

The South Carolina Nurse



CIRCULATION 63,000 TO ALL REGISTERED NURSES, LPNs, AND STUDENT NURSES IN SOUTH CAROLINA.
A Constituent Member of the American Nurses Association and The Center For American Nurses.
The Voice of South Carolina Nursing for over 100 years!



Volume XIX Number 3

Provided to South Carolina's Nursing Community by SCNA. Are you a member?

July, August, September 2012

President's Column

Vicki Green, MSN, APRN, BC



Vicki C. Green

Happy SC Summer! *Change was the topic* of the last President's column I penned. Little did I know after writing that column, how such vast change would be affecting my *whole* life—and so soon! At work, our new Director for our Agency and new Regional Health Director are bringing great change. At home, our first grandson—by our son and our APRN daughter-in-law— is bringing changes. At church, our new, young pastor is shaking up things. Professionally, mammoth changes are being proposed by ANA. SCNA will also be changing to accommodate ANA's reorganization. Everything in my life is in transition with change. (I am becoming more careful about subject matter for this column as it seems to magnify in my future).

On to this issue's subject matter. In the latest Journal of the South Carolina Medical Association (Volume 108, No. 2; April 2012, pg 26), the outgoing President (an anesthesiologist) writes, "I was challenged early on in my presidency by the president of the South Carolina Nurses Association. She took exception to my statement in my inaugural speech as well as in an interview with the local newspaper that dealt with scope of practice issues. As you know, I am a leading proponent of proper education and training of health care workers. You also know that many would have their credentials legislated rather than spend time in training. This is not a turf battle, but one we as physicians must be ready to fight for the safety of our patients."

"There will be legislation introduced in the coming session that will deal with those scopes of practice issues. We all must be prepared to talk to our legislators to educate them on the safest way to take care of patients. All of us have to be involved, not just your SCMA Board of Trustees. If you have not given to MEDPAC, I would encourage you to write that check. Remember, physicians do not give to their PAC's nearly what trial lawyers give to theirs. It's true—money talks." (The president-elect of SCMA is also an anesthesiologist).

The references to *health* care and health care workers rather than *medical* care is very positive. By using the term "Health care workers," the SCMA President acknowledges the contributions of the multiple disciplines who collaborate to provide holistic care. Giving patients a choice of their health care providers removes a barrier for access to care.

Nurses are also fighting for patient safety. As stated on the ANA Website:

"For over 100 years, ANA has worked to improve patient safety by promoting quality in nursing care and nurses' work lives. The National Center for Nursing Quality® (NCNQ®), established in 1998, advocates for nursing quality through quality measurement, research, and collaborative learning. The Center tackles issues such as the relationship between nurse staffing and outcomes of patient care. The Center's innovative initiatives include the National Database for Nursing Quality Indicators® (NDNQI®) and the Nursing Quality Network™"

Both the SCMA President and I are proponents of proper education and training for *all* health care workers. However, confusion arises with his statement that "many would have their credentials *legislated* rather than spend time in training." This surely does not apply to APRN's. APRN's spend years in completing courses of study/curricula to become licensed, certified and to obtain prescriptive privileges. Continuing education is required to maintain certification, prescriptive privileges and licensure. Yet, with the SCMA President statement, "There will be legislation introduced in the coming session that will deal with those scopes of practice issues," he seems to be referring to nursing in SC.

Legislation is being contemplated to allow APRN's to function at the fullest scope of *nursing* practice—as recommended by the IOM's Future of Nursing report—not *medical practice*. APRN's will still compete Masters Degrees and sit for certification exams. Many more APRN's will obtain doctoral degrees. Current required credentials for practice will not change with proposed legislation.

Many citizens of SC are in need of health care and health-care providers. With the Affordable Care Act, more will have access to care—more than physicians alone will ever be able to provide. Nursing desires to collaborate with physicians to meet these health-care demands. The IOM

supports nurses functioning to the fullest scope of their practices in order to assist physicians in meeting these demands. This collaboration will involve changes our current South Carolina laws.

The Laws Governing Nursing in SC currently require physician supervision for APRN's. Many rural counties in SC have limited health care services. However, the restrictions in current legislation prevent an APRN from practicing in a rural county if no MD is within 45 miles or if the MD has already met his limit of 3 APRN's. APRN employers are finding it more difficult to meet the mandated 45-mile radius or limit of 3 full-time APRN's per physician. These additional restrictions have proven to be barriers for *access to care*.

Nurses must be prepared to fight for our patients' ACCESS TO CARE. Access is imperative for the future health and economy of South Carolina. Improved access to care depends on nursing's success in educating our legislators and partners on issues surrounding the removal of barriers to the full scope of nursing practice.

SCNA needs your help with educating our collaborative physician, business and community partners. This education must include the restrictions of current laws and how removing these restrictions will improve access to care—without jeopardizing patient safety. Please contact SCNA for more information and help us achieve a productive summer!

SAVE THE DATE

SCNA Annual Membership Meeting and Annual SCNA Chapter Meetings
Saturday, September 22

See pages 8-10 for more information

current resident or

Presort Standard
US Postage
PAID
Permit #14
Princeton, MN
55371

Index

CEO Report	2
<i>American Nurses Association:</i>	
American Nurses Foundation Names Six New	
Board Members	2
ANA Welcomes Nurses Organization in	
Minnesota as its Newest Affiliate	2
South Carolina Nurses Association	3
<i>News You Can Use:</i>	
How Can We Help YOU Deal with Disruptive	
Behavior in Your Workplace	4

<i>Members:</i>	
New and Returning SCNA Members	5
2012 SCNA Calendar	5
Members in the News	5
<i>South Carolina Nurses Foundation:</i>	
Palmetto Gold Nurse Recognition	6
2012 SCNA Annual Membership Meeting	8-10
<i>Chapters:</i>	
Women and Children's Chapter	11
AWHONN and the Women and Children's Health	
Chapter of SCNA Present Joint Workshop	12

CEO Report

**Judith Curfman Thompson, IOM
SCNA CEO and Lobbyist**

“We are told we must choose—the old or the new. In fact, we must choose both. What is life if not a series of negotiations between the old and the new?”~Susan Sontag, culture critic.



**Judith Curfman
Thompson**

I have a day by day calendar of interesting quotations from women, Wild Words from Wild Women, is what it is called. I love it. I never know from day to day what the Wild Words will be or how they may or not fit into where I am in my

life. The quotation above is particularly of interest to me, since the months from November until the writing of this column have been spent doing what I love to do, working for SCNA, and spending hours and hours of time working with others on plans for what the future of the American Nurses Association and the South Carolina Nurses Association and all other state associations might look like for the future.

By the time that you read this, those persons who have had the honor and responsibility to be Delegates to the American Nurses Association House of Delegates for 2012 will have decided the path for the future for ANA and the state associations. You will probably know the outcome of this meeting even before you receive this issue of the *SCNURSE*.

So, until next time, let us all think about the wisdom of what Susan Sontag shared with us.... ONWARD!

American Nurses Association

American Nurses Foundation Names Six New Board Members

Dana Alexander, MSN, MBA, FHIMSS, RN, FAAN
Dawn Bazarko, DNP, MPN, RN
Kathleen Gallo, PhD, MBA, RN
Jennifer H. Mieres, MD, FACC, FASNC, FAHA
Tim Porter-O’Grady, Dm, EdD, ScD(h), FAAN
Carole Raphael

ANA Welcomes Nurses Organization in Minnesota as its Newest Affiliate

SILVER SPRING, MD—The Minnesota Organization of Registered Nurses (MNORN) has become the newest affiliate of the American Nurses Association (ANA) with the shared aim of supporting registered nurses in their work, advocacy, and professional development, ANA announced today.

MNORN is the 52nd state or “constituent” nurses association to join with ANA, which represents the interests of the nation’s 3.1 million registered nurses through its network of affiliates and specialty nursing organizations.

“Together we will be able to provide an even greater voice for the nursing profession at both the state and national levels,” said ANA President Karen A. Daley, PhD, MPH, RN, FAAN. “Through our combined knowledge, resources, and services, we can help nurses as they strive to make a difference in the lives of their patients, communities, and the nation, as well as in their own careers and professional practice.”

RECOVERING Professional Program

440 Knox Abbott Drive • Cayce, SC 29033
telephone: (803) 896-5700 • fax: (803) 896-5710
24-hour toll-free emergency line:
1-877-349-2094



Gallup Great Workplace Award - 4 straight years!



Self Regional Healthcare is seeking qualified and successful candidates to fill a number of positions in the direct patient care, clinical, and management setting.

Located in Greenwood, South Carolina, we are a respected and financially sound 420 bed hospital with 2400 staff serving the residents of the Upstate region. In just the last two years we have opened a brand new in-patient rehabilitation department, grown our physician practices in the surrounding counties and added an intra-operative neurosurgical service so specialized that we are only one of four hospitals in the country to provide this type of advanced care. This year we opened our brand new 40,000 sq ft cancer center.

Come join the excitement! Review our web site for up to date opportunities. We provide outstanding benefits and competitive compensation.



To learn more about Self Regional Healthcare or to apply on line, please visit our web site at www.selfregional.org.



PROGRAMS for REGISTERED NURSES

We offer both RN-to-BSN and RN-to-MSN options. Programs are available online or in the classroom. A dedicated advisor will help you to develop your individualized plan. For more information about these programs please visit www.queens.edu/nursing or email PSONAAdmissions@queens.edu or call 704.337.2275.

Financial aid available based on both merit and need.

The Presbyterian School of Nursing at Queens provides options for seamless progression in nursing education. Upholding a tradition of more than 100 years, the School of Nursing is committed to excellence in preparing nurses of all levels to meet the healthcare needs of the people of the region and beyond.

Queens is just 15 miles from the SC line or 20 miles north of Rock Hill SC.



