The South Carolina Nurse

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Save the Date

NURSING: A Kaleidoscope of Practices

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SCNA Convention
General Session Speakers

October 21, 2016
8:15 & 9:45

Ernest J. Grant, PhD, RN, FAAN
ANA Vice President
Safety 360 – Taking Responsibility Together!

and

Kahlil A Demonbreun,
DNP, WHNP-BC, ANP-BC
SCNA APRN Chapter Chair

“New ANA Scope of Practice Update”

As always SCNA welcomes students to attend the General Sessions and the Annual Membership Meeting at no cost.
October 21st 8:15 – Noon

STUDENTS MUST REGISTER IN ADVANCE
http://www.scnurses.org/event/2016StudentRegistration

current resident or
In order to practice at your highest capacity as a nurse, you must practice in a healthy work environment! The work environment impacts not only the quality and safety of nursing care provided, but also, the retention of nurses. Healthy work environments empower nurses to participate in increased commitment to their unit as well as to the organization. Employees, who have respect for one another, where communication and collaboration are valued, help to create a work place environment that promotes mental and physically safety.

I have just launched another class of new nursing graduates! This is always a time filled with much ambivalence for the graduates! They have worked very hard to accomplish their goal of completing this first step in embarking upon their beginning practice as a new nurse! I am excited for them to begin this journey also knowing that they must continue the educational journey to pursue further degrees in nursing.

As I reflect on the concept of a safe work environment I reflect on what their future in nursing will be! In the leadership and management center, they completed resume’s, discussed laws that govern their practice, and how to interview for their first job as a graduate nurse!

I always feel that the nursing faculty empowers our graduates to make wise decisions, to be discerning in their final acceptance of a new position in nursing. However, we may be remiss in stressing the importance of a safe work environment. They are taught to be respectful of others, to function as advocates, and to always provide the highest quality of nursing care. Could we do more to assist these new graduates to assume their own responsibility for creating and maintaining a healthy, safe work environment? I must strive to make this impression on our continuing students so that they will be equipped to take on the responsibility to create and or maintain the “culture of safety” not only throughout their educational pursuit but also, throughout their career as a nurse!

As “veteran” nurses in the work place, we must do a better job nurturing these new nurses and maintain a safe work environment. You must reflect on your work environment! If we are not working in a safe environment we must question our current work environment to discover how changes can be made to create the “culture of safety”! We have a responsibility to the future of nursing practice! We will be the patients of tomorrow! So, we must assist generations of nurses to embrace the culture of safety for the perpetuation of our practice!
that all such books must comply with the Publications Review Board of the C.I.A., this review goes on to describe this kind of writing with quotations from the writing stood out, “…his style is jock-bureaucratic-tough talk clotted with insider communications between people has become more and more specialized with words having more than one meaning, often depending on situational events. Maybe this jolt of reality was situational. Maybe it was because I was out of my usual comfort zone when they took place.

I shall not bore you with the details. It is enough to say that each time that it happened there were some considerable moments of discombobulation as the final translation of words was explained and the “light” of understanding flickered on for those of us involved. It is interesting to note that each time that there was some “confusion” about what had been said or done, it was very much involved with language that made reference to computer-speak. I promise that I am not a Luddite! However, it is fascinating to me how simple English words take on vastly different shades of meaning and nuance, when the computer is involved. Imagine if one did not speak English!

While I was having these interesting language experiences, I picked up my weekly copy of “The New Yorker” magazine, in it was an article that truly gave me pause. It was a review of a new book by Michael Hayden about his time at the C.I.A. While the article expands on the themes above, I found that the careful statement of the issue to be most compelling in its simplicity. Words as fences, jargon as walls to keep out the hearer, simpler and an indictment of our current ways of communication. It fascinates me that we have even more methods of communication than ever before, but, we are still looking for ways to keep others out of understanding clearly what we are saying. I recently showed Rosie Robinson, the up-to-date computer guru of SCNA, to computer-speak. I promise that I am not a Luddite! However, it is fascinating to me how simple English words take on vastly different shades of meaning and nuance, when the computer is involved. Imagine if one did not speak English!

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The next paragraph of the review really captured what I had just experienced with language use. “This matter of language is important. Professional jargon on Wall Street, in humanities departments, in government offices (and may I add, in healthcare situations)-can be a fence raised to keep out the uninitiated and permit those within it to persist in the belief that what they do is too hard, too complex, to be questioned. Jargon means. Let us all keep communicating! ONWARD!


A month of May addendum to this article. Even more recently I found myself once again in a healthcare setting with our daughter. This time the language was simple, direct, and caring in a way that was most supportive and enabling of moving forward with the process that was playing out during the stay. It quickly became clear that the path that Polly was on was one that would only end in one way. It also became a time of true care and compassion that I would hope for all families who find themselves learning that death would be the only outcome of what was taking place. Communication was simple and direct in the face of complicated processes and procedures to enable Hospice care to begin. As we left Palmetto Richland Hospital for the final time following Polly’s death, my sister, Jane, who was with me at the time said, “Is this the kind of care that you always get in this hospital? I have never seem a system like this. Every encounter with each and all members of the staff, no matter what their roles might be, was undergirded by the most wonderful sense of caring and comfort. It was amazing.” A brief background: Jane had just been involved in end of life care of a cousin in Cincinnati, so she had very recent experience with what other kinds of care looked like. It was then that the magnitude of the gift that we Polly’s family had been given really became so she had very recent experience with what other kinds of care looked like. It was then that the magnitude of the gift that we Polly’s family had been given really became

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Do you knit or crochet?
We would like to make a “Kaleidoscope” lap blanket (or two) at the Convention. Bring a completed 5 inch x 5 inch square of any pattern with you to the Convention. The lap blanket(s) will be assembled and presented during the luncheon on Friday.

