A Message from the President

Thank you – two small words with such meaning! "Thank you" is what I’m expressing to each of you who are members of MNA. Thank you for supporting your profession by being a member of an organization that has supported all registered nurses for over 100 years. MNA advocates and lobbies for registered nurses and advanced practice registered nurses across all roles and certifications! Thank you for supporting MNA!

Thank you to those of you who have encouraged your colleagues to join with MNA. Our recent Summer Membership Drive was a great success with over 60 new members added to the many already supporting MNA. Thank you for taking the time to contact your colleagues and provide them information on the many benefits of being a member of MNA. MNA serves as The Voice of all registered nurses! Thank you for making our Voice louder!

Thank you to those of you who have attended our continuing education events! We are committed to meeting your needs by providing easy access to continuing education opportunities where you live and work. I think if you look at the list of sites where we have had events and those slated for the upcoming months, you’ll see we are serious about this focus. These events are made possible by your enthusiasm and willingness to participate. We create these events based on the feedback we receive from attendees, so please let us know if you have a suggestion for a topic/event! Thank you for your support of our CE events!

Thank you to those of you who have volunteered to present at our seminars, conferences and other events! The expertise and knowledge of Mississippi nurses is awe-inspiring. Mississippi boasts nurses who are recognized state-wide, nationally and internationally! To our speakers, thank you for taking the time from your busy schedules to join us; we are truly honored!

Thank you for serving as a nurse mentor! As I’ve mentioned before, I have a love for mentoring. I’ve benefitted from those who took the time to share their knowledge and advice. I hope that I’m providing that same benefit to others today. MNA is fortunate to have numerous nurses dedicated to nurturing and supporting their colleagues. When we gravitate to others in the profession and enjoy fostering stronger relationships, the entire nursing profession benefits. Thank you for your willingness to share your insights with your colleagues and develop the next wave of nurse leaders.

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Thank you for your perseverance and your readiness to not only accept change – but to improve on it! "Thank you" is one of Walt Disney’s favorite quotes. So many of you accomplish the impossible every day! Thank you for your perseverance and your readiness to not only accept change – but to improve on it!

Thank you for being dedicated nurses who are positive role models and inspiring representatives of the nursing profession!

Roaring Into A Culture of Health: Our Vision…Our Voice

Amber Arnold, DNP, MSN, BSN  
Director, Council on Organizational Affairs

Wait ‘til you see what we have in store for this year’s Annual Convention! This year’s theme “Roaring Into A Culture of Health…Our Vision…Our Voice” exemplifies our profession’s dedication and zest for tackling ever more complex responsibilities and illnesses. It also provides us a fun-filled time with a “Roaring 1920s” glitz, glamour, and vintage gear style! Ladies, get your pearls and jazzy jewelry ready. Gentlemen, get your snappy bow ties and funky fedora’s out (and yes, you can wear them with your business casual clothes)! Don’t worry—if you are short on any of those, we’ll have you covered!

Be sure to spend some time at the expanded poster presentation where you can have one-on-one conversations with presenters. Thank you to John Hodnett, Director of Council on Nursing Research, for ensuring that we have an opportunity to learn more from our profession’s researchers!

I sincerely appreciate all the support from the Convention Planning Committee, chaired by Dr. Teresa Stanford. I would also like to thank Dr. Deloris Slade, Director of Nursing Education, Marilyn Ellis, Chair of the Provider Unit Committee, and all the members of the Committee for ensuring that we have dynamic speakers addressing the trending topics in the nursing profession!

Please join us at the MNA Annual Convention! You don’t want to miss out on the excitement!
EVENT | WHERE & WHEN
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NRCME/FMCSA DOT Medical Examiner Course | Mississippi Center for Nursing - Madison, MS September 16, 2016
2016 Annual Convention | MS Coast Coliseum & Convention Center Biloxi, MS October 18-21, 2016
NRCME/FMCSA DOT Medical Examiner Course | North MS Medical Center - Tupelo, MS November 11, 2016
Pharmacology of Controlled Substances Workshop | Mississippi Center for Nursing - Madison, MS December 2016
Lobby Day at the Capitol | Mississippi State Capitol - Jackson, MS January 25, 2017
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APRN Spring Conference | April 2017

TOUR DATES

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September 16, 2016
October 18-21, 2016
November 11, 2016
March 9-17, 2017
March 20, 2017

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Executive Director's Column

A Time to Shine
Roaring Into A Culture of Health, Our Vision...Our Voice

Teresa Malone, Executive Director

Get ready to shine - because this year's MNA Annual Convention, “Roaring Into A Culture of Health, Our Vision...Our Voice” will spotlight the nursing profession’s impact on creating a culture of health while ensuring you have plenty of fun along the way with a 1920’s twist. I bet you are already digging out those pearls, fedoras, favorite bow ties, and, of course, ritz-glitzy baubles and flashy suspenders. Feel free to wear your favorites during the Convention!