2011-2012 Board of Directors

- President: Vicki Green
- Vice President: Connie Varn
- Secretary: Jessica Simpkins
- Treasurer: Alice Wyatt
- Commission Chair—
Public Policy/Legislation: Sheryl Montgomery
- Commission Chair—Professional
Advocacy and Development: Lawrence Eberlin
- Commission Chair—SCNA Chapters: Ellen Duncan
- Director, Seat 1: Peggy Dulaney
- Director, Seat 2: Eileene Shake
- Director, Seat 3: Ellen Riddle
- Director, Seat 4: Heather Hyatt Dolan
- APRN Chapter Chair
(BOD Ex-Officio): Ellen Riddle
- Community/Public Health Chair
(BOD Ex-Officio): Susan Clark
- Edisto Chapter Chair
(BOD Ex-Officio): Diane Bolin
- Nurse Educator Chapter Chair
(BOD Ex-Officio): Sharon Beasley
- Piedmont District Chapter Chair
(BOD Ex-Officio): Melissa Black
- Psychiatric-Mental Health Chapter Chair
(BOD Ex-Officio): David Hodson
- Women and Children’s Health Chapter
Chair (BOD Ex-Officio): Lois Hasan
- SNA-SC Representative (Ex-Officio): Blake Frazier
- SCNF President (Ex-Officio) Ann Lee
- CEO and Lobbyist Judith Curfman Thompson
- Assistant to the CEO: Rosie Robinson

The South Carolina Nurse (ISSN 1046-7394) is published quarterly every January, April, July and October by the South Carolina Nurses Association, a constituent member of the American Nurses Association, 1821 Gadsden St., Columbia, SC 29201, (803) 252-4781, website: www.scnurses.org. Subscription fees: Members \$2 per year included in dues as a membership benefit, Institutional subscriptions, \$40 per year. Single copies \$10.

Readers: Send address changes to *South Carolina Nurses Association*, 1821 Gadsden St., Columbia, SC 29201.

For advertising rates and information, please contact Arthur L. Davis Publishing Agency, Inc., 517 Washington Street, PO Box 216, Cedar Falls, Iowa 50613, (800) 626-4081, sales@aldpub.com. SCNA 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 Carolina 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. SCNA 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 SCNA or those of the national or local associations.

South Carolina Nurse Copy Submission Guidelines:

All SCNA members are encouraged to submit material for publication that is of interest to nurses. The *South Carolina Nurse* also welcomes unsolicited manuscripts written by members. Article submission is preferred in MS Word format and may be up to 1000 words. When sending pictures, please be certain to label them clearly since the editors have no way of knowing who persons in the photos might be. Preferred submission is by email to Rosie@scnurses.org. Please do not embed photos in Word files, but use jpg files. All articles submitted are subject to editing by the *SC Nurse* editorial staff.

SC Nurse Editorial Staff:
Judith Curfman Thompson, Executive Editor
Rosie Robinson, Assistant Editor



www.scnurses.org

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



South Carolina Nurses Association

Report from the SCNA Board of Directors Meeting May 18, 2012

Present:

Vicki Green, President; Connie Varn, Vice-President; Alice Wyatt, Treasurer; Sheryl Montgomery, Commission Chair; Lawrence Eberlin, Commission Chair; Ellen Duncan, Commission Chair; Peggy Dulaney, Director 1; Eileene Shake, Director 2; Ellen Riddle, Director 3
Connie Varn served as Recording Secretary

Ex-officio members present: Lois Hasan, Chapter Chair; Ellen Riddle, Chapter Chair; Susan Clark, Chapter Chair; Debbie Lotz, Chapter Chair proxy.

Absent:

Jessica Simpkins, Secretary (with notice); Heather Hyatt Dolan, Director 4

Staff present: Judith Curfman Thompson, CEO and Rosie Robinson, Assistant to the CEO

Guests present: Sharon Myer and Rene Mc Elveen students

Minutes were approved as circulated

Finance Reports for January (revised), February, March and April were reviewed and received as information. A motion was made indicating that the IRS Form 990 and the IRS Form 990 Group reports had been received and reviewed by members of the Board. The motion passed.

This is in accord with SCNA policy that before the IRS 990 Forms are mailed they must be seen and reviewed by the SCNA Board of Directors.

The President's Report was presented

The CEO's report was presented

Both of these reports were not only a review of the activities of the two people, but, also as full an explanation of the current ANA materials in preparation for the ANA House of Delegates that were able to be presented. This item was filled with lively discussion about the future issues being addressed.

All Commission Chairs presented reports pertinent to the work of each Commission's components. A new policy was presented and passed by the Board from the Commission on Professional Advocacy and Development. This policy makes very clear the privacy of the Peer Assistance Program In Nursing (PAPIN) so that all participants will be comfortable in participating.

Nominations Committee report was received to date with information about those who will be running on the 2012 ballot.

Bylaws and Reference Reports in preparation for the SCNA Annual Meeting in September were discussed.

Want to get involved in SCNA?



Want to become a member of SCNA?



Or visit us online at

www.scnurses.org



Discover
a 60-mile stretch of
beautiful opportunities...
including our newly expanded
Emergency, OR and
Critical Care Departments.

Sparkling beaches, world-class golf and more than 200 days of Carolina sunshine a year will attract you. So will the latest technology and resources, plus a \$54 million, 50-bed Critical Care Unit and new Trauma Center. You'll have more opportunities to be your best at Grand Strand Regional Medical Center. 269 beds, over 1,000 staff members and over 260 physicians.

The opportunity for you with Grand Strand is greater than ever.

Add your talents to our dedicated team and discover the rewards of "your" care.

We have various employment opportunities for:

REGISTERED NURSES

\$3,000 relocation assistance may be available for the qualified full-time Nursing candidate.

Interested professionals should visit our website at:

www.grandstrandmed.com

Grand Strand
Regional Medical Center

Life is a gift. Live it well.®

809 82nd Parkway, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572

EOE



Why make Providence Hospitals your next step?

Nationally recognized. The Society of Thoracic Surgeons consistently rates our Providence Heart & Vascular Institute in the top 15 percent of open-heart programs in the nation. We are a Blue Cross of South Carolina Center of Distinction for cardiovascular and orthopaedic services. We are an accredited Chest Pain Center.

When you're a leader you want the best. Providence Hospitals, the Midlands' leader in cardiovascular and orthopaedic inpatient care, is accepting applications for experienced nurses in these positions/units: senior charge, critical care, heart, medical-surgical, OR and emergency.

Personally rewarding. At Providence, nursing is more than a career. It's a calling. As the Midlands' only faith-based hospital, our nurses and clinicians collaborate to treat the whole person: body, mind and spirit.

Future-focused. Our nurses enjoy competitive compensation and benefits, support in professional growth and personal development, and rewards for initiative and innovation. Our workplace values compassion, collaboration, respect and courage. For you and for our patients.

Join a leader.

To learn more or to apply online, visit www.providencehospitals.com/careers or call (803) 256-5410.

PROVIDENCE HOSPITALS
A Ministry of the Sisters of Charity Health System

News You Can Use

How Can We Help YOU Deal with Disruptive Behavior in Your Workplace?

by Peggy Dulaney, Chair of Coalition on Disruptive Behavior

The Coalition on Disruptive Behavior is a group of nurse leaders representing education and practice from all over SC that was formed to help nurses in SC eliminate disruptive behavior in all its forms and create a positive workplace environment. We see this as an issue of major importance for the safety of both nurses and patients in all practice settings.

Since 2009, healthcare agencies that are accredited by The Joint Commission have been required to have policies and procedures in place to address all aspects of disruptive behavior. We know that many employers have worked diligently to address the problem. Yet, we still hear hair-raising stories from individual nurses who are being traumatized at work and whose practice is being compromised by their peers and sometimes by their leaders.

This spring, we had planned a statewide conference featuring one of the leading researchers and teachers on the topic of lateral violence among nurses, but it had to be cancelled due to very low registration. In seeking to understand this situation after a very successful conference in 2011, we asked for feedback. We heard that many facilities are under great financial constraints and are simply not funding off-site education for staff, that individual nurses are feeling the effects of the poor economy and are unable to fund such education out of pocket, and that some facilities are doing such an intensive effort to eradicate disruptive behavior that folks did not feel the need for more information.

We would like to hear from YOU. Recognizing that the problem still exists, we want to know what would be helpful to you, the nurses who read this publication. The Coalition has a large number of resources on the SCNA website, under "resources," but we would like to hear your thoughts on what the Coalition can do to assist you in your workplace going forward. Please send your thoughts to me, via email at pdulaney@bellsouth.net. We are eager to hear from you and to work with you to create a positive and safe work environment for all nurses in SC.

South Carolina Faith Community Nurses Association Links Healthcare Reform and the Role of Congregations

by Judith Alexander, Katora Campbell, and Helen Collins

Faith community nursing is a practice specialty recognized by the American Nurses Association, in collaboration with the Health Ministry Association. As documented in our Scope and Standards of Practice, Faith Community Nursing (FCN) is the specialized practice of professional nursing that focuses on the intentional care of the spirit as part of the process of promoting holistic health care and preventing or minimizing illness in the faith community (ANA, 2012).

The state-level organization, South Carolina Faith Community Nurses Association (SCFCNA), works as a network and hub of support in the state for nurses in this specialized practice of professional nursing. SCFCNA's purpose is to strengthen and engage nurses and health promoters interested in health ministry and faith community nursing (Parish Nursing) through basic and advanced education to promote physical, mental, and spiritual health in faith communities. A key resource provided by SCFCNA is an annual conference focused on both building health ministries in our state as well as provided continuing education opportunities to Faith

Community Nurses. This year the annual education conference titled, "Empowering Congregations to Respond to the Changing Health Care Environment," will examine connections between faith community role in the midst of health care reform and other current issues impacting individual and congregational health. The conference will be held on Saturday, August 11, 2012 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at Northeast Presbyterian Church on Polo Road in Columbia, SC. The program will include a keynote speaker, concurrent breakout sessions in the morning and afternoon, and a variety of exhibitors. The registration fee is \$25.00, which includes lunch and refreshment breaks. As in previous years, application for continuing education credit will be submitted. For conference registration information or membership in SCFCNA, please contact Katora Campbell at 803-296-3068 or Katora.Campbell@PalmettoHealth.org.

Reference

American Nurses Association and Health Ministries Association. (2012), *Faith Community Nursing. Scope and Standards of Practice Scope and Standards of Practice 2nd ed.* Silver Spring, MD: American Nurses Association.

SCNA Organizational Affiliates

SCNA is pleased to announce that the addition of another Organizational Affiliate to SCNA. This group is the South Carolina Faith Community Nurses Association. They join the South Carolina Chapter of the Certified Nurse Midwives and the South Carolina School Nurses. Thank you all for your support!

PUSHING BEYOND

ordinary jobs to extraordinary careers

Be part of a great healthcare employer, dedicated to pushing beyond ordinary jobs...to extraordinary careers. DeKalb Medical is proud to be an environment teeming with opportunities for you to learn, grow and advance in your field. Join us at DeKalb Medical today.