Exhibits and Sponsors Wanted
Exhibits and Sponsors Wanted for the 2016 SCNA State Convention and APRN Pharm Conference October 20 – 21, 2016, Sonesta Resort, Hilton Head, SC.

- Exhibitor Level - $500
- Supporter Level - $1000
- Sustainer Level - $1500
- Champion Level - $5000

http://www.scnurses.org/event/2016Exhibits-Supporters for more information

Calling all Artists!
Calling all artists to display their work depicting Nursing: A Kaleidoscope of Practices. Materials in all mediums are encouraged. Art will be displayed in SCNA’s Gallery of Arts and Science of Nursing on Thursday and Friday of the State Convention. Look for more details on the registration form.

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Contact SCNA for retired member rate for SCNA members who do not need continuing nursing education

Anouncing Pre-Con Sessions – Extra Fee – Separate Registration Process

go to http://www.scnurses.org/event/2016Pre-ConSessions

Member Rate $50.00 Per Session
Non Member Rate $75.00 Per Session

Tuesday, October 18th
3:30PM-5:00PM
Choose One
- Radiology for Sticks and Stones (1.5 CH/PH) Speaker Bruce Williams
- CDC’s 2016 Opioid Prescribing Guidelines for Primary Care (1.5 CH/PH/CS)
  Speaker Crystal Endsley

Wednesday, October 19th
10:00AM-12:30PM
Choose One
- Management of Dysfunctional Uterine Bleeding: Endometrial Biopsy (2.5 CH/PH) Speaker Sharon Eden
- Advanced STEMI Recognition for the APRN (2.5 CH/PH) Speaker Tom Bounhilet
- Myofascial Pain (2.5 CH/PH) Speaker Michael Domney

SCNA State Convention Agenda / Schedule

Tuesday, October 18, 2016

9:30 AM - 10:00 AM
- Pre-Con Registration — Attendee Packet Pickup

10:00 AM - 12:30 PM
- Pre-Con Session Two [extra registration and registration fee]

12:00 PM - 5:45 PM
- Conversion Registration — Attendee Packet Pickup

1:30 PM - 3:30 PM
- Street Drugs and What Healthcare Providers Need to Know (2 CH/PH)
- A to Z Arthropods to Zika: A Look at the Threats From Mosquitoes, Spiders and Ticks (2 CH/PH)
- Psychopharmacology Update (2 CH/PH/CS)

6:45 PM - 10:30 PM
- Legislative Update

6:45 PM
- SCNA Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, October 19

9:30 AM - 10:00 AM
- Pre-Con Registration — Attendee Packet Pickup

10:00 AM - 12:30 PM
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- Psychopharmacology Update (2 CH/PH/CS)

3:30 PM - 4:00 PM
- Break

4:00 PM - 5:30 PM
- Anticoagulation: What is best for my patient? (1.5 CH/PH)
- The Secret Blood Method: Cutting Edge Approach to Medicine with PRP - Platelet Rich Plasma (1.5 CH/PH)
- Autism Across the Life Span (1.5 CH/PH)
- Wound Care (1.5 CH/PH)

5:45 PM - 6:45 PM
- Educational Track — Attendee Packet Pickup

6:45 PM
- SCNA Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday, October 20

7:00 AM - 5:30 PM
- Convention Registration — Attendee Packet Pickup

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM
- New Member and 1st Time Attendee Breakfast

7:30 AM
- Exhibits Set Up

8:00 AM - 9:30 AM
- Pediatric Burns (1.5 CH/PH)
- Pushing Pills: Avoiding prescribing pitfalls in the geriatric population for the APRN (1.5 CH/PH)
- Fostering Healthy Family Reproductive Options, Nationally and in South Carolina (1.5 CH)
- Kaleidoscope of Injuries (1.5 CH/PH)
- Clinical Nurse Leader: How the CNL Fits in the Kaleidoscope of Nursing (1.5 CH)

9:30 AM - 10:00 AM
- Break with Exhibits

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- Everything You Need to Know About Peripheral Neuropathy...and Then Some (2 CH/PH)
- Behavioral Health and Emotional Wellness for Veterans: PTSD and More (2 CH/PH)
- Hep C and HIV from the Primary Care Perspective (2 CH/PH)
Convention Purpose: is to provide updated information across the practice spectrum of registered nurses and advanced practice nurses. State, regional, and nationally recognized speakers will be presenting topics relevant to all. The Convention will provide Continuing Nursing Education. The content is designed to meet the needs of registered nurses and advanced practice nurses practicing in SC. If Continuing Nursing Education is your chosen form of meeting the South Carolina Nurse Practice Act requirements, Chapter 33, Section 40-33-40, Continuing Competency for your biannual license or for your certification on the national level, this convention will be acceptable for those purposes.

All session topics and speakers will be announced July 1st. Attendees of the Convention will be awarded up to 14.25 contact hours (18.25 including Pre-Con Event). The number of hours that have pharmacology and controlled substance content will vary depending on the breakout sessions attended. In order to receive contact hours you must attend a session/breakout in its entirety and complete a CNE evaluation form.
Section 1. Composition

Article III: Membership

All members are welcome and meeting. There is no proxy voting. The qualification is Board of Directors of SCNA and the announcement of the Meeting, unless one wishes to stay for the luncheon that meeting. There is no proxy voting. The qualification is membership in SCNA/ANA or SCNA-Only as of October 7, 2016 and continue to hold membership after that date.

Resolutions

The official call for Resolutions was made in January issue of the SC Nurse. Resolutions must have been received by May 1, 2016. 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 no later than October 10, 2016. Copies of The Annual Book of Reports will be provided to attendees.

These Bylaws will be proposed at the SCNA Annual Meeting in October 2016 for a vote of the members in attendance at the SCNA Annual Meeting.