The Provider Unit has once again ensured that you have an opportunity to select from a variety of sessions addressing the latest evidence-based practice information and trending topics in healthcare. The Razzle Dazzle Research Roundtable will host some of our state’s premier researchers. Attendees may also elect to register for numerous hands-on workshops. Back by popular demand, the Advanced Practice Conference will encompass Thursday and Friday. As always, sessions are reflective of MNA’s support for and dedication to all registered nurses and advanced practice nurses across all roles and specialties.

Our Pre-Convention sessions on Tuesday, October 18th will focus on a series of presentations. Our Active Shooter Preparedness Session presented by Michael Street and his specialized team will provide useful information and training to encourage you to implement the information and techniques taught during this extensive session. Instructors will teach you to be more prepared, and provide you with a ready-to-execute safety measures and maneuvers that can save your life. Our second session will be presented by K.C. Arnold, ANP, BC-ADM, and will focus on the Effects of Tobacco for the Diabetic Patient. This information and training is important to all our communities and can benefit those at risk.

Networking events with exhibitors and colleagues are a much-anticipated part of Convention; in 1920's speak, these events are the “bee’s knees.” The Convention boasts two receptions. William Carey University will host a reception at the Biloxi Convention Center Tuesday evening and on Wednesday evening, the University of Mississippi Nursing Alumni Chapter’s Nursing Alumni and Friends Reception will be held at The Redding House in Biloxi. We extend our appreciation to these friends of nursing for providing plenty of time to network with the numerous exhibitors at the “Lollapalooza” Exhibitors Expo while being amazed at exhibitors’ creative vision of our Convention theme. Continue the fun and keep the 1920’s vibe going by attending our spectacular Duke’s Jazz Club, named after the great “Duke” Ellington. Be a “Big Cheese” and get your ticket early. You don’t want to miss this “swell” and “swanky” event.

From start to finish, this year’s Convention is a Must Attend, Must See, and Must Experience! We’ll see you in Biloxi!

You Think Safety First for Patients-Think Safety First for You

Michael Street, Owner, S.E.R.T.

Nurses are continuously thinking about the safety of their patients. Are you thinking about your safety on a day-to-day basis? Do you practice good situational awareness? Are you cognizant of the norms in the various settings in which you work and travel? Can you locate exits quickly when you enter a building? Do you know how to defend yourself in an active shooter scenario?

Situational Awareness - A Must for Your Survival

In today’s society everyone is in a busy state of existence. Nurses’ lives have become more hectic and technology has increased forcing you into a fast-paced lifestyle. Regardless of where you are—work, shopping, leisure activities—it is vital to your survival, as well as the survival of your loved ones, that you understand and practice good situational awareness. Unfortunately, predators have become a norm in our society; therefore, you must practice good situational awareness at all times.

Retired Col. Jeff Cooper developed the color codes of life to best express how we should live from day-to-day. Looking at the chart, it is understood that all of us no matter where we are should remain in the yellow mode. We must remain alert to our surroundings and be alert to the changes in our environment. What are the people doing in the scene before me and what are their actions telling me? Staying vigilant will allow us to recognize dangers that present themselves in my immediate area.

You Must Establish Norms In Your Life

You will be able to establish norms of life as you carry out your daily activities at work or in other settings. When you are at work, you will begin to recognize things that are out of place or just don’t seem to be right. Persons around you and their behaviors will become a guide for you to determine potential issues in their life or changes in their behavior. As an alert member of our society, it is your duty to question these changes/actions/things that seem to be outside the normal parameters of daily life. You should not dismiss these changes in behaviors, no matter how minor.

