

NNA News You Can Use

2010 NNA State Board Retreat

The NNA State Board Retreat was held on January 23-24 in Las Vegas at the home of NNA President, Tracy Singh. The Board made a number of important decisions, including:

1. Revision of NNA Districts.
2. Plan for Student Nurse Competition.
3. Formation of an NNA Special Practice Group for New Nurses.
4. Reactivation and revitalization of many NNA committees. If you have an interest in becoming more involved in NNA activities, now is a great time to volunteer for one of the committees, including Legislative, Membership, Continuing Education, Social and Community Service, Nominations, Finance, Editorial Board, and Bylaws. For more information on how to join, email nvnursesassn@mvqn.net.
5. The NNA website is being revised and expanded and will now contain a members only section.

News You Can Use Format to Change

Starting in March, News You Can Use will have a new look and a different email return address as NNA starts to use Constant Connect for our member emails. We hope that this service will be smoother for you and that more of the emails we send will reach you. Your feedback about the new email service will be appreciated.

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A Nurse Reports on Haiti

Pat Van Betten submitted this link to an account by a nurse from her home town who went to Haiti in January.

<http://news.nurse.com/article/20100213/HAITI05/100212006/-1/frontpage>

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Congratulations to
Matt Khan
New NNA APN SPG
Northern Co-Chair

Register Now!

The NNA District 1 2010 Conference, *Empowering Nurses Today & Tomorrow*, is coming up on March 19, 2010. The one-day conference will feature a keynote address by a speaker from Washington DC on the future of Health Care Reform and the implications for Nevada. Breakout sessions will be held on important nursing topics.

Details and conference schedule available at <http://www.nvnurses.org/events/2010/dist1conventionbrochure.pdf>

In Brief

NNA on the web...

- NNA Press release on MAs
- NNA Press release on Health Care Reform

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- **The International Women's Day 2010 Scholarship fundraiser** will be held Sunday, March 7, 2010, at the Siena Hotel Spa Casino from 12-3 p.m. Call or email Donna at (775) 240-2745 or donnanorm1@yahoo.com for details.
- The draft of the 2010 edition of Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice is now available for public comment. Please distribute to your nursing contacts to have them read and react to this draft. The public comment period will be open until 5 pm Friday, March 12, 2010. After that, ANA will be unable to incorporate comments, so it is very important that all interested parties take this opportunity to comment. ANA provides information in this document on the scope of practice for all registered nurses, as well as the standards to which they as practicing professionals are held. This document represents one of the three foundational documents for nursing practice, and this draft has undergone revision by a group of nurse experts from the previous 2004 edition. There have been some significant changes, including the incorporation of competency statements in the place of measurement criteria under the standards section, and an expanded list of standards of practice. The document and instructions for providing comment are available on this link to the ANA website, <http://www.nursingworld.org/HomepageCategory/NursingInsider/Public-Comment-Nursing-Scope-Standards.aspx>
- The CDC announced the recent release of comprehensive clinical care guidelines for management of Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy. The Guidelines are available at <http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/duchenne/documents/Lancet-Neuro-online.pdf>
- Shelley Burdette-Taylor, RN-BC, MSN, CWCN, CFCN, PhD, will present Board Prep for Foot and Nail Care Nurse (with emphasis on lower extremity) March 20, 2010, in Reno. Call Shelley at 858-663-4150 for more information.
- View the latest important FDA Alerts and recalls at [MedWatch](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch).
- The date for Nurses Appreciation Night at the Reno Bighorns basketball has been changed. This event, featuring recognition of Nurses of Achievement honoree and NNA scholarship recipients, basketball game between 2 competing nursing organizations prior to the Bighorns game, and a halftime medical emergency demonstration, has been changed to Saturday, 3/27/10. Contact Aaron Hubbard or Mark Drake at (775) 284-2622 or email aaron@renobighorns.com or mark@renobighorns.com for ticket information.
- The University of Nevada Las Vegas School of Medicine will offer Advanced Life Support in Obstetrics Provider Course (April 13-14) and Instructor Course (April 15) at the Orleans Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas. For more information, visit <http://www.aafp.org/online/en/home/cme/aafpcourses/clinicalcourses/also.html>

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