Bylaw Proposals

I. Proposal

Article III: Membership

Section 1 Composition

Add new a. “SCNA shall have membership open to all registered nurses and meet the qualifications of membership as enumerated in this section.”

Rationale: As suggested in the ANA Bylaws to provide congruence.

II. Proposal

Article III: Membership

Section 3. Membership Rights and Obligations

Add to current number 5: following “Attend” the SCNA Annual Meeting the ANA Membership Assembly and any other meetings and unrestricted activities of SCNA and ANA.

Rationale: fulfills ANA requirement to be certain that members know that they may attend the Membership Assembly if they follow the requirements of ANA for attendance.

III. Proposal

Article V. Dues

Section 1. Amount of Dues

a. Full Membership Includes:

1. ANA Dues:

(b) Insert after last sentence is each section: “SCNA will follow the implementation of the dues, including the Dues Escalator according to the calendar accepted by ANA.”

2. SCNA Dues:

(b) Insert after last sentence is each section: “SCNA will follow the implementation of the dues, including the Dues Escalator according to the calendar accepted by ANA.”

Rationale: SCNA has always followed the ANA calendar for implementation of the Dues Escalator. This addition to the two sections would ensure that any action taken at the ANA level would be mirrored at the SCNA level. At the current time ANA is evaluating a series of dues plans to try to determine what a positive dues amount might be for ANA and for C/SNA’s. (VALUE PRICING PILOT PROGRAM) This is part of a long term project by ANA and the C/SNA’s. The implementation or non-implementation of the Dues Escalator would be in line with trying to find a dues amount that would assist in making ANA/C/SNA membership even more attractive.

IV. Proposal

Article VI. Board of Directors

Section 2. Composition

(a) Strike: three (3) Chairpersons of the Commission.

Insert Two (2) Chairpersons of the Commissions to replace the current language.

Rationale: As SCNA began the newly created system of Chapters it seemed reasonable to create the position of Commission Chair for Chapters to ensure that the “voice” of the Chapters would be heard at the Board table. As time has moved on and the Chapters have grown

this voice is not as necessary, since most of the Chapter Chairs themselves attend the Board meetings and are welcome to express their needs and opinion on the issues that both affect their Chapters as well as the other work of the SCNA Board. This position has remained unfilled for two years. It has not appeared that this has harmed the Chapters in any way. The reduction of one Board member does allow for there to be an odd number of Board members which is desirable.

V. Proposal

Article IX: Commissions

Section 2. Composition and Designation

(a). Strike: (a) Commission on SCNA Chapters and (i) SCNA Chapters.

(b). Renumber (b) and (c) to become (a) and (b).

Rationale: See above.

Subsequent revision of the SCNA Organizational Chart: Redraw in such a way that the SCNA Chapters are a direct line from the Board of Directors rather than under the title of Commissions. Retain the two Commissions as they are depicted with a title for Commissions and the remaining two under that title in a direct line from the Board of Directors.

Report of the SCNA Nomination Committee

This article represents the initial report of the Nomination Committee for the 2016 election. The following offices are open for election. In keeping with the SCNA Election Policy write-ins will be permitted for a member whose name does not appear on the 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 September 6, 2016 and close October 4, 2016.

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 2016 elections.

In 2016, members will elect:

Full (SCNA/ANA) & SCNA Only Election

• President-Elect
• Commission Chair- SCNA Chapters
• Director Seat 1
• Director Seat 2

SCNA Nomination Committee (5 people)

Full (SCNA/ANA)

• Representative to the ANA Membership Assembly (2 people – President and President-Elect)
• Alternates for Representatives to the ANA Membership Assembly

SCNA Chapters will also hold elections for:

• Chair
• Member-At-Large (2 people)
my passion with nursing students at the USC College of Nursing. I hope to advance our profession from the ‘ground up’ by of you.

Alternate Representative to the ANA Membership Assembly
Stanley Harris of Orangeburg, SC
Place of Employment: ITT Technical Institute
Current Title: Chair, School of Nursing
Statement of Why Running For Office: I am looking forward to learning more about life at the ANA level. I would like to explore new horizons.

Commission Chair – SCNA Chapters
NO NOMINATIONS RECEIVED

Director Seat 1
Alice Wyatt of West Columbia, SC
Place of Employment: Volunteer NP for Good Samaritan Clinic, West Columbia, SC plus volunteer at Lexington Medical Center, West Columbia, SC
Current Title: APRN-BC
Statement of Why Running For Office: To continue the work started on SCNA's Strategic Plan.

Director Seat 2
Tammi Nelson of Summerville, SC
Place of Employment: Medical University South Carolina
Current Title: RN
Statement of Why Running For Office: The ball is rolling on our New Grad Advisory Council and I want to keep it rolling! The council is growing
keep it rolling! The council is growing over the next 2 years!

Nominations Committee (elect five)
Shakira Lynn of Simpsonville, SC
Place of Employment: Laurens County Community Care Center
Current Title: Family Nurse Practitioner
Statement of Why Running For Office: I’m running for this office because SCNA shares my passion and dedication to the nursing profession. I plan to attend chapter meetings as well as SCNA annual conference. As part of the nominations committee, I will work with other committee members to secure candidates for the upcoming ballot and present a slate of qualified, acceptable candidates to the board of directors to gain approval. I will work diligently to recruit potential candidates and encourage interest in SCNA leadership.

Latasha Williams of Columbia, SC
Place of Employment: Wm. Jennings Bryan Derm VA Medical Center
Current Title: Staff Nurse-Med/Surg
Statement of Why Running For Office: To help bring with great candidates to direct the association.