Know Where All Your Exits Are

Wherever you are, always know the location(s) of the nearest exit(s). When you enter a building, the first thing you should do is look for exit signs and make mental notes of them. Should a threat to your safety exist, you want to get as far away from the threat as possible and that requires using the exit to get out of the building as quickly as possible.

Predicate Determine Items of Defense/Weapons

When you will be in a location for an extended period of time, look around and decide what is available to you that can be used as an item of defense/weapon to defend yourself should the need arise. Also be aware of items that can be used to barricade the entrance into the room in which you are located should shelter in place be warranted.

Michael S. Street will present Active Shooter Preparedness: You Make the Difference. Michael Street will present on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at the Biloxi Convention Center. Instructors will provide information and allow you to practice easy-to-execute maneuvers that may save your life. Entertaining and engaging, Michael doesn’t want to make you a SW.A.T. team member, he just wants you to be prepared! Register early, as space is limited.

Cooper’s Color Codes

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<td>Prepared, alert and relaxed. Good situational awareness.</td>
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<td>Specific alert to probable danger. Ready to take action.</td>
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<td>RED</td>
<td>Action Mode. Totally committed to the emergency at hand.</td>
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For LPNs & RNs, a minimum of 1 yr med surge, long term care, nursing home, or emergency room experience. For NPs, a minimum of 1 year of family practice, internal medicine or mental health experience. Valid MS license; valid TB certification (LPN & RN); valid BLS; correctional experience a plus, but not required. Competitive salary and benefits. Please forward resumes to stthomas@correctionamed.com.
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Nurse practitioners begin their careers as registered nurses and through further academic education and clinical training, obtain the knowledge and competency to provide health care autonomously for diverse populations in a variety of settings. A graduate degree and national certification are required for entry-level practice. As part of their scope of practice, nurse practitioners assess patients, order and interpret diagnostic tests, make diagnoses and initiate and manage treatment plans, which includes prescribing medications and other treatments. Unfortunately, we are still struggling to practice to our fullest scope of education and training. We must overcome unfounded biases of those that opine: NPs need physician oversight; NPs care is not safe; and NPs can work in teams as long as the team is led by a physician. A plethora of research refutes these misconceptions. In fact, research demonstrates that nurse practitioners provide quality health care and offer patients a comprehensive understanding of their health care needs. This has led to an excellent track record of patient satisfaction. Over 56 percent of adults nationally report that nurse practitioners spend more time listening to them and addressing their concerns as compared to physicians.

Nurse practitioners are licensed in all states and the District of Columbia and practice under the laws of the state in which they are licensed. In 21 states and the District of Columbia, patients have full and direct access to nurse practitioners, providing patient control of their health care and leading the way to better health care access. This model of regulation of nurse practitioners is known as Full Practice Authority. Research has demonstrated that states with Full Practice Authority have better health outcomes and are ranked higher on the Commonwealth Fund Score Card than those with reduced access to care. The remainder of states, which includes Mississippi, reduce or restrict patient access to health care services as a result of outdated nurse practitioner licensure laws. The vast majority of health consumers, 2 out of 3 patients, support policies and legislation that remove barriers to nurse practitioners’ practice.

Nurse practitioners envision that every patient should have access to high-quality health care, delivered by the provider of their choice. Mississippi faces the challenges of an aging population, rising health care costs, and the growing burden of chronic disease. We rank among the states with the highest incidence of stroke, heart disease, diabetes, hypertension, and obesity. Nurse practitioners bring strength to the health care workforce and maximize our health care system’s potential.

Our policymakers play a vital role in ensuring patients have direct access to the full range of nurse practitioner services. Mississippi law requires a regulated collaborative agreement with an outside health discipline in order for the nurse practitioner to provide patient care, and limits the setting or scope of one or more elements of nurse practitioner practice. We must all work together to change our current environment. We are fortunate that our support at the Mississippi Legislature is growing and we express our appreciation to all members who have supported our bills and attended our events. We also recognize that our Congressmen are sponsoring bills that provide for nurse practitioners to function to their fullest scope of practice in providing patient care. We thank them for their support.

As nurse practitioners, we must prepare for changing times. Many practice transformations are taking place and we must become familiar with these as well as reimbursement. The Transforming Clinical Practice Initiative and the National Nurse Led Care Consortium are great resources for nurse practitioners. I encourage you to stay abreast of the changes in your profession and to join with us as we continue to work for full practice authority and improved access to care for the patients of Mississippi.