<p>MED/SURG · Staff RN—FT Days · Staff RN—FT Nights</p> <p>NURSING LEADERSHIP MED/SURG · CNS/Clinical Nurse Specialist—Oncology · Clinical Coordinator/Assistant Clinical Manager · Exec. Dir. of Emergency · CNS/Nurse Educator—Critical Care · CNS/Nurse Educator—Emergency</p>	<p>PACU · Staff RNs—PT & PRN</p> <p>ICU · Staff RNs—Days & Nights · Clinical Coordinator—Nights</p> <p>TELEMETRY · Staff RNs—FT Nights</p> <p>HEART & VASCULAR · Staff RNs—FT & PRN · Interventional Radiology · PCI & Cath Lab · Nuclear Medicine</p>	<p>OPERATING ROOM · Staff RNs/Circulators—Days</p> <p>CANCER CENTER · RN, Nurse Navigator (Gyn)—FT</p> <p>EMERGENCY ROOM · Staff RNs—FT & PRN · Days & Nights</p> <p>LABOR AND DELIVERY · Staff RNs—FT Nights</p> <p>CASE MANAGEMENT · Staff RNs—PRN</p>
---	--	---

To see a complete listing of our openings, please visit us at www.dekalbmedical.org/careers. Please submit your resume via our on-line application system. EOE

The Atlanta Journal-Constitution

Altogether Magazine BEST PLACES TO WORK

50 Years DeKalb Medical Pushing Beyond since 1967

Check out DeKalb Medical on Facebook and Twitter

DeKalb Medical
Pushing Beyond

Simplify your nursing research...

with access to over 10 years of nursing publications at your fingertips.

nursingALD.com

Simply click on the Newsletter tab on the far right and enter your search term.

Members

New and Returning SCNA Members As of February 28–May 25, 2012

Effie Amerson	Mt Pleasant, SC	Maritza Gimenez	Myrtle Beach, SC	Esther Okorie	Columbia, SC
Patricia Archibald	Gaffney, SC	Shirley Gingrich	Fort Mill, SC	Elizabeth Parker	Greer, SC
Charles Ayers	Elgin, SC	Gina Goddard	Cheraw, SC	Rhonda Parker	Charleston, SC
Kimi Barrett Stanley	Greenville, SC	Kathryn Gordon	Goose Creek, SC	Paula Pate	Greenville, SC
Crystal Beard	Olanta, SC	Tara Gunnells	Honea Path, SC	Robert Pigge	Cheraw, SC
Pamela Biasioli	Louisville, KY	Marcia Hansen-McCauley	Myrtle Beach, SC	Heather Prine	Summerville, SC
Donald Bodiker	Beaufort, SC	Tracy Hardy	Summerville, SC	Anna Riestler	Anderson, SC
Nenette Borja	Goose Creek, SC	Carmen Harvey	Barnwell, SC	Cathie Saucier	Greenville, SC
Sandra Brehmer	Moncks Corner, SC	Dorothy Heard	Greenville, SC	Bettye Scudder	Lexington, SC
Rhonda Bridget	Blacksburg, SC	Margaret Heim	Aiken, SC	Loretta Shaffer	West Columbia, SC
Lester Brigman	Myrtle Beach, SC	Carrie Henderson	Seneca, SC	Gertrude Shiver	Gadsden, SC
Kristal Bryant	Fort Campbell, KY	Paul Hess	Lancaster, SC	Kathleen Singh	Simpsonville, SC
Deborah Bucci	Greenville, SC	Joyce Hicklin	Orangeburg, SC	Patricia Singleton	Cheraw, SC
Anna Burdette	Anderson, SC	Vanyen Ho	Greer, SC	Sonya Smith	Mullins, SC
Courtney Burton	Honea Path, SC	Julia Hobson	Summerville, SC	Roy Smith	Mount Pleasant, SC
Deborah Camak	Hodges, SC	Ann Hollerbach	Mt Pleasant, SC	Kari Snyder	Cheraw, SC
Cheryl Carlson	Daniel Island, SC	Carla Holmes	Anderson, SC	Sharon Soles	Columbia, SC
Donna Carrillo	Myrtle Beach, SC	Selina Hunt-Mckinney	Chapel Hill, NC	Angela Stiles	Murrells Inlet, SC
Barbara Chesley	Columbia, SC	Shawna Jones	Simpsonville, SC	Joan Stroman	West Columbia, SC
Tonjia Christensen	Columbia, SC	Jamie Kilcoyne	Simpsonville, SC	Gail Stuart	Folly Beach, SC
Traiena Cohen	Spartanburg, SC	Melissa Knight	Columbia, SC	Jamie Stufflebeam	Summerville, SC
Sonya Cothran-Pate	Greenville, SC	Renee L'Ecuyer	Columbia, SC	Sharon Swaringer-Brockington	Florence, SC
Melody Craven	Ruffin, SC	Aimee Lehman	Greer, SC	Venice Coleen Tamban	Beaufort, SC
Jamie Cunningham	Nichols, SC	Shelley Lemerande	North Charleston, SC	Rachal Thorne	Charleston SC
Alise Davis-Kyles	Garnett, SC	Helen Ling	Nichols, SC	Harriett Thornton	Columbia, SC
Bridget Denzik	Charleston, SC	Ruby Locklear	Eutawville, SC	Betty Tisdale	Walterboro, SC
Tara Donohue	Williamston, SC	Barbara Logan	Seneca, SC	Willie Mae Trapp	Columbia, SC
Susan Drinkwater	Columbia, SC	Colleen Lyons	Manning, SC	Bonnie Treado	Mount Pleasant, SC
Lynn Duke	Andrews, SC	April Maciver	Hanahan, SC	Nancy Truluck	Effingham, SC
Jeannie Dunn	Lexington, SC	Candyce Mcleod	Surfside Beach, SC	Barbara Twining	Greer, SC
Susan Eledge	West Columbia, SC	Candi Mcleod	Sumter, SC	Jennifer Vaughn	Simpsonville, SC
Sheena Ellis-Prailleau	Irmo, SC	Laura Mitchell	Florence, SC	Roxann Weldon	Greenville, SC
Tammy Finney	Columbia, SC	Kristen Montgomery	Rock Hill SC	Susan Wester	Beaufort, SC
Laura Floyd	Woodruff, SC	Lori Moseley	Lancaster, SC	Kari White	Charleston, SC
Amanda Forbus	Mount Pleasant, SC	Niccole Mount	Lugoff, SC	Susan Williams	Hilton Head, SC
Edna Frazier	Rock Hill, SC	Vani Murali	Mullins, SC	Evelyn Casey Williams	Greenville, SC
Robin Gadd	Greenville, SC	Darlene Nesbitt	Georgetown, SC	Amy Wilson	Greenville, SC
Angela Garcia	Moncks Corner, SC	Tonya Nwankwo	Liberty, SC	Florence Woods	Summerville, SC
Christy Garrett	Marietta, SC	Ronda Oconnell	St. Helena Island, SC	Nancy Zalas	Simpsonville, SC

2012 SCNA Calendar

August 17, 2012	12:00pm-1:00pm CHAPTER CHAIRS MEETING
August 17, 2012	1:00pm-4:00pm SCNA BOARD MEETING
August 18, 2012	APRN Chapter Meeting
August 20, 2012	October-December 2012 Issue Content Due
August 24, 2012	SCNA Election Opens
August 29, 2012	CE APPROVER COMMITTEE SUBMISSION DEADLINE DATE for programs October 12th or later
September 14, 2012	SCNA Election Closes
September 22, 2012	Annual Membership Meeting of SCNA
September 22, 2012	Annual Meeting of the SCNA Board
September 22, 2012	ANNUAL MEETINGS OF ALL SCNA CHAPTERS
November 14, 2012	CE APPROVER COMMITTEE SUBMISSION DEADLINE DATE for programs January 11th or later
November 19, 2012	January-March 2012 Issue: Content Due

For a full calendar see www.scnurses.org

Members in the News

SCNA congratulate members **Robin Bissinger** of MUSC, **Tara Hulsey** of Charleston Southern, and **Charlene Pope** of MUSC and the **Ralph H. Johnson VA Medical Center** on their selection to be inducted as Fellows into the 2012 class of the American Academy of Nursing. The AAN is a part of the ANA and is composed of more than 1,800 nurses leaders. **CONGRATULATIONS!**



I'm not just a nurse.
I'm inventing new models
of Veteran's health care. *Chris, VA Nurse*



Apply Today:
VAcareers.va.gov/NURSE

Follow VA Careers

South Carolina Nurses Foundation

The mission of the South Carolina Nurses Foundation is to promote high standards of healthcare by facilitating the advancement of nursing through awards, grants and scholarships. We sponsor two annual fundraisers:

- **The Palmetto Gold Nurse Recognition and Scholarship Program** (Spring)
- **The Nurses Care Walk** (Fall)

On Saturday April 21st Palmetto Gold celebrated its 11th year of recognition of the outstanding achievements of South Carolina Nurses. Congratulations to all the Palmetto Gold and Scholarship Recipients!



Providence Hospital



SC DHEC



**SCNF Board Members:
Ann Lee, Virginia Ard, and Cheryl Bullard**



Providence Hospital



Vicki C. Green, Director of Public Health Nursing, Clinical and Home Health Services SC DHEC Region 5, Denise Cone, award recipient and Angie Olawsky, the State Director for Public Health Nursing at DHEC



VA Dorn Hospital group



Vicki Green, Region 5 award winner, Denise Cone and her husband Teddy



Seen at Palmetto Gold!

Palmetto Gold Gala 2012



William Jennings Bryan Dorn VA Medical Center, Ms. Lisa Pruett, Ms. Claudia Blyth, Ms. Gini Moore, Ms. Cynthia Rivers, and Mr. Jack Holdford

Save the Date:
4th Annual Nurses Care Walk
 Saturday
November 3, 2012
 In Columbia and Charleston

If you can't participate in the walk please consider a donation in honor of a past, present, or future SC nurse.

"EVERY single DOLLAR YOU DONATE HELPS SOMEONE LEARN TO SAVE A LIFE"



**PATIENT CARE IS
YOUR PRIORITY.
Protecting Your Future Is Ours.**

You're a nurse because you care. You always think of others first. Now it's time to think about yourself. A malpractice claim could possibly ruin your career and your financial future. Set up your own malpractice safety net.

- You need malpractice insurance because . . .
 - you have recently started, or may soon start a new job.
 - you are giving care outside of your primary work setting.
 - it provides access to attorney representation with your best interests in mind.

- claims will not be settled without your permission.
- ANA recommends personal malpractice coverage for every practicing nurse.
- As an ANA member, you may qualify for one of four ways to save 10% on your premium.