Robin Trautler of Columbia, SC
Place of Employment: Advanced Heart Health Center at Palmetto Health Richland
Current Title: Acute Care Nurse Practitioner
Statement of Why Running For Office: I am running for a seat on the SCNA Nominations Committee to help facilitate the growth and mission of SCNA. I feel that it is very important to nominate people who are going to continue the mission of the SCNA and help SCNA grow as well as advocate for nurses.

Tonya Wagner of Moncks Corner, SC
Place of Employment: Current Title: Statement of Why Running For Office:

Anchor Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center of Aiken is looking for RNs & LPNs
Apply at www.orianna.com
550 Eastgate Drive, Aiken, SC, 29801
Utility
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• Critical Care Services
• Rehabilitation
• Surgery
• Women’s Services

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Please let us know that you saw the ad in the South Carolina Nurse Newsletter.

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Annual Membership Meeting

SCNA Chapter Officer Nominations

Chapter Member-At-Large (elect two)
Katharine Gibb of Spartanburg, SC
Place of Employment: University of South Carolina Upstate
Current Title: Dean, Mary Black School of Nursing University of South Carolina Upstate
Statement of Why Running For Office: As Dean of Mary Black School of Nursing our graduate program's track is the Clinical Nurse Leader. I will be actively involved in the CNL Chapter to see this chapter grow in membership and show the benefit of utilizing CNLs in the nursing profession.

Sonya Blevins of Greenville, SC
Place of Employment: University of South Carolina Upstate
Current Title: Assoc. Dean
Statement of Why Running For Office: I have taught in the USC Upstate graduate program (CNL track) since the program began and I am knowledgeable in the curriculum and want to see active participation in the CNL Chapter.

Chapter Member-At-Large (elect two)
Kathy Bouthillet of Hilton Head, SC
Place of Employment: Hilton Head and Coastal Carolina Hospitals
Current Title: MSN, APRN, CCNS, ACNP BC
Statement of Why Running For Office: The current practice landscape continues to be challenging and requires that all APRNs possess understanding of current threats to scope of practice regulations and other policy initiatives that APRNs have the knowledge and competencies to advocate for. I have spent time during my current term in advocating for advanced practice nursing, most notably in the Lowcountry as well as networking with APRNs across the state, to 'recruit' support for involvement in professional nursing, social activism and policy issues for nursing and our patients.

Chapter Member-At-Large (elect two)
Kelly Bouthillet of Hilton Head, SC
Place of Employment: Hilton Head and Coastal Carolina Hospitals
Current Title: MSN, APRN, CCNS, ACNP BC
Statement of Why Running For Office: I’m running for this office because SCNA shares the same passion that I have for the nursing profession.
My goal is to be familiar with the operations of the SCNA APRN Executive Board and assist in the achievement of goals and supporting decisions made by the Board of Directors.
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Clinical Nurse Leader Chapter
Chapter Chair
Mary Alice Hodges of Spartanburg, SC
Place of Employment: USC Upstate
Current Title: Assoc. Professor / Chair Graduate Program
Statement of Why Running For Office: I am an SCN Certified and Director of USC Upstate's Graduate program which focuses on the CNL track. I have been an active member of SCNA since 2014 and desire to move the Clinical Nurse Leader forward in South Carolina. Increased membership in the CNL Chapter is my goal.

Psychiatric – Mental Health Chapter
Chapter Chair
Maggie Johnson of West Columbia, SC
Place of Employment: Columbia Area Mental Health Center, SCDDMH
Current Title: Nurse Practitioner
Statement of Why Running For Office: I love Psych!

Women and Children's Health Chapter
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Place of Employment: University of South Carolina / Eau Claire Behavioral Medicine
Current Title: Asst. Dir. PMHNP Program, Clinical Assistant Professor
Statement of Why Running For Office: It concerns me that there was a psych chapter that I was completely unaware in which I could have been involved. The mental health needs of our state are great! Psychiatric nurses at all levels are in a great position to impact the future of mental health care in our state so we need an active voice.

Peggy Dunaway of Easley, SC
Place of Employment: retired from private practice
Current Title: retired Clinical Nurse Specialist
Statement of Why Running For Office: Even though I am retired from nursing, I highly value the specialty of Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing and would like to continue to work toward promoting both PMH practice and working for the betterment of psychiatric care in SC.

Kelly Bouthillet of Hilton Head, SC
Place of Employment: Hilton Head and Coastal Carolina Hospitals
Current Title: MSN, APRN, CCNS, ACNP BC
Statement of Why Running For Office: The current practice landscape continues to be challenging and requires that all APRNs possess understanding of current threats to scope of practice regulations and other policy initiatives that APRNs have the knowledge and competencies to advocate for. I have spent time during my current term in advocating for advanced practice nursing, most notably in the Lowcountry as well as networking with APRNs across the state, to ‘recruit’ support for involvement in professional nursing, social activism and policy issues for nursing and our patients.

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Francis Ashe-Goins of Columbia, SC
Place of Employment: Choose Well SC
Current Title: Clinic Realitions Manager
Statement of Why Running For Office: I have a passion for women's health and have been engaged in this issue for more than 20 years. Retired from the federal government as the Deputy Director for Women’s Health and want to continue my work for the women and girls of South Carolina which is my birth home.

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Every two years the SCNA Annual Meeting is requested to review, amend and approve the SCNA Legislative Priorities for the upcoming two years. The two year number is used as the South Carolina General Assembly has a two year term for each full session of the Assembly. The current Legislative Priorities are below. Please read and think about any potential changes that you might like to see as you attend the Annual Meeting. As a courtesy to the Chair of the Annual Meeting, President Connie Varn and to the Annual Meeting attendees, please be certain that the presiding officer is aware of any proposed changes to the Legislative Priorities before the start of the meeting. Each suggestion/change must also be on an official SCNA Motion Form which will be available at the Annual Meeting.