The facts listed above were taken from the American Association of Nurse Practitioners State Policymaker Guide and Web site.
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Mississippi Nurses Foundation Awards $108,000 Through NURSES TOUCH LIVES Car Tag Program

The Mississippi Nurses Foundation recently awarded $108,000 in stipends. Stipend funds were raised through the State of Mississippi Nurses Car Tag Program - Nurses Touch Lives and made available to registered nurses and nursing students enrolled in an accredited Associate, Baccalaureate, Master’s or Doctoral Nursing Program in Mississippi.

After a thorough review of applications, 18 recipients were chosen. As full-time students, the recipients will be awarded a total of $6,000 to be received in increments of $500 each month for 12 months beginning in August, 2016 through July, 2017. Recipients are required to sign a contract with the Mississippi Nurses Foundation to work as a full time Nurse in Mississippi within the first two years following completion of the program.

The 2016-2017 Stipend Recipients are as follows:

**Associate Program**
- Amber Frye, Alcorn State University
- Jennifer Kennedy, Northeast Mississippi Community College
- Brittany Lee, Jones County Junior College

**Baccalaureate Program**
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- Elizabeth Foresman, University of Mississippi Medical Center
- Macie McQuage, Mississippi University for Women
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MNF Leadership Institute

ATTENTION: ALL Mississippi Nurses Foundation Leadership Institute participants:

Mark your calendar for the upcoming meeting.

Session 5: Tuesday, September 27, 2016
Leadership Round-up and Engagement
Contact Kasey Dorr at: kdorr@msnurses.org
for more info.

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Mississippi Nurses Foundation

ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION
October 19-21, 2016
Mississippi Coast Coliseum & Convention Center

Please support MNF Annual Silent Auction with a GIFT or an EXPERIENCE!!!

Come join the fun at MNF’s Annual Silent Auction! Presented by the Mississippi Nurses Foundation, during MNA’s Annual Convention. The Silent Auction features a multitude of items, gifts and collectibles donated by MNA members and MNF supporters. This is a great opportunity to network with other participants at the Convention, and you might take home a great item for yourself or a friend. MNF is accepting donations now through the morning of Wednesday, October 19th. Please contact LaGina Walker at lwalker@msnurses.org for more info.

OUR GOAL IS TO RAISE $10,000
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Mississippi Nurses Foundation
Awards $108,000 Through NURSES TOUCH LIVES Car Tag Program

The Mississippi Nurses Foundation recently awarded $108,000 in stipends. Stipend funds were raised through the State of Mississippi Nurses Car Tag Program - Nurses Touch Lives and made available to registered nurses and nursing students enrolled in an accredited Associate, Baccalaureate, Master’s or Doctoral Nursing Program in Mississippi.

After a thorough review of applications, 18 recipients were chosen. As full-time students, the recipients will be awarded a total of $6,000 to be received in increments of $500 each month for 12 months beginning in August, 2016 through July, 2017. Recipients are required to sign a contract with the Mississippi Nurses Foundation to work as a full time Nurse in Mississippi within the first two years following completion of the program.

The 2016-2017 Stipend Recipients are as follows:

**Associate Program**
- Amber Frye, Alcorn State University
- Jennifer Kennedy, Northeast Mississippi Community College
- Brittany Lee, Jones County Junior College

**Baccalaureate Program**
- Kaitlyn Carey, Mississippi College
- Elizabeth Foresman, University of Mississippi Medical Center
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NURSE MADE IN MISSISSIPPI

T-SHIRTS
$15 or 2 for $25

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Congratulations to Dr. Melissa King for her abstract and poster entitled “Advanced Practice Providers (APP) Impact Throughput and Quality in an Adult Emergency Department ED” being accepted for presentation at The Joanna Briggs Institute’s (JBI) 20th Anniversary Conference in Adelaide, Australia. JBI is the international not-for-profit, research, and development centre within the Faculty of Health Science at the University of Adelaide, South Australia. JBI collaborates internationally with over 70 entities in the world, and The University of Mississippi Medical Center is one of these entities. The institute supports evidence through identifying meaningful, effective, and evidence-based healthcare practices that improve healthcare outcomes globally. This is the first poster presentation that has been accepted from Mississippi utilizing quantitative outcome measures to identify the significant impact nurse practitioner practices have on quality emergency care and emergency department throughput.

