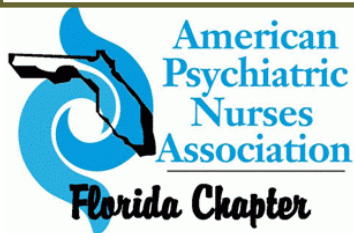
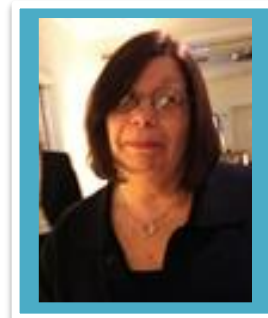


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APNA Florida Chapter



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Greetings APNA Florida Chapter members, March is around the corner. The APNA's Florida Chapter Spring Educational Conference is around the corner also. **Saturday March 25th**, 2017, APNA Florida Chapter will be presenting a great educational experience that will cover items from the lifespan of Psychiatric Practice. We are hoping for 6.5 to 7 Credit hours for the Conference from APNA National office. I am hoping to see many of you there. Registration is open and can be found in this newsletter.

Diane Esposito PhD, Florida Chapter Member-at-Large, and I just came back from Falls Church Virginia where the National APNA office resides. We spent the day with the APNA National Board; members of the Councils; other chapter leaders and the national office staff. Our current National President Kris A. McLoughin has challenged all of us; individually and as members of the Chapter to discuss, brainstorm and see how we can assist in elevating the importance of Mental Health. Kris is asking for a shift our perceptions and to start to think: **"Whole Health Begins with Mental Health"**. Think about how we as Psychiatric Mental Health Nurses can bring about positive changes to move Mental Health to the forefront as the "Whole Health begins with Mental Health" paradigm shift for the future. I would love to hear from you about your ideas so they can be compiled and shared. We can look at initiatives we can do in our communities to educate, advocate and bring about awareness of the importance of Mental Health in our local communities.

Enjoy the beginning of spring. Hope to see many of you at the conference.

Stay well,

Susan

Susan Archacki-Resnik MSN, ARNP PMHNP BC

APNA Florida Chapter President

Important Dates



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APNA Florida Chapter or

Florida Chapter APNA:
<https://apnafl.nursingnetwork.com>

Florida Chapter Advanced Practice Council:
<https://appnf.enpnetwork.com>

- [A New Prescription: Exercise and Other Groundbreaking Techniques for the Treatment of ADHD, Aggression, and Autism Spectrum Disorders](#)
February 27-March 3, 2017
Naples Beach and Golf Hotel
Naples, Florida
- [Treating the Addictions](#)
March 3-4, 2017
Fairmont Copley Plaza Hotel
Boston, Massachusetts
- [Elevate by Psych Congress](#)
March 3-5, 2017
San Francisco, California
- [International Society of Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurses](#)
10th Annual Psychopharmacology Institute and 19th Annual Conference
March 7-11, 2017
Baltimore, Maryland
- [APNA Florida Chapter Conference](#)
Addressing Mental Health Priorities Across the Lifespan: Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurses Leading the Way
University of Tampa
March 25, 2017
Tampa, Florida
- [2017 NEI Synapse](#)
May 5-7, 2017
Mandarin Oriental
Washington, D.C.
- [APNA 15th Annual Clinical Psychopharmacology Institute](#)
June 8-11, 2017
Hyatt Regency Baltimore on the Inner Harbor
Baltimore, Maryland
- [Psych Congress](#)
September 16-19, 2017
New Orleans, Louisiana
- [APNA 31st Annual Conference](#)
October 18-21, 2017
Phoenix Convention Center
Phoenix, Arizona
- [2017 NEI Congress](#)
November 8-12, 2017
Colorado Springs, Colorado
- [4th Annual Mood Disorders Summit](#)
December 1-2, 2017
Orlando, Florida

Legislative Outlook 2017

The 2016 legislative session will go down in history for Florida Nurse Practitioners. We saw the passage of the Barbara Lumpkin Controlled Substances Prescribing Act, which was the result of many years' efforts from multiple organizations and individuals. This bill removed a long standing barrier to the prescribing privileges for Florida ARNPs. Thanks to the hard work, many are already prescribing controlled substances, therefore increasing access to much needed mental health care for our patients. Although nothing as significant as last year's session, the following bills are already underway! The actual session doesn't start until March 7th; however the committees are already meeting and planning. There have already been 333 bills filed! Please follow these closely and stay informed on issues affecting advanced practice nursing.