**SCNA Legislative Priorities 2014-2016**

The South Carolina Nurses Association has among its purposes:

1. To promote the quality of life and health care for all people in South Carolina,
2. To foster the nursing profession as a leading, positive force in the health care delivery system

To achieve these broad purposes, the SCNA will provide leadership in the legislative and public policy arena.

To promote the quality of life and health care for all people in South Carolina, SCNA will:

1. Promote access to and delivery of safe, cost effective, quality health services for the public
2. Protect nursing care services to the public with emphasis in the licensed nurses’ roles as qualified providers of healthcare services

3. Support equal rights and opportunities for all peoples unrestricted by consideration of age, color, creed, disability, gender, health status, lifestyle, nationality, race, religion, or sexual orientation
4. Support legislation that promotes and protects environmental health in the home, at the worksite, in the community
5. Initiate and/or support legislation to assure comprehensive health care services to all people, especially vulnerable populations

To foster the nursing profession in its role as a provider, leader, and collaborator in the health care delivery system, SCNA will:

1. Initiate, monitor and respond to all activity which would affect the practice of nursing
2. Assure nursing participation in planning, development, and evaluation of policies related to health care
3. Support and protect the rights of nurses in the workplace
4. Initiate and support the procurement of public and private funding for nursing education and nursing research

**SCNA Election Eligibility Information**

For this election which is strictly for officers of SCNA all members of SCNA/ANA or SCNA Only will be eligible to vote for all offices for which they qualify according to information below.

In order to vote in the 2016 SCNA Election you must be a current member as of July 1, 2016 and meet the membership requirements for licensure found in the current SCNA and ANA Bylaws. The July 1st date was established based in the election beginning September 6, 2016. 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 September 6th therefore two (2) full months from the 1st of the month is July 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.

**2016 Election Process**

The 2016 SCNA Election will be via a mailed ballot to every eligible voter. Ballots should be received by September 6th and are due back to SCNA on or before October 4th to be included in the tally.

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An Evidence Update from Peer Assistance Program in Nursing (PAPIN)

Lucy Easler, MS RN NEA-BC
Julie Schroll, RN, BSN, OCN

An article by Diane Kunyk, Substance use disorders among registered nurses: prevalence, risks and perceptions in a disciplinary jurisdiction was recently published in the Journal of Nursing Management. This article is particularly relevant as substance abuse disorders (SUD) are among the most common transgressions against the nursing profession. Understanding the prevalence of SUD among nurses and its relationship with the disciplinary process is crucial. Kunyk’s study was conducted in a hospital setting in Canada, and the findings are applicable to registered nurses in other settings as well.

The study found that nurses with SUD face significant challenges, including challenges in their personal lives, work, and relationships. Nurses with SUD may experience a range of symptoms, including impaired judgment, decreased productivity, and increased medication errors. Nurses with SUD may also face disciplinary actions, such as suspension, revocation of license, or practice restrictions.

Furthermore, the study found that nurses with SUD are more likely to seek treatment and recovery compared to nurses without SUD. The study also found that nurses with SUD are more likely to have received training in addiction and substance abuse.

The study provides important insights into the relationship between substance abuse and nursing practice. It highlights the need for increased awareness and support for nurses with SUD. The findings suggest that nurses with SUD may face unique challenges and that addressing these challenges is crucial for maintaining nursing quality and patient safety.

In Memory of Pauline Alexandra Thompson
January 7, 1972 - April 10, 2016

COLUMBIA - She spread love. Pauline Alexandra Thompson, Polly to the world, was born on January 7, 1972 in Columbia, SC. Following a short illness she died in Columbia on April 10, 2016. Robert Smalls Thompson and Judith Thompson were delighted to have their beloved daughter Pauline (Polly) Thompson born on January 7, 1972.

Polly began her formal education in a series of pre-school experiences and Forest Lake Elementary School. Her family was privileged to move to China for the Historic Columbia Foundation and until Stephenson Center. Group room 5

The very essence of Polly was love. She loved her grandparents from whom she found so much support, and families. Polly was delighted to have her beloved cousins and her cousins’ children. She loved her cats, parents and grandparents, her aunts and uncles, her cousins and her cousins’ children. She loved her cats and her special neighbor dog. She loved her many friends in Columbia and around the world. She truly loved her home state and SC beaches, and Cincinnati, London, and Washington. Her travels included a trip to Russia in high school and many family or solo trips to Toronto, London, and numerous American cities. She loved the Gamecock teams. Reading, art, and music of all kinds were very special to her. She especially loved the music of several Columbia based bands. Because she so loved her family, she also loved her godparents, Robert Lee Oakman and Robin Hoge, Aaron Barrett and Stacey Kunyk.

Polly is survived by her parents; aunt and uncle, Jane and Michael Barrett Hoge; her cousins, Andrew and Robin Hoge, Aaron Barrett and Stacey Hoge and Katherine Hoge and Mitch Graff. She is also survived by her beloved children, Kathryn, Raegan and Owen who were special to their “Aunt Polly.” She is also survived by her godparents, Robert Lee Oakman and Elizabeth Werth Oakman, and their two sons and families. Polly was delighted to have her beloved grandchildren from whom she found so much support, inspiration, and joy as part of her life for many years.

Polly was a member of the P.E.O. International Sisterhood and a new Life Member of the Carolina Alumni Association. She had recently been a docent for the Historic Columbia Foundation and until January of this year she was the Secretary of the Shandon Neighborhood Council.

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SCNA Advocacy Fund

The SCNA Advocacy Fund is now two years old. This fund assists in covering costs of the advocacy work done by SCNA. Costs increase as opportunities for action increase. There are opportunities for advocacy in all areas of nursing practice.