This is your calling. Every day you help others because you care. You're making a difference. Personal malpractice insurance helps protect your financial future so you can go on making a difference

800.503.9230

for more information • proliability.com



Administered by Marsh U.S. Consumer, a service of Seabury & Smith, Inc. Underwritten by Liberty Insurance Underwriters, Inc., a member company of Liberty Mutual Group, 55 Water Street, New York, New York 10041. May not be available in all states. Pending underwriter approval. AR Ins. Lic. # 245544, CA Ins. Lic. # 0633005 d/b/a in CA Seabury & Smith Insurance Program Management

2012 SCNA Annual Membership Meeting,

SCNA Annual Membership Meeting and Annual SCNA Chapter Meetings

Saturday, September 22, 2012 (8:30 AM–12:00 PM)

\$10.00 Registration Fee

Registration will be on-line and will open closer to the event. Check out www.scnurses.org for more information.

EdVenture Children’s Museum
Canal Room
211 Gervais Street
Columbia, SC 29201

All members of SCNA are welcome to attend this governance meeting and all members of SCNA may vote at this meeting.

Tentative Schedule

8:30 AM to 10:00 AM Registration
9:00 AM to 10:15 AM Chapter Meetings
10:15 AM-10:30 AM Break and light refreshments
10:30 AM-11:50 AM SCNA Annual Meeting
11:50 AM to 12:00 PM Annual Meeting of the SCNA Board of Directors

New SCNA Election Eligibility Information

This information is taken from the new Nomination Elections Policy as reviewed in November 2011 and revised in February 2012.

In order to vote in the 2012 SCNA Election you must be a current member as of June 1, 2012 and meet the membership requirements for licensure found in the current SCNA and ANA Bylaws. The June 1st date was established based on the election beginning August 14, 2012. The election process of SCNA requires each eligible voter to be a member in good standing at least two (2) full months from the 1st of the month prior to the month the election is held. (Example: Election begins August 14th therefore two (2) full months from the 1st of the month is June 1st).

A list of current members will be published on the SCNA website prior to the first day of balloting. It is up to the individual members to validate the information and to contact the SCNA staff during regular business hours (as stated on the website) prior to voting if the member believes that he/she was omitted from the voting list in error so that a correction can be made. Any SCNA members in good standing may present evidence that there is an error in the list of current members prior to the voting and up to the closing of the election. Failure to notify SCNA of an error in the voting list prior to the closing of the vote is considered a waiver of the member’s right to challenge the voting list or the election. Failure to notify SCNA that the member is not on the voting list prior to the closing of the vote is considered a waiver of the individual’s right to challenge the voting list or the election.

South Carolina Nurses Association Annual Meeting Preparations Resolution Committee Report / Bylaws Committee Report / Nomination Committee Report

Resolutions

The official call for Resolutions was made in January issue of the SC Nurse. Resolutions must have been received by May 1, 2012. To date not one has been received. There is a process for the presentation of Resolutions during the Annual Meeting. This process includes any Resolutions not previously forwarded to SCNA. The full explanation of the process may be found in the Standing Rules in the Annual Book of Reports. The Annual Book of Reports will be posted to the SCNA website under the Preparations for SCNA Annual Meeting tab no later than August 21, 2012.

Proposed Bylaw Changes

Bylaw changes will be posted to the SCNA website under the Preparations for SCNA Annual Meeting tab no later than August 21, 2012.

Report of the SCNA Nomination Committee

This article represents the initial report of the Nomination Committee for the 2012 election. The following offices are open for election. In keeping with the Election Policy printed in the April 2012 Issues of the *SC Nurse* write-ins will be permitted for a member whose name does not appear on ballot by writing in the name

of that member ONLY if the member being written-in is a member in good standing and has consented to serve if elected. The consent to serve must be filed before the election opens. The election will open August 24, 2012 and close September 14, 2012.

Each candidate was invited to submit biographical information, a statement as to why they are running for a particular office, and a picture.

The statements appear as received by the SCNA prior to publication of this issue of the SC Nurse. The SCNA Nominating Committee has called for the member suggestions for the 2012 elections.

In 2012, members will elect:

- SCNA President and 1st ANA Delegate
- SCNA Treasurer
- Commission Chair–SCNA Chapter
- Director Seat 1
- Director Seat 4
- SCNA Nomination Committee
- ANA Delegate

SCNA Chapters will also hold elections for:
Chair
2 Members At Large

2012 Ballot

SCNA TREASURER

Alice Wyatt of West Columbia, SC
Place of Employment: Kulbersh Women’s Center
Current Title: Nurse Practitioner

Statement of Why Running For Office: I have faithfully served SCNA as treasurer for the past two years and would like to continue for another term.



Catherine Mattingly of Greenville, SC
Place of Employment: GHS
Current Title: CCU Staff Nurse

Statement of Why Running For Office: Having served several years on the board of the SCNA APRN chapter and as a past member of the SCNA BOD, I have a deep understanding of the impact of quality leadership. As a delegate to ANA’s HOD, the impact of our SCNA leadership was demonstrated even further. I was proud to be a part of our delegation. I view my service to our SCNA organization as a privilege and an honor. I feel it is my professional duty to encourage the participation of many wonderfully qualified nurses in our communities as we look to the future.



SCNA NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Lois Hasan of Columbia, SC
Place of Employment: Palmetto Health Richland
Current Title: Quality Improvement Coordinator

Statement of Why Running For Office: I am hoping to be involved in the process to identify strong potential leaders for the SCNA.



DIRECTOR SEAT 1

Peggy Dulaney of Easley, SC
Place of Employment: Retired
Current Title: Retired CNS and Consultant

Statement of Why Running For Office: The responsibility of the Director Seat 1 is to help the Association develop and adhere to its Strategic Plan. The next two years will need to be a time of evaluation and change if we are to remain relevant and move forward as a vibrant organization. My experience over the years has involved managing many major change processes and I believe that this as well as my active involvement over many years, in many capacities makes me well suited to serve as Director Seat 1.



Susan Clark of Irmo, SC

Place of Employment: Retired
Current Title: Retired
Statement of Why Running For Office: I am running for this office to support the association by identifying future leadership.



2012 Ballot continued on page 9

September 22, 2012

2012 Ballot

2012 Ballot continued from page 8

ANA DELEGATE

Peggy Dulaney of Easley, SC
Place of Employment: Retired
Current Title: Retired CNS and Consultant
Statement of Why Running For Office: This is a critical time in the life of ANA and SCNA, we need to have knowledgeable and experienced ANA Delegates.



Lawrence Eberlin of Columbia, SC
Place of Employment: SC DJJ
Current Title: Director of Nursing
Statement of Why Running For Office: To support SCNA on the national level.



Ellen Riddle of Lexington, SC
Place of Employment: Midlands OB/GYN
Current Title: APRN
Statement of Why Running For Office: I am very interested in the future of our profession and plan to work for a positive future.



Eileene Shake of Elgin, SC
Place of Employment: USC College of Nursing
Current Title: Director SC Center for Nursing Leadership
Statement of Why Running For Office: To support and serve SCNA.



Connie Varn of Orangeburg, SC
Place of Employment: Orangeburg Calhoun Technical College
Current Title: Senior Level Coordinator Nursing Faculty
Statement of Why Running For Office: Many changes are a foot with the Association. I am vested in continuing involvement in the future of Nursing. I would love to continue to represent you in this endeavor to serve as ANA Delegate. Thank you for your vote of confidence.



CHAPTER NOMINATIONS

ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE CHAPTER CHAIR

Ellen Riddle of Lexington, SC
Place of Employment: Midlands OB/GYN
Current Title: APRN
Statement of Why Running For Office: I have always felt a responsibility for staying involved in my professional organization. Now more than ever, we need all nurses to be involved as we go through our



the rapidly changing health care profession. I like to know what's going on and if I don't like SCNA offers me a voice to challenge what I need to.

COMMUNITY/PUBLIC HEALTH CHAPTER CHAIR

Susan Clark of Irmo, SC
Place of Employment: Retired
Current Title: Retired
Statement of Why Running For Office: The Chapter still has important work to complete and I would like to provide leadership to ensure that we continue to meet the needs of our member and SCNA.



COMMUNITY/PUBLIC HEALTH CHAPTER MEMBER AT LARGE

Angie Olawsky of West Columbia, SC
Place of Employment: SC DHEC
Current Title: State Director of Public Health Nursing
Statement of Why Running For Office: As a long-term public health nurse I am committed to working with the chapter to continue to build a strong foundation for current and future public health nurses.

Gwen Davis of Hartsville, SC
Place of Employment: Self-Employed
Current Title: Independent diabetes consultant
Statement of Why Running For Office: I was fortunate to practice in community health for over 20 years. This nursing specialty is evolving and expanding. I wish to be part of the SC Chapter leadership that continues to expand our membership and uphold the quality of our practice.



Jane Richter of Blythewood, SC
Place of Employment: USC
Current Title: Director, USC Center for Public Health Preparedness
Statement of Why Running For Office: I want to become fully engaged with the CPH Chapter and assist with planning activities that strengthen its mission and grow the membership.



EDISTO CHAPTER CHAIR

Diane Bolin of Montmorenci, SC
Place of Employment: SC DHEC Region 5
Current Title: RN
Statement of Why Running For Office: I would like to continue in the role of Chair so I can continue to support Edisto Chapter and SCNA.



EDISTO CHAPTER MEMBER AT LARGE

Stanley Harris of Orangeburg, SC
Place of Employment: SC State University
Current Title: Assistant
Statement of Why Running For Office: I am currently running for the office of Member-at-Large in order to continue my work as a positive change agent in the nursing profession. My interests lie in



improvement of nursing standards as they relates to novice and experienced nurses.

Pinkey Carter of Bamberg, SC
Place of Employment: SC State-Brooks Health Center
Current Title: Director, Student Health Center
Statement of Why Running For Office: Being a nurse for many years, I feel it is time to participate and serve as an example for those individuals I encounter. Though active involvement it should display the diversity within our profession and encourage future nurses to participate and contribute to our future growth.



NURSE EDUCATOR CHAPTER CHAIR

Brian Conner of Mount Pleasant, SC
Place of Employment: Medical University of South Carolina
Current Title: Assistant Professor
Statement of Why Running For Office: I served as Vice Chair of the Nurse Educator Chapter for 2011-2012 and feel strongly about the need for nurse educators to connect on a professional level through SCNA and our chapter. I know everyone is busy but I am sure we all would benefit from sharing ideas, questions, or concerns related to nursing education. If elected, I vow to facilitate discussion amongst our members.



