Center
in Pierre, SD has
openings for RNs and LPNs.

We are looking for qualified RNs and LPNs to join us in our mission to share our passion for improving quality of life through innovative healthcare, one person, one family, and one community at a time. Open positions include evening and full time nights. If you are interested in this great job opportunity, then please give us a call, stop by and pick up an application, or find us online at jobs.goldenliving.com.

Golden Living Center–Pierre
605-224-8628
950 Park St., Pierre, SD 57501

Taking care of your insurance needs
• Life Insurance
• Disability Insurance
• Long-Term Care Insurance

Call me today for more information:
Mike Erger • 1-877-421-1027

Insurance products and services underwritten by Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company or one of its affiliates, Omaha, NE 68175. This is a solicitation of insurance. By responding, you are requesting to have a licensed agent (in WA, producer) contact you to provide additional information. 4/27/2011

Golden Living Center
in Pierre, SD has
openings for RNs and LPNs.

We are looking for qualified RNs and LPNs to join us in our mission to share our passion for improving quality of life through innovative healthcare, one person, one family, and one community at a time. Open positions include evening and full time nights. If you are interested in this great job opportunity, then please give us a call, stop by and pick up an application, or find us online at jobs.goldenliving.com.

Golden Living Center–Pierre
605-224-8628
950 Park St., Pierre, SD 57501

Taking care of your insurance needs
• Life Insurance
• Disability Insurance
• Long-Term Care Insurance

Call me today for more information:
Mike Erger • 1-877-421-1027

Insurance products and services underwritten by Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company or one of its affiliates, Omaha, NE 68175. This is a solicitation of insurance. By responding, you are requesting to have a licensed agent (in WA, producer) contact you to provide additional information. 4/27/2011

Golden Living Center
in Pierre, SD has
openings for RNs and LPNs.

We are looking for qualified RNs and LPNs to join us in our mission to share our passion for improving quality of life through innovative healthcare, one person, one family, and one community at a time. Open positions include evening and full time nights. If you are interested in this great job opportunity, then please give us a call, stop by and pick up an application, or find us online at jobs.goldenliving.com.
Every Registered Nurse in the state receives a copy of South Dakota Nurse – whether or not you are a member. So if you are not a member, please carefully weigh your decision. The old adage that “there is strength in numbers” is absolutely true. The South Dakota Nurses Association advocates for you and your profession. When we meet with your legislators and they ask us how many Registered Nurses there are in the state and we reply nearly 17,000 they are impressed. But then, they ask us how many members we have and we reply a bit over 400 members. The good first impression quickly goes away.

It is quick and easy to join ANA/SDNA online.

Below are instructions on how to join for non-members.

You can join ANA by going to www.nursingworld.org and selecting the red button that says “Join” and then following the steps below:

1) Enter their email address in the white box and select “Join Now”

2) Select that you are a registered nurse and select your state then hit “Continue”

3) Select the membership type that you would like to join and hit “Continue”

a. If you select ANA and State Membership, you will need to choose their current status and District/Chapter/Region (typically this will be the county that you live in) and then select “Search”

i. You will then need to choose whether you want to pay annually or monthly and then select “Become a Member”

ii. If you choose monthly, you will need to check the monthly deduction authorization box, agreeing to have ANA deduct monthly payments.

4) You will then be able to choose if you want to make a donation to ANF or PAC

a. If you do not wish to make a donation, you can just select “Continue”

5) Next you will need to select “Checkout” in order to move to the profile and payment sections

6) This will bring you to a page where you will need to either log in or create an account

a. If you have created a profile with us before, then you can just login, if not, you can select “Create an Account”
9) You can now enter your credit card information and select “Process My Order.”

Welcome New Members

District 1, 2 & 3
Jennifer Neil
Barbara A. Deal
Jennifer Deziel
Linda Perrin

District 4
Paula Bearman
Klaudia Capp
Ashley Ewing

District 5, 6 & 7
Katie Robinson
Twila M. Wallman
Layla Lindberg
Danielle Brook Moyer
Kristi Parris
Ann Sarutski-Tucker
Samantha Headrick
Jessica Leibling

District 8 & 9
Janet Clark

District 10
Lindsay Flannery
Lavonne Hall

Registered Nurse Safe Staffing Bill Introduced in Senate

Bill Highlights Importance of Nurse Staffing Levels

SILVER SPRING, MD – The American Nurses Association (ANA) applauds the introduction of federal legislation in the U.S. Senate that empowers registered nurses (RNs) to drive staffing decisions in hospitals, protect patients and improve the quality of care.