All members of the SCNA Board of Directors have also been asked to contribute in addition to all the volunteer time that they provide for advocacy on behalf of the nursing profession. SCNA Chapter members have also been challenged to participate.

The Advocacy Fund augments the SCNA budgeted amounts that are needed for a variety of costs related to advocacy. Contributions may be made by anyone to SCNA. The Fund is not a tax-deductible item for individuals due to the fact that it will be used for advocacy and lobbying. Donations should be made using the information found on the SCNA website www.scnurses.org. Donations may be made by check or by credit card and can be paid monthly.

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### Message From Director Seat 2

Tami Nielson

The New Grad Advisory Council has been meeting monthly via tele conference to develop our plan on attracting new grads to the SCNA. I am excited about what the future holds! This fall, our team of new grads will be visiting campuses across the state to get our seniors excited about their new profession and joining the SCNA! We are also working on planning a special event for our new grads at convention! Stay tuned! If you would like to join the New Grad Advisory Council, please email me at taminielson@gmail.com and I would be happy to share with you more details!
South Carolina Nurses Association

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- Part time employed
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- RNs 66 years of age or older who are not earning more than social security allows without a loss of social security payments
- 66 years of age or and not employed
- Totally disabled
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SCFCNA Hosts Foundations Course

Faith Community Nursing, recognized by the American Nurses Association in collaboration with the Health Ministry Association, is a specialty of professional nursing practice focusing on the intentional care of the spirit as well as the promotion of wholistic health and prevention or minimization of illness within the faith community (ANA, 2012). Nursing in the faith community incorporates the whole person including mind, body, and spirit with an emphasis on the spiritual component and is identified as a calling for faith community incorporates the whole person within the faith community (ANA, 2012). Nursing in the faith community incorporates the whole person including mind, body, and spirit with an emphasis on the spiritual component and is identified as a calling for the faith community incorporates the whole person within the faith community (ANA, 2012).

There are currently five practice based Chapters:
- APRN Chapter
- Psychiatric-Mental Health Chapter
- Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL) Chapter
- Women and Children's Health Chapter
- Nurse Educator Chapter

SCFCNA State-Only Membership:
- $191.00 annually or $16.42 monthly

As a member of SCNA there are several options available to you to enhance your membership experience. SCNA has Chapters that are open to members of SCNA. You are welcome to join any of the chapters listed, think about creating others, or simply enjoy your state membership in SCNA. For more information about SCNA Chapters go to http://www.scnurses.org/SCNACHapters

See the Date

The SCFCNA is planning our Annual Conference to be held on July 29, 2016. Be sure to save this date and stay tuned for more information on registration. You may visit our website at www.scfcna.com for more information about the SCFCNA.

South Carolina Faith Community Nursing

There is currently one geographical Chapter:
- Piedmont Chapter (Spartanburg, Cherokee, Union, and York Counties)

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evaluate patient-care processes and models of care delivery.” Based upon this description, the assimilation and application of evidence-based information to design, implement, and patient preferences and values and nurse expertise (Sackett et al. 2000, as cited in Melnyk & Fineout-Overholt 2015). EBP consists of seven steps: Step 0: ignite a spirit of inquiry; it is clear that evidence-based practice (EBP) is at the core of the Clinical Nurse Leader Award.

Table 1. CNL Competency Essential 4 and Steps of the EBP Process

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<td>Implement strategies for encouraging a culture of inquiry within the healthcare delivery team.</td>
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<td>Facilitate the process of retrieval, appraisal, and synthesis of evidence in collaboration with healthcare team members, including patients, to improve care outcomes.</td>
<td>Step 1 – ask clinical questions</td>
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<td>Design care based on evidence to promote safe, timely, effective, efficient, equitable, and patient-centered care.</td>
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<td>Facilitate practice change based on best available evidence that results in quality, safety and fiscally responsible outcomes.</td>
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| Lead change initiatives to decrease or eliminate discrepancies between actual practices and identified standards of care. | Step 4 – integrate the evidence with clinical expertise and patient preferences and values |
| Disseminate changes in practice and improvements in care outcomes to internal and external audiences. | Step 5: Evaluate the outcomes of the practice decisions or changes based on evidence |
| Implement strategies for encouraging a culture of inquiry within the healthcare delivery team. | Step 6 – disseminate EBP results |

In October 2013, the AACN released its most current CNL Competencies. One of the competencies is found in Essential 4: Translating and Integrating Scholarship into Practice. Many of the requirements of Essential 4 mirror the steps of the EBP process (Table 1).
CONSUMER ALERT

It has been pointed out to the South Carolina Nurses Association staff that some nurses in South Carolina may have been sent a letter from a company for long-term care insurance that may have been mistaken for the insurance product that the South Carolina Nurses Association has endorsed for the past three years.

A careful look at the two letters below will show the major differences between the real letter from the South Carolina Nurses Association and the letter that was sent to South Carolina Nurses. Both advertise long term care insurance. Both are for nurses in South Carolina. Only one is endorsed by SCNA, on SCNA letterhead and signed by the current SCNA President. Only one provides a discount on the insurance for members.

The South Carolina Nurses Association is making no claims against the quality of the product represented by the letter that is not from SCNA. The purpose of this alert is to be certain that any of you who are interested in this very important insurance product are aware of a product that is being endorsed by SCNA so that you know that the association is standing behind the advertising of the product.

SCNA is proud of the quality of all of the products that it chooses to approve as being endorsed by SCNA. We have been glad to work with those of you who have called our Association staff that some nurses in South Carolina may have been sent a letter from a company for long term care insurance that may have been mistaken for the insurance product.

What types of nursing care does long-term care insurance cover?