NURSE EDUCATOR CHAPTER MEMBER AT LARGE

Shannon Smith of Charleston, SC
Place of Employment: MUSC College of Nursing
Current Title: Instructor
Statement of Why Running For Office: I have been a member of the SCNA for a number of years but have decided that it is time to play a more active role. There are so many changes in healthcare that impact nurses and I want our voice to be heard. Member-At-Large is an excellent opportunity to represent the general membership on issues of interest or concern.



PIEDMONT DISTRICT CHAPTER CHAIR

Melissa Black of Greer, SC
Place of Employment: ITT Technical Institute
Current Title: Interim Program Chair
Statement of Why Running For Office: To promote the Association within the community and to help build organizational strength.



2012 Ballot continued on page 10

CEAC Update

For a complete list of Approved Three Year Providers and Approved Individual Activities please visit our Continuing Nursing Education page on www.scnurses.org. You will also find all the information you need to know about how the SCNA CNE process works.

Peer Assistance Program in Nursing (PAPIN).... Here to Help, Here to Heal



Confidential care and support for nurses struggling with alcohol and drug addiction

Warning Signs of Addiction

- Neglecting your responsibilities
- Taking risks
- Experiencing legal or work difficulties
- Having problems in your personal relationships
- Increased tolerance for alcohol/drugs
- Drink or use to avoid withdrawal symptoms
- Loss of control over your use
- Feel powerless to stop using
- Make excuses for behaviors
- Life revolves around your drug/alcohol use, to include using, thinking about how to get it and recovering from use
- Give up activities you used to enjoy
- Continue to use in spite of negative consequences
- Work/school absenteeism has increased
- Engage in secretive or suspicious behavior
- Changes in sleep patterns, appearance, and appetite

Get your life and your career back on track.

**There is help available!
Contact: 803-252-4781**

2012 Ballot

2012 Ballot continued from page 9

PIEDMONT DISTRICT CHAPTER MEMBER AT LARGE

Rebecca Mobley of Spartanburg, SC
Place of Employment: SRMC
Current Title: Staff RN
Statement of Why Running For Office: SCNA Members should be available for all members of their organization to share or discuss any nursing or healthcare issues. Networking with all members make them more knowledgeable and able to communicate their opinion(s).



PSYCHIATRIC-MENTAL HEALTH CHAPTER CHAIR

David Hodson of Blythewood, SC
Place of Employment: USC
Current Title: Assistant Dean, CON
Statement of Why Running For Office: I have an ongoing commitment to the the community of health care providers and the public which we serve. I believe by being a part of this chapter and SCNA is the best way for me to meet his commitment.



WOMEN AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH CHAPTER CHAIR

Lois Hasan of Columbia, SC
Place of Employment: Palmetto Health
Current Title: Quality Improvement Coordinator
Statement of Why Running For Office: I would like to continue to serve in the position of Chair of the Women and Children's Health Chapter of SCNA. The interest in the Chapter is increasing and I want to continue to strengthen our efforts to address issues impacting women, children and their families. I look forward to working with a great group of colleagues in our care, quality, educational and service initiatives.



WOMEN AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH CHAPTER MEMBER AT LARGE

Debra Moynihan of Murrells Inlet, SC
Place of Employment: Carolina OB/GYN
Current Title: Women's Health Nurse Practitioner
Statement of Why Running For Office: I would like to continue to serve our chapter in this capacity to remain an active member of the SCNA.



Nancy Burgess of West Columbia, SC
Place of Employment: Lexington Medical Center
Current Title: med/surg staff nurse
Statement of Why Running For Office: I was asked by the chapter president to fulfill a vacancy and it's about time I take a more active role in my professional organization.

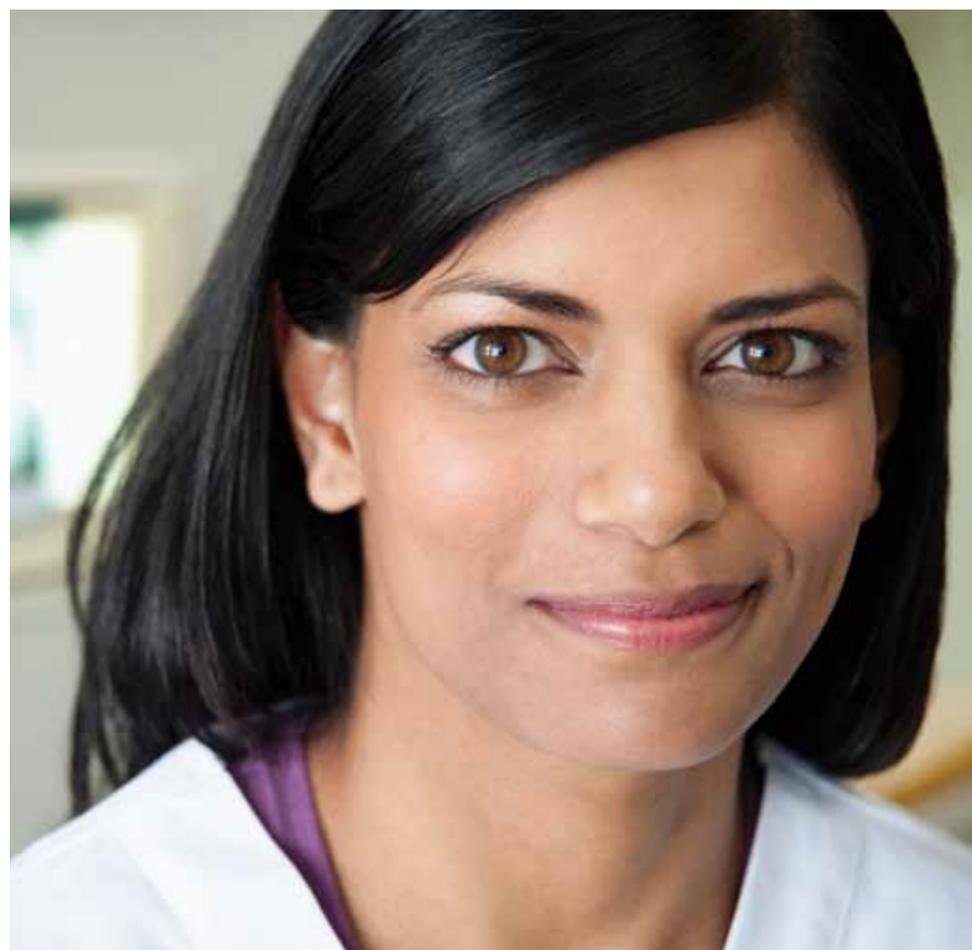
Jennifer Bell of Lexington, SC
Place of Employment: South University-Columbia
Current Title: Nursing Instructor/FNP
Statement of Why Running For Office: I was nominated for this office. I am an instructor at South University. I teach our OB clinical here and assist with the didactic portion at times. I was a L/D nurse for 10 years and have extensive women's health experience. I would like to run for this office to become more active in SCNA. Also, this would be an example to my students of how important it is to remain active in our professional organizations.



SCNA Annual Membership Meeting and Annual SCNA Chapter Meetings

Saturday, September 22, 2012

Check out www.scnurses.org for more information.



PERSONAL BEST. ANCC Board-Certified.



I'm proud and in charge of my nursing career. And I trust ANCC certification to help me maintain and validate the professional skills I need to remain a confident and accomplished nurse for years to come.

Find out how to be the best at www.nursecredentialing.org/Certification

© 2012 American Nurses Credentialing Center. All Rights Reserved. The American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) is a subsidiary of the American Nurses Association (ANA).

Chapters



Women and Children's Chapter



Planning Committee Members



Dr. Ross and presentation of gifts for service project.



Dr. Dellinger



Kelly Walker and Betsy Bradley speakers at this year's event



Workshop attendees

APRN Survey

The SCNA APRN Chapter recently posted an informal survey for all APRNs in South Carolina who wanted to share information about practice and access issues. The survey was completely anonymous for those participating. This allowed complete security to answer without fear of attachment of comments to specific people. No passwords were required to enter the survey. A postal card was sent to all those APRNs who are licensed in SC to practice in the advanced roles (3776) inviting them to participate.

The purpose of the survey was to learn as much as possible about barriers to advanced practice and access to care. The survey was available from April 27, 2012 until May 23, 2012. It was designed to be a quick and simple survey to answer. The survey functioned as an environmental scan. An environmental scan is a time honored system of gathering information in an informal way. The results of such a scan assist in working toward more sophisticated surveying if needed. The survey was not designed to be a scientific instrument. It afforded those who participated with a quick way of communication to those who are working diligently to advance the profession with needed information.

The results of the survey will assist leaders in working on issues that appear to be constant barriers to practice and care as demonstrated by the information shared. Thanks to all APRNs who took time to share with SCNA! We will post the results in a future issue of the *SC Nurse*.

Coalition of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses Meets at SCNA

An outstanding group of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses met together on Saturday, May 19, 2012 during the regular meeting of the SCNA APRN Chapter. The topic of discussion was working together to advance the implementation of the Institute of Medicine (IOM) Report on the Future of Nursing in South Carolina. All of the four specialties found in South Carolina law and regulations under the overall title of Advanced Practice Nurses were represented at this meeting.

Plans were made to continue to work together to promote the full implementation of the IOM Report in South Carolina. SCNA APRN Chapter Chair Ellen Riddle and SCNA Commission on Public Policy and Legislation, Sheryl Montgomery led the meeting. SCNA CEO, Judith Curfman Thompson facilitated the discussion along with Wendy Arndt Holmquist and Candice Spencer of the CIA in Columbia. Plans were made for future meetings to take place.

SCNA Community/ Public Health Chapter

Susan Clark, Chair

The Community/Public Health Chapter has met once during this FY following the meeting held at the SCNA Convention in September 2011. Meetings have been held via e-mail and combinations of on-site and teleconferencing. The Chapter currently has approximately 35 members and the attendance at our meeting on January 26, 2012 was 14 members. The Chapter has submitted nominees for election to upcoming vacancies—Chair and Members at Large. The Chapter plans to meet 3 times during this FY and the next meeting will be on June 28, 2012 at SC DHEC during the Nursing Services meeting.



The Chapter has requested funding to develop a CE offering this fall or next spring. We have discussed the possibility of providing an inservice on recent IOM recommendations and nurse leadership in collaboration with the USC College of Nursing. Our Chapter meetings are informative and productive with great member interaction. All SCNA Community and Public Health Nurses regardless of practice settings are encouraged to sign up for our Chapter and join our Chapter meetings. We provide a deli tray for members to encourage attendance. We have added 3 new members this FY.