The Mississippi Nurses’ Association Congratulates Nurse Practitioners and Advocates who were Honored at the AANP 2016 National Conference

Pictured above: Dr. Linda Watkins (MNA Director of Council on Advanced Practice and AANP State Representative); Dr. Lisa Byrd (Fellows of the American Association of Nurse Practitioners Inductee); Dr. Johnnie Sue Wijewardane (Fellows of the American Association of Nurse Practitioners Inductee); Teresa Malone (MNA Executive Director); Dr. Cindy Luther (AANP Fellow)

Pictured above: Christie Robbins (recipient of AANP 2016 State Award for Nurse Practitioner Excellence); Dr. Linda Watkins (MNA Director of Council on Advanced Practice and AANP State Representative); Representative Doug McLeod (recipient of AANP 2016 State Award for Nurse Practitioner Advocate)

FREE Online CE Activity

As a nurse, you make a difference every day…

Some of your youngest patients—babies younger than 1 year of age—are at risk for Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) and other sleep-related causes of infant death. But you can help reduce that risk.

Take our free continuing education (CE) activity to learn how to teach parents and caregivers about keeping their babies safe and healthy so they can grow up to make a difference—just like you.

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The CE activity explains safe infant sleep recommendations from the American Academy of Pediatrics and is approved by the Maryland Nurses Association, an accredited approver of the American Nurses Credentialing Center’s Commission on Accreditation.
Have you ever wondered about the right way to show appreciation to someone who has had a significant influence in your personal or professional life? The Mississippi Nurses Foundation provides a great opportunity for you to pay tribute to someone or an organization through our “IN HONOR” or “IN MEMORY” BRICK GARDEN. This opportunity allows you to purchase a brick “In Honor” or “In Memory” of someone who has significantly impacted your personal or professional life. Your brick will be engraved with your choice of text and placed in the Mary E. Stainton Center for Nursing Garden located at the Mississippi Center for Nursing in Madison, MS. When you purchase your brick, an acknowledgement will be sent to the person, family, or organization designated. The amount will not be disclosed.

Every two years, during Nurses Week, the Mississippi Nurses Foundation hosts a Brick Dedication Ceremony in the Mary E. Stainton Center for Nursing Garden to recognize all those being honored. Everyone who purchases a brick and all the honorees (or their families) will receive an invitation to the dedication. Every nurse and nursing organization in Mississippi deserves to be honored with an engraved brick that shows appreciation of their contribution to your life.

What an amazing way to say “Thank you!”

(If you fill out the form below, tear it off and mail it in along with your payment)

$500 8” x 8” engraved brick (7 lines of type) placed in the garden.

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notice of House of delegates Meeting

The Mississippi Nurses’ Association’s House of Delegates will convene on Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. at the MS Coast Coliseum & Convention Center, Biloxi, MS.

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Please tell us who recruited you to join MNA:

First Name: Middle Name: Last Name: Birth Date: City, State, Zip: Home phone: Work phone: Email Address: Home: Work: Work Email Address: Graduation Date:

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Select Membership Type: Annual Monthly RN DUES: $198.00 C$324.61 ADVANCED PRACTICE DUES: $169.00 C$322.66 Reduced DUES: ☐ Full-time graduate student (include proof of 9 HRS minimum and graduation date) ☐ Not employed ☐ New graduate from basic nursing education program within six months of RN license (per year only) ☐ 62 years of age or older and not earning more than Social Security Allowance ☐ RN REDUCED DUES: $144.00 C$257.11 ADVANCED PRACTICE REDUCED DUES: $194.00 C$371.28 SPECIAL DUES: ☐ 62 years of age or older and not employed ☐ Totally disabled ☐ RN SPECIAL DUES: $97.00 C$190.11 ADVANCE PRACTICE SPECIAL DUES: $132.00 C$263.19 Select Annual or Monthly Payment Preference ☐ I want to make one S/A ANNUAL payment by: ☐ Check ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express

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We encourage you to refer your diabetic patients to the Mississippi State Department of Health’s **FREEDOM** program today. [Call 844-367-2566 or visit HealthyMS.com/Freedom for more information](http://HealthyMS.com/Freedom). Your patients will be very glad you did.

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