It depends on the policy. Long-term care insurance (LTCI) policies define three levels of long-term care. Because some LTCI policies pay for only certain forms of care, it’s important to understand these definitions:

- Skilled care: Continuous round-the-clock care designed to treat a medical condition; it’s ordered by a doctor and administered by skilled medical workers (e.g., registered nurses, professional therapists) as part of an established treatment plan
- Intermediate care: Intermittent nursing and rehabilitative care provided by registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, and nurse’s aides under a doctor’s supervision
- Custodial care: Care designed to help the patient perform activities of daily living, such as bathing, dressing, or eating; it can be provided by someone without professional medical skills, but it’s supervised by a doctor

Most LTCI policies cover skilled, intermediate, and custodial care in licensed nursing homes. Some of these policies may limit or exclude additional settings for long-term care (e.g., home health care, assisted-living facilities).

To find out what type of care your LTCI policy covers and what facilities are approved to provide the care, be sure to read your policy carefully.

Isn’t estate planning only for the rich?

In a word, no. Estate planning allows you or anyone to implement certain tools now to ensure that your concerns and goals are fulfilled after you die. Your objective may be to simply make sure that your loved ones are provided for. Or you may have more complex goals, such as avoiding probate or reducing estate taxes.

Estate planning can be as simple as implementing a will (the cornerstone of any estate plan) and purchasing Long-term care insurance (LTCI) policies. Because some LTCI policies pay for only certain forms of care, it’s important to understand what is set to be certain that any of you who are interested in this very important insurance product are aware of a product that is being endorsed by SCNA so that you know that the association is standing behind the advertising of the product.

Opportunity for Trip To Cuba

Please see the information below for a trip to Cuba that is designed to be one that nurses might especially enjoy. Contact Trudi McFarland For any questions.


Leader Contact Information: Trudi McFarland
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Retirement Q&A

To find out what type of care your LTCI policy covers and what facilities are approved to provide the care, be sure to read your policy carefully.

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In 2010, the Institute of Medicine (IOM) released its landmark report, *The Future of Nursing: Leading Change, Advancing Health*, which recommended increasing the number of nurse leaders in pivotal decision-making roles on boards and commissions that work to improve the health of everyone in America. Nurse leaders bring a unique set of skills to the board room such as: knowledge of the healthcare environment, finance and budgeting skills, communication and collaboration experience, quality and process improvement evaluation, strategic planning, and management to name a few.

Building a healthier community in America requires the involvement of more nurses on corporate, health-related, and other boards, panels, and commissions. Uniting to accomplish this goal, the Center to Champion Nursing in America, the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, and 21 national nursing organizations collaborated to form The Nurses on Boards Coalition (NOBC). As a coalition, the aim is to recruit and engage nurses to step into leadership roles on boards, panels or commissions.

The NOBC primary goal is to ensure that at least 10,000 nurses are on boards by 2020. In doing that, they plan to raise awareness that all boards would benefit from the unique perspective of nurses in achieving the goals of improved health in the United States.

For more information on the NOBC and to have your efforts in board leadership be recognized and counted, visit: www.nursesonboardscoalition.org or contact Susan Outen (The SC One Voice One Plan Action Coalition) outen@mailbox.sc.edu.
The Palmetto Gold Nurse Recognition and Scholarship Program Announces the 2016 Recipients

The Palmetto Gold Steering Committee and all affiliates would like to congratulate the 2016 Palmetto Gold recipients. The 100 recipients received formal recognition during the April 16, 2016 fifteenth annual celebratory Gala. The night was filled with joyous reception and elegance as each recipient was recognized individually. The 2016 Palmetto Gold Scholarship winners were recognized during the celebration as well. The 100 Palmetto Gold Recipients are:

Denise Allison  Kahlil Demonbreun  Amanda Sara James  My Nguyen
Benjamin Amberg  Amber Dewberry  Heather Jennings  Kristin Buffkin Norris
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Courtney Askins  Constance Duke  Brittnay Shea Jones  Amber Privett
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Kevin Busby  Dee Angela Hanno  Beth Marion  Vanessa Thompson
Suzanne Camp  Melissa Haynie  Catherine (Kate) McBride  Vincencia Trowell
Angela M. Campbell  Patricia Headly  Kimberly McCracken  JoAnne Annell Ulmer
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Andrea Coyle  Chuck Horton  DeAnne K. Hilfinger Messias  Michael Blake Wilson
Natasha Tiomia Davis  Ashley Hudson  Karen Moring  Judith Woolcock

This notice is for all who have a brick or bricks in the SCNA “I Am A Nurse” walkway. SCNA is in the process of planning for the future. This includes selling the current SCNA headquarters building and moving to other quarters in the coming months. Therefore, we would like to offer all of you who have a brick in the walkway the opportunity to come to Columbia to remove your brick and take it home or wherever else you might like to have it. We will be taking mine to our backyard as part of a small brick edging.

We regret that we are unable to mail bricks to people. If anyone of you will be attending the Convention and Annual Meeting in October, we could arrange to take the brick with us to that event for you.

Our plan has always been to have the bricks go with us for future display. We thought that this option might be one that would appeal to some of you, since we have no idea when or how that future display will be accomplished at this moment. We shall plan to move the bricks when we move and they might have to be in storage for some time until we are settled once again. Let us know what you would like to do.

Written by the Palmetto Gold Steering Committee
MISSON OF THE BOARD OF NURSING
The mission of the South Carolina Board of Nursing is to protect the public health, safety, and welfare by ensuring that nurses provide safe and competent nursing care.

ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE REGISTRATION AND LICENSURE
The Board has approved revisions to Advisory Opinions #33 and #50 respectively, at its March 2016 meeting. Advisory Opinions can be found on the Board’s website at www.lrl.state.sc.us/POL/Nursing/index.asp?file=AdvisorOp/advisorop.htm.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON NURSING EDUCATION
The Advisory Committee on Nursing Education (ACONE) assists the Board with planning for nursing education. ACONE meets quarterly on the first Friday in February, May, August and November each year. There are currently positions open for one BSN Educator Representative, one ADN Educator Representative and one Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse (LPN/VN) Representative.