Senate filings:

SB 96 – Eligibility & Appointment as Medical Director [Steube] –ARNP focus bill, authorizing ARNPs to serve as medical director of healthcare facility. Grants signature authority to NPs for physician signed documents (like DNRs, etc.)

SB 150 – Controlled Substances [Steube] – DOES NOT pertain to ARNP practice

SB 232 – Health care facilities [Grimsley] *Watch bill

SB 228 – POLST [Brandes] *Watch bill (current version includes NPs)

SB 240 – Direct primary care [Lee] * Watch bill (no current APN policy issues)

SB 262 – Health Insurance [Steube] * Watch bill (no current APN policy issues)

SB 328 – Regulation of Nursing [Grimsley] *Watch bill (no current APN policy issues)

House filings:

HB 129 – ARNPs [Plasencia] –ARNP focus bill, authorizing ARNPs to serve as medical director of healthcare facility. Grants signature authority to NPs for physician signed documents (like DNRs, etc.)

HB 161 – Direct primary care [Burgess] (no current APN policy issues)

HB183 – Controlled Substances [Jacobs] – DOES NOT pertain to ARNP practice

HB 209 – Medical Faculty Certification [Miller] – Criteria for participation in medical training/ medical schools.

Advanced Practice Update

The **South Florida Psychiatric Advanced Practice Nurses Council** continues to hold monthly meetings that are well planned and attended. The February meeting was held at Brio Tuscan Grille in Pembroke Pines. Jessica Johnson, NP, Medical Science Liaison for Neurocrine, delivered the presentation, " Understanding Tardive Dyskinesia." The next meeting will be held on March 9, details to follow. For further information about the group, you can contact Keith Jones, the Chair of the group at : kjonesklj@aol.com or S.FI.PsychAPNCouncil@gmail.com.

The chair of the **Orlando/Central Florida APC** group is Hannah Phillips. This is a very active group that meets monthly. Dr. Frank Lopez presented in January on Adzenys XR-ODT, indicated for the treatment of ADHD in patients 6 years and older. In February 2017 Dr. Gregg Friedman presented: The Role of Lipids in the Management of ADHD. Anyone interested in joining their group can contact Hannah at: Hannah.elizabeth.phillips@gmail.com.

At the time of this publication, the **Treasure Coast APC** is currently on hold. They are actually looking for someone to chair that counsel. Interested parties or for information about the Treasure Coast APC, please contact Mary Stone at: maryst58@hotmail.com.

The **West Coast Advanced Practice Council** is still developing. In addition to Emily Bell, Sharon Krieger and Marguerite Moon have been working to plan meetings for this group. Contact Emily for more information about this group at Emily.e.donelson@gmail.com.

The **Miami Advanced Practice Council** continues to grow. The chair, Lisa Burton welcomes all inquiries or comments. She can be reached at : lisamburtonphd@gmail.com or text her at 786-300-5776.

The **North Florida Advanced Practice Council** meets in the Jacksonville area and remains a very active group and continues to grow in membership. They typically meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month. The next meeting is scheduled for March 16th at Maggiano's Little Italy, and is sponsored by Avanir. Psychiatric Nurse Practitioners and Psychiatric NP students are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Karen McNeely at : n.fl.psychapncouncil@gmail.com.

Keep checking Member Bridge for further updates on ALL of our wonderful Florida APC's!!



Update on DEA Registration in Florida

1. REGISTRATION:

The DEA online registration for Florida ARNPs is now open.

2. CS COURSE IS NOT REQUIRED:

The DEA recognizes that the 3-hour CS course requirement is a state licensing requirement and not tied to the ability of the ARNP to prescribe CS or obtain a DEA Registration. Therefore, the DEA will NOT be requiring proof of completion of the course.