The Registered Nurse Safe Staffing Act of 2014 (S. 2353), crafted with input from ANA, is sponsored by Sen. Jeff Merkley (D-OR). ANA supports a companion staffing bill introduced in the House in May 2013, the Registered Nurse Safe Staffing Act of 2013 (H.R. 1821).

“It is encouraging that members of both chambers of Congress understand the connection between nurse staffing and patient safety. There is no room for debate: when there are appropriate nurse staffing levels, lives are saved and patient outcomes improve,” said ANA President Karen A. Daley, PhD, RN, FAAN. “With federal legislation we can vastly advance the quality of patient care and improve working conditions for nurses.”

Research has shown that higher staffing levels by experienced RNs are linked to lower rates of patient falls, infections, medication errors, and even death. And when unanticipated events happen in a hospital setting, in patient death, injury, or permanent loss of function, inadequate nurse staffing often is cited as a contributing factor.

“As the husband of a nurse, I know firsthand the many challenges nurses face and how critical their care is to patients,” said Sen. Merkley. “Safe staffing that enhances patient care, reduces medical errors and bolsters nurse retention all at the same time would be a tremendous improvement to health care delivery.”

The bill would require hospitals to establish committees that would create unit-by-unit nurse staffing plans based on multiple factors, such as the number of patients on the unit, severity of the patients’ conditions, experience and skill level of the RNs, availability of support staff, and technological resources.

“As a nurse, and someone who’s been involved in both patient care and policy discussions about staffing for decades, I’m so pleased to see Sen. Merkley standing up for patients in hospitals across the country,” said Susan King, MS, RN, CEN, FAAN, executive director of the Oregon Nurses Association, a constituent member of ANA. “We know that nurse staffing levels impact patient outcomes and nurse retention, and—as the people providing care to patients—nurses bring an intimate understanding of patient needs to the discussion about how to most appropriately staff a facility. This is critical legislation for every patient in a hospital and for the nurses who care for them.”

The safe staffing bill also would require hospitals that participate in Medicare to publicly report nurse staffing plans for each unit. It would place limits on the practice of “floating” nurses by ensuring that RNs are not forced to work on units if they lack the education and experience in that specialty. It also would hold hospitals accountable for safe nurse staffing by requiring the development of procedures for receiving and investigating complaints; allowing imposition of civil monetary penalties for knowing violations; and providing whistle-blower protections for those who file a complaint about staffing.

Additionally, ANA has advocated for optimal nurse staffing through the development and updating of ANA’s Principles for Nurse Staffing, and development of a national nursing quality database program that correlates staffing to patient outcomes.

To date, seven states have passed nurse safe staffing legislation that closely resembles ANA’s recommended approach to ensure safe staffing, utilizing a hospital-wide staffing committee in which direct care nurses have a voice in creating the appropriate staffing levels. Those states are Connecticut, Illinois, Nevada, Ohio, Oregon, Texas, and Washington.

For more information on ANA’s safe staffing legislative efforts, please visit http://www.RNAction.org.

ANA is the only full-service professional organization representing the interests of the nation’s 3.1 million registered nurses through its constituent and state nurses associations and its organizational affiliates. ANA advances the nursing profession by fostering high standards of nursing practice, promoting the rights of nurses in the workplace, projecting a positive and realistic view of nursing, and by lobbying the Congress and regulatory agencies on health care issues affecting nurses and the public. Please visit www.nursingworld.org for more information.
Our Nurses Are Passionate About Compassionate Care

When you're a nurse at Avera, you join a team of caring people who love their work just as much as you do.

What's so great about our nurses?
They're good communicators with positive attitudes.
They're engaged with their coworkers and responsive to their patients.
Not to mention they lead the industry in clinical excellence at more than 300 locations in a five-star area.

A woman with recurrent kidney infections was admitted to a hospital in Pennsylvania. Her nurse inserted a PICC line in the patient's right arm for antibiotic therapy. The patient subsequently complained of pain and numbness in her right arm, and the PICC line was removed 24 hours later.

The woman filed a lawsuit, claiming that the placement of the PICC line damaged her right medial nerve. The damage caused paralysis of her right thumb and index finger, which had to be corrected with surgery. After the surgery, the patient continued to experience pain and numbness in her right hand and partial loss of use of her right arm.

A jury awarded the plaintiff $927,000 in damages.

Ready to love what you do? Learn more about our exciting career opportunities at AveraJobs.org