Psychiatric Mental Health Chapter

Psychiatric Mental Health Chapter members are encouraged to attend the 19th Annual SCNA APRN Chapter Fall Pharmacology in Advanced Practice Conference October Event in Spartanburg, SC at the Spartanburg Marriott. David Hobson, PMH Chapter Chair will be presenting a general session on Suicide—"LOVES' LOST, THE ONE'S LEFT BEHIND AFTER A DEATH BY SUICIDE." David's presentation will be on Friday the 12th from 3:30-5:00.

Be sure to check out the event's full schedule to see what other breakout session and general session will be of interest to you. Hope to see all of you in Spartanburg this October.

The PMH Chapter hosted a CNE event at SCNA on June 23rd on Substance Withdrawal Protocols for Alcohol, Narcotic and Barbiturates Withdrawal. If you have a topic of interest that you would like the Psychiatric Mental Health Chapter to discuss or present please be in touch with the leaders of the Chapter: Chair-David Hodson, Vice Chair-Fredrick Astle, Secretary/Treasurer-Liz Brown, Member at Large-Pat Johnson.

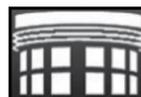
Make the right choice.

AnMed Health is an attractive choice for nurses.

- 578-bed health system includes a Level II Trauma Center, Comprehensive Cancer Center, Heart and Vascular Center, Women's and Children's Hospital, and a variety of diagnostic and surgical services.

Apply online at www.anmedhealth.org or call 864.512.1387 • 1.800.825.6688. ext. 1387

ANMED HEALTH
We're in this together.
Anderson, South Carolina



ORANGEBURG-CALHOUN TECHNICAL COLLEGE

Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College is a comprehensive two-year community college. Our mission is to provide relevant training and education in an environment that inspires success and promotes self-reliance for students, and fosters economic development for the region. Adjunct opportunities are available in our ADN and PN programs. MSN preferred.
Engage. Empower. Transform.

Please visit our website:

www.octech.edu

or contact HR

Email: hartsn@octech.edu

Phone: 803-535-1209 - Fax: 803-535-1411

EOE/AA/ADA

Chapters



AWHONN and the Women and Children's Health Chapter of SCNA Present Joint Workshop—"Clinical Refresher in Maternal Child Topics 2012"

by **Lois C. Hasan MSN, APRN**
Chair, Women and Children's Health Chapter

The Women and Children's Health Chapter of SCNA and the S. C. Section of the Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nursing (AWHONN) presented its annual joint workshop "A Clinical Refresher in Maternal Child Topics 2012" on Friday, March 23, 2012. The workshop was held at the Newberry Firehouse Conference Center.



The joint planning work between the two groups has proven to be beneficial to each group as we provide current information on topics related to the health of women, children and families.

Susan Bellebaum welcomed the attendees to the workshop on behalf of AWHONN. Lois Hasan, Chair of the Women and Children's Health Chapter of SCNA echoed the welcome and shared general workshop logistics.

The workshop consisted of three general and four breakout sessions. The general morning session featured Dr. Catherine Ross ACSW, LISW-CP, and VSP who spoke on the Effects of Domestic Violence on Child Development. Dr. Ross is the Director of Community Clinical and Educational Services at Sister Care Inc. She presented data on the scope of the problem, as well as an overview of the research on the short and long term effects of domestic violence in children at various developmental levels. Dr. Ross also shared an excellent handout on the emotional, behavioral, social and cognitive symptoms that children exhibit as a result of exposure to intimate partner violence. At the conclusion of her presentation the audience got to hear a very personal story from a victim of domestic violence. She spoke on how domestic violence impacted her life and the lives of her children and how she was finally able to remove herself from the situation. The take home message was that she survived and she thanked Sister Care for providing a safe place.

The morning breakout sessions featured presentation on updates in labor and delivery and drug use among youth.

Dr. Eric Dellinger, Division Director of Maternal Fetal Medicine at the Greenville Hospital System University Medical Center presented "We Have Always Done It That Way: An Evidence-Based Approach to L&D. During his presentation, he reviewed the evidence and consensus

recommendations for various obstetrical topics. The topics included delayed admission to the hospital, utilization of doula and midwives, use of AROM, IV fluids, oxygen and pushing techniques during labor. The presentation was well-received by all and the attendees found that many of the traditional labor practices are backed by the evidence, while others are equivocal and should be left up to patient choice. After the conclusion of the presentation, audience members asked Dr. Dellinger to expand on antepartum practices.

Bryan Fox, Ph.D presented information at the breakout session "High Times: New Trends in Adolescent Substance Abuse." Dr. Fox is the Director of Special Projects at Palmetto Health. He has been a counselor in the addiction field for 17 years. Dr. Fox shared statistics on the incidence of underage drinking in South Carolina. He also presented data on the rise of drugs that includes marijuana, K2/ Spice Herbal Incense, bath salts, Molly (an intense form of ecstasy), Dragon Fly (intense hallucinogenic with effect similar to LSD) and Pump-It-Powder (sold as an enhanced plant vitamin). The session attendees received valuable information on the common effects of these drugs and challenges related to legal enforcement issues.

The second breakout sessions before lunch were focused on a pediatric drug update and nursing documentation.

Christina C. Piro, PharmD presented a "Pediatric Drug Update." She is a Clinical Assistant Professor at the South Carolina College of Pharmacy and a clinician in the pediatric and neonatal intensive care units at Palmetto Health Richland. In her presentation she discussed medications in the treatment of asthma, seizures, head lice, proton pump inhibitors and clostridium difficile. The attendees were able to participate in case scenarios related to a step wise approach for managing asthma. She briefly shared the reason for the discontinuation of the Tylenol infant drop concentration.

Elizabeth Bradley, J.D. addressed "Legal Issues in Nursing Documentation." She discussed the importance of being careful when documenting nursing care. She shared principles of legally correct documentation and the consequences of poor documentation. Using case examples she demonstrated situations when nursing records were called into question. Elizabeth also presented content on nursing documentation in compliance with regulatory standards and reimbursement as well as societal factors that impact legal documentation. A lively question and answer session followed her presentation.

After lunch Kelly Walker, MSN, RNC-MNN, spoke on "Global Maternal Child Health Issues. Kelly works

at Roper St. Francis Healthcare in Charleston. Kelly discussed the World Health Organization's Millennium Development Goals, barriers in international health care, interventions aimed at reducing maternal and child mortality and how nurses can support global health initiatives. The goals include the: (1) eradication of poverty and hunger (2) achievement of universal primary education (3) promotion of gender equality and empowerment of women (4) reduction of infant mortality (5) improvement of maternal health (6) combating of HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases (7) ensuring of environmental sustainability and (7) development of a global partnership. Kelly shared her first hand observations and photos taken on her mission trip. She challenged the nurses to do what they can to make a difference in meeting the global maternal and child health goals.

The last general session was very enlightening. Pam Bartley, RN, BS, CEN, CCRN, spoke on "Social Media Implications for Nursing Practice." Pam is a self-employed nurse consultant and educator, and a legal nurse consultant for several law firms. She stated that the use of social media and other electronic communication is increasing. The National Council of State Boards of Nursing has developed a white paper on the use of social media. The advantages of social media in health care include networking, knowledge sharing and the delivery of communication in a timely manner. The nurse, however, has to be aware that patient privacy and confidentiality are not violated. In instances where this is proven the nurse faces disciplinary action by the Board of Nursing which can include a reprimand or sanction, payment of monetary fine, and temporary or permanent loss of licensure. In addition the nurse may face employment actions which could result in termination of employment. The take home message was that nurses need to become knowledgeable on the implications of social media in their practice of nursing.

Each year the planning committee decides on a community service project which provides support and services to women and children. The attendees donated hygiene items, cleaning supplies, paper products and monetary donations to Sister Care which was graciously accepted by Dr. Ross. We thank everyone who contributed so generously to this service project.

A special note of gratitude to the four exhibitors this year which included: Bella Baby Photography, Gaumard Scientific, Grand Canyon University and Palmetto Health. The workshop attendees had an opportunity to gain knowledge and participate in a door prize drawing after visiting all the exhibitor stations.

The members of the workshop planning committee express its appreciation to all workshop presenters, attendees and exhibitors. We also extend appreciation to those committee members who donated and secured table decorations and door prizes. We are grateful to the staff at the Newberry Firehouse Conference Center for their support. We especially wish to thank Rosie Robinson from SCNA for her invaluable help in workshop organization and logistics. We will begin plans for the 2013 workshop in the fall, so make plans to attend. The workshop details will be announced in future editions of The South Carolina Nurse and by AWHONN.

Seeking RNs with Psychiatric Experience

Psychiatric programs and services for children, adolescents, adults and seniors are offered in private inpatient and outpatient settings.

We offer full-time and PRN career opportunities.

We offer a competitive salary and benefits package.

Please fax your resume to (843) 745-5916 or email to josh.smith@uhsinc.com.



Applications can also be completed at our Human Resources office.

personal, private, professional.
PALMETTO
LOWCOUNTRY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
palmettobehavioralhealth.com

Florence-Darlington Technical College
is proudly offering . . .

New Programs for
Healthcare and IT Professionals
Enhance your career with

Health Information Technology

South Carolina's healthcare providers are moving toward adopting Electronic Healthcare Records and FDTC is offering certificates of completion in six Health IT workforce roles.

Certificates Offered:

- ◆ Health IT Trainers
 - ◆ Technical Software Support
 - ◆ Clinician/Practitioner Consultant
 - ◆ Implementation Support Specialist
 - ◆ Implementation Manager
 - ◆ Practice Workflow

Find out more and fill out an interest profile at:

www.fdtc.edu

- ◆ All Courses Are Online
- ◆ Convenient 4 - 6 Week Terms
- ◆ Non-Degree Certificates



2715 West Lucas Street
P. O. Box 100548, Florence, SC 29502-0548

Grant funded by the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology, US Department of Health and Human Services

We are looking for exceptional nurses to join our team.