ATTENTION APRNs
You must notify the Board of your APRN certification, re-certification or certification renewal.

BOARD VACANCIES
There is currently one vacancy 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 of a vacating member of the Governor.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED
The Nomination Form for vacancies on the Advanced Practice Committee, Nursing Practice and Standards Committee and the Advisory Committee on Nursing Education is available on the Board’s website at www.lrl.state.sc.us/POL/nursing under Application Forms.

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There is one vacancy for a Licensed Practical Nurse representative from the state at large. An individual, group or organization 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 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.

**HOW CAN I CHECK A LICENSE?**

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

1. **SC Licensee Lookup** - Go to [https://verify.llronline.com/LicLookup/Nurse/Nurse.aspx?div=17](https://verify.llronline.com/LicLookup/Nurse/Nurse.aspx?div=17). 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, license type, date issued/expired, license status, and whether the license is multi-state or single-state.

2. **Nursys QuickConfirm** - Go to [https://www.nursys.com](https://www.nursys.com) 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: AK, AZ, CA, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, ID, IA, KY, LA, ME, MD, MA, MN, MS, NE, NH, NJ, NM, NC, ND, OH, OR, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA, WV, WI, WY, DC, and PR.

3. **Other States** - Most states have licensee lookup/licensure verification services available on their websites. Links to Boards of nursing can be found at [www.nosn.org](https://www.nosn.org).

You may check for discipline against a South Carolina nursing license on the Board’s website under Board Orders at [www.llr.sc.gov/pol/nursing/](http://www.llr.sc.gov/pol/nursing/).

**CHANGING YOUR NAME ON YOUR 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 LLR – Board of Nursing, P O Box 13392, Columbia, SC 29211-2367. You may verify that your name change request has been processed within five business days of receipt in Board offices and will be reflected on Licensee Lookup within five business days of receipt in Board offices. 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 who will she use Jane Ann 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 the Board’s website (llr.sc.gov/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.”

**HAVING YOU MOVED?**

Section 40-33-38(B) 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 discipline. You may change your address online utilizing the address change form under Online Services found on the Board’s website.

**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.

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**SOUTH CAROLINA BOARD OF NURSING CONTACT INFORMATION**

Main Telephone Line (803) 896-4550
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General Email NurseBoard@llr.sc.gov
Website [llr.sc.gov/pol/nursing](http://llr.sc.gov/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 – llr.sc.gov, 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 29211-2037.

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**

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**VISIT THE BOARD WEBSITE OFTEN**

The Board recommends all nurses licensed by or working in South Carolina visit its website ([llr.sc.gov/pol/](http://llr.sc.gov/pol/)) for up-to-date information on nursing licensure in South Carolina. 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, Position Statements, Licensure Applications, Continued Competency Requirements/Criteria, Application Status, Licensee Lookup, Disciplinary Actions, and other helpful information. The Nurse Practice Act, Regulations, Advisory Opinions and Position Statements are located under Laws/Policies. The Competency Requirement and Competency Requirement Criteria, which includes continuing education contact hours, are located under Licensure. You will also find the Board Meeting calendar, agendas, minutes and Board Member names and the area they represent. The Board hopes you will find this information useful in your nursing practice.

**Board of Nursing Meeting Calendar for 2016**

Board and Committee meeting agendas are posted on the Board’s website at least 24 hours prior to meeting.

- **Board of Nursing Meeting**
  - July 28 - 29, 2016
  - September 29 - 30, 2016
  - November 17 - 18, 2016

- **Advanced Practice Committee**
  - August 5, 2016
  - November 4, 2016

- **Advisory Committee on Nursing**
  - August 30, 2016
  - October 18, 2016
  - December 6, 2016

- **Nursing Practice & Standards Committee**
  - July 14, 2016
  - October 13, 2016

**Designated 2016 State Holidays**

- **Golden Palmetto Day**
  - July 4, 2016
- **Labor Day**
  - September 5, 2016
- **Veterans Day**
  - November 11, 2016
- **Thanksgiving Day**
  - November 24, 2016
- **Day after Thanksgiving**
  - November 25, 2016
- **Christmas Eve**
  - December 24, 2016
- **Christmas Day**
  - December 25, 2016
- **Day after Christmas (Expected Observance)**
  - December 27, 2016

**2 LARGE INDOOR WATER PARKS**

- 1, 2, 3 or 4 BEDROOM CONDOS
- FULL-SERVICE RESORT

*Some restrictions apply.*
Columbia College announces a new 100% online RN to BSN nursing program beginning Fall of 2016. Eligible students must have an Associate’s Degree in nursing from a recognized Institution¹, must have passed the NCLEX examination, and currently hold an unencumbered license to practice. Columbia College’s Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree will require a total of 127 hours of undergraduate courses (inclusive of ADN transfer credits up to 72 hours, and 30 hours of core nursing courses in the BSN program and electives), all of which are offered online.²

The Bachelor’s program can be completed in 20 months. Courses will begin every five weeks. All course content is available on the laptop provided by Columbia College after your enrollment. The curriculum aligns with the Nine Essentials of Baccalaureate Education for Professional Nursing Practice required by the American Association of Colleges of Nursing, and the key nursing principles and learning outcomes promulgated by national accreditation organizations, including the commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) and the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN).

The process is easy, APPLY ONLINE TODAY! We will take care of the rest, including ordering your transcripts.

¹ Candidates with a Diploma Program RN may apply and will be evaluated on a case by case basis.
² Approval from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACCOC) regional accrediting board is currently pending, and the College intends to seek CCNE accreditation.