RESIDENCIES

- Summer Nurse Fellowship (rising seniors)
- Critical Care
- Medical/Surgical

BENEFITS

- Enhanced Compensation & Career Ladder
- SC State Retirement Program and 401(k) Plan
- Health Plans/Dental Options
- Short- & Long-term Disability
- Tuition Reimbursement
- Annual Leave
- Flexible Spending Accounts
- On-site Day Care Center
- On-site Wellness Center

Contact: Joel Watts
(803) 791-2530 or
jdwards@lexhealth.org

LEXINGTON
MEDICAL CENTER

Apply on-line at www.lexmed.com • 1-800-868-7652

Chapters



19th Annual SCNA APRN Chapter Fall Pharmacology in Advanced Practice Conference

Thursday, October 11, 2012 (7:00 AM)–Saturday, October 13, 2012 (4:00 PM)

Spartanburg Marriott Hotel
299 North Church Street
Spartanburg, SC 29306

State, regional, and nationally recognized speakers will be presenting topics relevant to Nurse Practitioners. Sufficient hours of pharmacology content and controlled substance content will be offered. This year's conference will highlight topics of interest in General/Adult, Women's Health, and Pediatric areas of practice.

Hotel Room Rate of \$119.00 plus state, local and occupancy taxes per night. Reservations must be made by September 26, 2012 to get these prices. Call 864-591-3111 to make arrangements.

Registration opens this month. Go to www.scnurses.org to register today.

GENERAL SESSIONS:

- ADD/ADHD Developmental Perspective
- Derm Across the Life Span
- Billing and Coding

- Pharm Update
- Loves' Lost, The One's Left Behind After A Death By Suicide

BREAKOUTS SESSIONS

- Pediatric Hypertension
- Dysmenorrhea
- Ped Neurology
- Blood Gas/COPD
- Nutritional Supplements
- OCD/Anxiety Depression Peds and Beyond
- Aging Skin
- How to Manage Adjustment of Psy Drugs
- Team Management Approach for Childhood Obesity
- Adult Diabetes
- Stroke Management

- CHF Systolic & Diastolic CHF: What's the Difference in Treatment
- Sleep Disorder & Cardiovascular Disease: What's sleep got to do with it?
- Atrial Arrhythmias - I & D
- HIV
- Dysmetabolic Syndrome
- Update on Women Cancers
- Antibiotic Stewardship
- Pediatric Asthma Update
- PCOS

Conference Pre-Con

Wednesday, October 10, 2012 (3:30 PM–6:00 PM)
Registration opens 2:30PM

Advanced Hands on Wound Closure

Someday, your patients will face their greatest challenge.

Taking a multivitamin with folic acid every day contributes to overall good health. And if they choose the challenge of motherhood, folic acid, taken at least three months prior to conception, will reduce the risk of birth defects of the spine and brain.

For more information call:
1-800-6-SOMEDAY



Sponsored by The Folic Acid Group which includes Greenwood Genetic Center; SC Department of Disabilities and Special Needs; SC Department of Health and Environmental Control; and SC Developmental Disabilities Council.

Two New Online CE Courses

Enhancing Leadership Skills Through Self-Awareness

This course will enable you to:

- Identify the current leadership style you are using
- Discover your emotional intelligence
- Achieve the outcomes you desire from your team

Reclaiming Your Voice Through Writing

This course will enable you to:

- Improve your writing skills with a review of grammar and style
- Conduct a literature review paying close attention to critiquing research and writing
- Start writing a grant to acquire funding for project implementation

Course Details (applies to each course):

- Online course at your own pace
- 5 days, 2 hours/day (you select the times)
- 10 CE Credits
- \$200

Please contact Elizabeth M. White-Hurst at 803-777-3039 or whitehue@mailbox.sc.edu with any questions or visit our website at <http://www.sc.edu/nursing/cnl/cnlindex.html>



Sponsored by the South Carolina Center for Nursing Leadership

The Center for Nursing Leadership is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by the South Carolina Nurses Association, an Accredited Approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.



Hilton Head Regional Healthcare Serving the Needs of our Community

Hilton Head Hospital
Staff opportunities available in ICU and Float Pool.
www.hiltonheadregional.com

Coastal Carolina Hospital
Staff opportunities available in M/S, PCU and Float Pool.
www.coastalhospital.com
email: maryalice.meyer@tenethealth.com
843-689-8249

We offer our colleagues an excellent compensation and benefit package including a 401k with Company match.

EOE

HILTON HEAD REGIONAL HEALTHCARE

COME HOME OR DISCOVER US FOR THE FIRST TIME.



Maybe you've worked at **KershawHealth** earlier in your career. Or you simply crave a career destination that truly feels like home. Whatever the case, you'll find a warm, welcome and inviting workplace, as well as a generous benefits package at KershawHealth.

We have the following Full-Time Nursing opportunities available:

- Med/Surg**
- Women's Center ICU**
- Long-Term Care/Rehab**
- Emergency Department**

For a complete listing of opportunities, visit our website at www.kershawhealth.org. An equal opportunity employer.



Seniors Helping Seniors®
...a way to give and to receive®

Are you looking for a Positive Change?
Do Good *and* Make Money®

Seniors Helping Seniors®
Services offers valuable in-home, non-medical services, for seniors by seniors. Seniors love being helped by other seniors who really understand them.

Our **Franchise Partners** gain **easy entry** into one of the most **rapid growth** service industries in today's **boomer market**. Our experience, management and marketing expertise can help you hit the ground running.

Join our **Seniors Helping Seniors** franchise system if you are looking for substantial rewards for your bottom line and for your heart.

To **find out more** about this unique ground-floor opportunity, visit: www.SeniorsHelpingSeniors.com

Search for Balance

flexible
rewarding
FULLFILLING
renew
meaningful
BALANCED
peace
live

Find your perfect nursing career on nursingALD.com

Registration is free, fast, confidential and easy! You will receive an e-mail when a new job posting matches your job search.



South Carolina Board of Nursing



Official Information

MISSION OF THE BOARD OF NURSING

The mission of the State Board of Nursing for South Carolina is the protection of public health, safety, and welfare by assuring safe and competent practice of nursing.

This mission is accomplished by assuring safe initial practice as well as continuing competency in the practice of nursing and by promoting nursing excellence in the areas of education and practice. The Board licenses qualified individuals as licensed practical nurses, registered nurses or advanced practice registered nurses. Complaints against nurses are investigated and disciplinary action taken when necessary. Schools of nursing are surveyed and approved to ensure quality education for future nurses.

BOARD VACANCIES

There are currently three vacancies on the South Carolina State Board of Nursing. Board members serve terms of four years and until their successors are appointed and qualify. Board members must be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. Vacancies must be filled for the unexpired portion of a term by appointment of the Governor.

Pursuant to Section 40-33-10(A) of the Nurse Practice Act, when appointing members to the Board of Nursing, the Governor will give consideration to include a diverse representation of principal areas of nursing, but not limited to hospital, acute care, advanced practice, community health, and nursing education. Registered nurse and licensed practical nurse members must be licensed in South Carolina, must be employed in nursing, must have at least three years of practice in their respective professions immediately preceding their appointment and must reside in the district they represent. Lay members represent the public at large as consumers of nursing services and may not be licensed or employed as a health care provider. No Board member may serve as an officer of a professional health-related state association.

There is a vacancy on the Board for one registered nurse representative from Congressional District 4. There are vacancies for licensed practical nurse representatives for Region I and for Region II. Region I includes Congressional Districts 1, 2 and 3. Region II includes Congressional Districts 4, 5 and 6. If you are not sure of your congressional district, you may check your district at www.scvotes.org/check_your_voter_registration.

An individual, group or association may nominate qualified persons and submit written requests to the Governor's Office for consideration and appointment to the State Board of Nursing. If you or someone you know is interested in the registered nurse or licensed practical nurse positions on the Board of Nursing, a letter of request, along with a resume or curriculum vitae, should be submitted to Boards and Commissions, Office of the Governor, Post Office Box 11829, Columbia, SC 29211-1829.

Committee Members Needed

Nomination forms for vacancies on the Advanced Practice Committee, Advisory Committee on Nursing and Nursing Practice and Standards Committee can be found on the Board's website (www.llr.state.sc.us/pol/nursing/) under Applications/Forms. A list of meeting dates for this year is located in this newsletter.

Advanced Practice Committee (APC)

The Advanced Practice Committee (APC) is a standing committee appointed by the Board, established to review current advanced registered nursing (APRN) and to advise the Board and nursing community on the safe and competent practice of APRNs. The APC meets quarterly on the first Friday in February, May, August and November of each year. There is currently a position open for a Medical Surgical Clinical Nurse Specialist and Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist on the APC.

All APC members must be currently licensed in South Carolina, not under a current disciplinary order, certified and practicing in the area they represent. APC members are appointed for an initial term of two years with the possibility of reappointment by the Board for three years to provide for staggering of terms. Information from all interested parties is submitted to the Board for review and appointment/reappointment. Members' perspectives and participation are valued and necessary for continuity, so regular committee meeting attendance is very important. If you or someone you know is interested in

serving as Medical Surgical Clinical Nurse Specialist representative, submit your completed nomination form along with your curriculum vitae to LLR-Board of Nursing, P O Box 12367, Columbia, SC 29211.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NURSING (ACON)

The Advisory Committee on Nursing (ACON) assists the Board of Nursing with long-range planning for nursing and facilitates collaboration between education and practice. The ACON meets on the third Tuesday in February, April, June and October. They meet on the last Tuesday in August and first Tuesday in December each year. There is currently a position available for the graduate educator representative.

All ACON members must be currently licensed in South Carolina, practicing in the area they represent and not be under a current disciplinary order. Members are appointed by the Board for an initial term of two years with the possibility of reappointment for three years to provide for staggering of terms. All nominations, as well as requests for reappointment, are submitted to the Board for review. Members' perspectives and participation are valued and necessary for continuity so regular committee meeting attendance is very important. If you or someone you know is interested in serving as the graduate educator representative, submit your completed nomination form along with your curriculum vitae to LLR-Board of Nursing, P O Box 12367, Columbia, SC 29211.

Nursing Practice and Standards Committee

The Nursing Practice and Standards Committee (NPSC) assists the Board of Nursing on issues affecting nursing practice in the state. The NPSC is charged with developing and revising advisory opinions and position statements. The NPSC meets quarterly on the third Thursday in January, April, July and October each year. There are currently positions available on NPSC for an Acute Care Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), Long Term Care/ Gerontology, Maternal Child/ OB and Psychiatric/ Mental Health representatives.

All NPSC members must be currently licensed in South Carolina, practicing in the area they represent and not be under a current disciplinary order. Members' perspectives and participation are valued and necessary for continuity. If you or someone you know is interested in serving as Acute Care Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), Long Term Care/ Gerontology, Maternal Child/ OB and Psychiatric/ Mental Health representatives, submit your completed nomination form along with your curriculum vitae to LLR-Board of Nursing, P O Box 12367, Columbia, SC 29211.

LICENSE CHECK

To check a nursing license, you may utilize one or all of the following options:

1. SC Licensee Lookup—Go to www.llr.state.sc.us/pol/nursing/, click on Licensee Lookup (Magnifying Glass) and choose Nursing. As you enter information, it is recommended that you enter a portion of the nurse's name only. You will be provided with the nurse's name, city and state, license number, as well as license type, date issued/ expires, license status and whether the license is multi-state or single state.
2. Nursys QuickConfirm—Go to <https://www.nursys.com/> click on QuickConfirm and follow the instructions. You will be provided with the nurse's name, state of licensure, license type and number, license status, license expiration date and discipline status. The following states participate in QuickConfirm: Alaska, American Samoa, Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Guam, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana-RN, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Northern Mariana Islands, Ohio, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virgin Islands, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia-PN, Wisconsin, and Wyoming. Go to NCSBN.org for updates as states are added.
3. Other States—Most states have licensee lookup/ licensure verification on their websites. Links to boards of nursing can be found at www.ncsbn.org.

You may check for discipline against a South Carolina nursing license on the Board's website at www.llr.state.sc.us/pol/nursing/ under Disciplinary Actions.

Name Change on Nursing License

If you have had a legal name change, submit your written request along, with a copy of the legal document(s) (copy of marriage certificate, divorce decree, court order, etc.), to the LLR-Board of Nursing, Post Office Box 12367, Columbia, SC 29211. Please indicate in your request whether you will use your middle name or maiden name for your middle initial or if you wish to hyphenate your name. For example, if Jane Ann Doe marries John Smith will she use Jane Ann Smith? or Jane Doe Smith? or Jane Ann Doe Smith? or Jane Ann Doe-Smith Your request will be processed within five business days of receipt in Board offices and will be reflected on Licensee Lookup within three to five business days after the change is made.

You may verify that your name change request has been processed on Licensee Lookup on our website (www.llr.state.sc.us/pol/nursing/). When utilizing Licensee Lookup, you do not have to enter complete names. For example, "J" and "Smith" will search for records with a last name of "Smith" and a first name beginning with "J." Refer to Section 04-33-36(B) of the Nurse Practice Act regarding statutory requirements for your name on your license. You may view the Nurse Practice Act—Chapter 33 located under Law/Policies on the Board's website

HAVE YOU MOVED?

Section 40-33-38(C) of the South Carolina Code of Laws (Nurse Practice Act) requires that all licensees notify the Board *in writing* within 15 days of any address change. So you do not miss important time-sensitive information from the Board, such as your courtesy renewal notice, audit notice or other important licensure information, be sure to notify the Board immediately whenever you change your address. Failure to notify the Board of an address change may result in a public reprimand and \$500 civil penalty. You may change your address on-line utilizing the address change form under Online Services found on the Board's website: www.llr.state.sc.us/pol/nursing/.

Note: Changing your address with the South Carolina Nurses Association (SCNA) does not change your address on your licensing records with the South Carolina State Board of Nursing.

RETURNED CHECKS

When submitting any fees to the Board of Nursing, be certain there are sufficient funds in your account to cover your payment (*paper or electronic check or credit card*) and that the payment has cleared before closing the account. Section 40-1-50(G) of the South Carolina Code of Laws states that a license shall be suspended if a fee payment is made by a check that is subsequently returned by the financial institution unpaid and is not made good within 10 days of official notification. This suspension is exempt from the Administrative Procedures Act. Unpaid checks constitute a non-payment of license fees. Section 40-33-38(C) of the South Carolina Code of Laws (Nurse Practice Act) requires that all licensees notify the Board *in writing* within 15 days of any address change. When a check is returned, replacement funds, plus the returned check fee allowed by law, will be charged.

TOOLS OF THE TRADE

When is the last time you visited the Board of Nursing's website? The Board recommends that *all* nurses licensed by or working in South Carolina visit its website (www.llr.state.sc.us/pol/nursing/) at least monthly for up-to-date information on nursing licensure in South Carolina. When a new advisory opinion is issued or a current advisory opinion revised, it is updated on the website after Board approval. The Competency Requirement, Competency Requirement Criteria, Licensure information, Advisory Opinions, Position Statements and the Nurse Practice Act are just a few of the valuable tools and information you will find on the website.

The Advisory Opinions, Position Statements and the Nurse Practice Act are located under Laws/Policies. The Competency Requirement and Competency Requirement Criteria, which includes continuing education contact hours, are located under Licensure.

The Board hopes you will find this information useful in your nursing practice.



State Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation

South Carolina Board of Nursing Official Information

LLR continued from page 14

Board Members

- Samuel H. McNutt, RN, CRNA, MHSA, Congressional District 5—President
- Carol A. Moody, RN, MAS, NEA-BC, Congressional District 4—Vice President
- Lisa C. Irvin, RN, MSN, NEA-BC, Congressional District 6—Secretary
- Amanda E. Baker, RN, MSN, MNA, CRNA, Congressional District 2
- Tara R. Hulseley, PhD, RN, CNE, Congressional District 1
- Anne Crook, PhD, Public Member
- James E. Mallory, EdD, Public Member

Vacancies: [See Section 40-33-10(A) of the Nurse Practice Act for prerequisites and requirements]
 Registered Nurse—Congressional District 3
 Licensed Practical Nurse—Region I and II (Congressional Districts 1, 2, 3 / 4, 5, 6)

S.C. BOARD OF NURSING CONTACT INFORMATION:

- Main Telephone Line (803) 896-4550
- Fax Line (803) 896-4515
- General Email Nurseboard@llr.sc.gov
- Website www.llr.state.sc.us/pol/nursing/

The Board of Nursing is located at Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, 110 Centerview Drive, Suite 202, Columbia, SC 29210. Directions to the office can be found on the website—www.llronline.com—at the bottom of the page. The Board’s mailing address is LLR—Office of Board Services—SC Board of Nursing, Post Office Box 12367, Columbia, SC 29211-2367.

Normal agency business hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Offices are closed for holidays designated by the state.

Board of Nursing Administration

Nancy G. Murphy,
 Administrator nancy.murphy@llr.sc.gov

Office of Investigations and Enforcement

Main Telephone Line (803) 896-4470

VISIT US ON OUR WEBSITE: www.llr.state.sc.us/pol/nursing/

The Board of Nursing Website contains the Nurse Practice Act (Chapter 33—Laws Governing Nursing in South Carolina), Regulations (Chapter 91), Compact Information, Advisory Opinions, Licensure applications, Continued Competency Requirements/Criteria, Application Status, Licensee Lookup, Disciplinary Actions, and other helpful information. All nurses are encouraged to visit the website at least monthly for up-to-date information.

Board of Nursing Meeting Calendar for 2012

(Board and Committee meeting agendas are posted on the Board’s website (www.llr.state.sc.us/pol/nursing/) at least 24 hours prior meeting.)

Board of Nursing Meeting	July 26-27, 2012
Board of Nursing Meeting	September 27-28, 2012
Board of Nursing Meeting	November 29-30, 2012
Advanced Practice Committee	August 3, 2012
Advanced Practice Committee	November 2, 2012
Advisory Committee on Nursing	June 19, 2012
Advisory Committee on Nursing	August 28, 2012
Advisory Committee on Nursing	October 16, 2012
Advisory Committee on Nursing	December 4, 2012
Nursing Practice & Standards Committee	July 12, 2012
Nursing Practice & Standards Committee	October 10, 2012

Designated 2012 State Holidays

- Independence Day
- Labor Day
- Veterans Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Day After Thanksgiving
- Christmas Eve
- Christmas Day
- Day After Christmas

Observed On

- Wednesday, July 4, 2012
- Monday, September 3, 2012
- Monday, November 12, 2012
- Thursday, November 22, 2012
- Friday, November 23, 2012
- Monday, December 24, 2012
- Tuesday, December 25, 2012
- Wednesday, December 26, 2012

**MIDLANDS TECHNICAL COLLEGE
 CLINICAL NURSING INSTRUCTORS**

Clinical instructors needed for the Associate Degree and Practical Nursing Programs. Part-time weekday positions are either 9 hours/week or 18 hours/week for one semester.

QUALIFICATIONS: Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing; Master’s Degree preferred. Two years of recent clinical experience required in Med/Surg or Pediatrics. Must have South Carolina Registered Nurse license. Teaching experience preferred. For more information, contact Elaine Hooker at (803) 822-3334.

Interested persons meeting the qualifications should submit resume and transcripts stating Social Security Number to: Elaine Hooker, Nursing, Midlands Technical College, PO Box 2408, Columbia, SC 29202.

AA/EOE/ADA



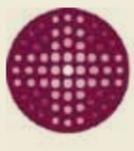
I believe I am defined by the care I give.

Believe in touching lives.
 Home healthcare allows you to see one patient at a time like you imagined when you started your career. When you become a part of home healthcare, you become a part of your patients’ lives.

Registered Nurses

- Work one-on-one with patients
- Treat a wide range of diagnoses
- Receive specialized training

Call us today at **1.866.GENTIVA**
 Visit us at gentiva.com/careers



GENTIVASM

home health

AA/EOE M/F/D/V encouraged to apply.

OKLAHOMA
 WESLEYAN
 UNIVERSITY

RN to BSN

Completely Online!

Are you an experienced professional nurse looking to expand your career? Look no further.

- Each course completed in about 5 weeks
- No Chemistry or Stats required
- No Foreign Language required
- In-state tuition for all
- VA approved - NNEI Applications accepted

Applicants must have a valid RN license.

100% of our most recent RN graduates passed the NCLEX.

OKWU has regional accrediting and is also accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) www.aacn.nche.edu

Check out our MBA in Nursing Management!

Classes forming now, no waiting!

Request information using this Smart Phone QR



Post 911 GI Bill
 Yellow Ribbon
 PROGRAM PARTICIPANT



866-225-6598

www.CollegeOnMyTime.com
okwu.edu

Christ ♦ Scripture ♦ Truth ♦ Wisdom

Take the leap.

Pursue those three big letters that come after your name.

BSN and MSN

As a RN, you can advance your education online and work towards advancing your career. Online options include: **RN to BSN Option**, **RN-BSN to MSN Option** and **Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) Degree Program**.

Chamberlain College of Nursing offers a proven model with advanced degree program options to take you to the next step. Keep moving forward.



CHAMBERLAIN
College of Nursing



Now enrolling for summer, fall and spring semesters

For more information, please visit chamberlain.edu or call 888.556.8CCN (8226)

Comprehensive consumer information is available at: chamberlain.edu/studentconsumerinfo

National Management Offices | 3005 Highland Parkway | Downers Grove, IL 60515 | 888.556.8CCN (8226)