3. DEA PROTOCOL REQUIREMENT:

The DEA will go online to the FL BON website and verify that the applicant has a current protocol posted. Once DEA registration approval is granted, the ARNP must update their protocol and include the CS prescribing info and the DEA number assigned and send it to the BON for review/posting or they may upload it themselves the MQA portal website:

<https://mqaonline.doh.state.fl.us/datamart/mainMenu.do;jsessionid=omydpn+Tt7oGnWgrhLUXjVxa.undefined>

(go to “manage my options” and choose “controlled substance prescribing” under the “Choose and Activity” tab).

4. PROTOCOLS:

The protocol should include a statement authorizing the ARNP to prescribe CS. The BON recommends that the wording on your protocol simply states: “The ARNP is authorized to prescribed controlled substances in accordance with Florida Statute 464.012.” The protocols must be signed by the ARNP and supervising physician/s and have a current date. This protocol may be posted by the ARNP to the BON website via the MQA portal website (see above).

5. SAMPLE PROTOCOL:

The BON will be posting a sample protocol shortly but they have stated that is it just that, a sample, and there is not specific format as long as the protocol includes the above information and is signed by both the physician and ARNP and includes the ARNPs DEA number and a current date.

6. REGISTRATION AS A DESIGNATED CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE PRESCRIBING PRACTITIONER:

If you prescribe CSs for “chronic non-malignant pain” then you must register as “Designated CS Prescribing Practitioner” through the MQA Online Services website. Under “My Dashboard” scroll down to “Manage My License” and in the dropdown with your license no. “Choose Activity” and click on “Controlled Substance Prescribing”. Follow the prompt “Controlled Substance Prescribing” and you’ll see the statute language listed. Click on the box and answer yes or no. (You can upload your new protocol here as well whether you’re prescribing for chronic pain or not.)



Presents:

APNA Florida Chapter 2017 Spring Conference
***Addressing Mental Health Priorities Across the Lifespan:
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Please join us on **March 25th, 2017** at The University of Tampa for our annual Spring Conference. We will present the most updated information on important topics including:

- Legislative Updates
- Designer Drug Crisis
- Child/Adolescent and Geriatric Specialty Presentations
- Integrative Health
- Poster Sessions
- Council Meetings
- And more.....

In addition we will have a pre-conference reception and meet and greet with your Board of Directors on Friday night. Registration packets can be picked up at this time to avoid the day of conference lines! Registration information and conference brochure are available on the APNA Member Bridge.

Register online at: www.apna.org/APNAFLRegister



The University of Tampa
 401 W. Kennedy Blvd.
 Tampa, FL 33606-1490

Hotel: [Marriott Courtyard and Tampa Downtown](http://www.marriott.com/hotels-and-resorts/properties.mi-tampa-downtown-courtyard-hotel)

102 East Cass Street
 Tampa, Florida 33602
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Attendance at all conference sessions and completion of evaluation is required for Continuing Education (CE) contact hours.

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***Would you like to showcase your DNP or Research Project?
Please bring your poster to the APNA Florida Conference.***

**Addressing Mental Health Priorities Across the Lifespan:
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CALL FOR POSTER PRESENTATION ABSTRACTS

We invite students, psychiatric nurses and nurse researchers to submit abstracts for the poster session. The purpose of the poster session is to communicate best practices on psychiatric mental health nursing clinical topics, innovative practice settings, research findings, and other topics related to psychiatric mental health nursing in primary care and/or acute care.

Submission of Abstracts

Electronically submit your abstract and submission form as an MS Word File attachment to:

Diane Esposito @ dianearnp@gmail.com

Guidelines and Information

Abstracts are limited to 250 words or less.

Abstract Guidelines: Abstracts must contain the following information:

- Poster-Title
- Author(s)-Names and e-mail addresses
- Keywords-Identify the keywords applicable to the submission
- Brief content description:

List citations for evidence used (must have at least 1); provide the purpose statement for the presentation; identify the gap area to be addressed (knowledge, skill, practice, or other); provide a description of the current gap; and provide a description of the desired/achievable state.

Poster Abstract Submission

All poster presenters must be registered, fully-paid conference participants.

Poster Title: _____

Presenter Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Mailing Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax: _____

Co- Presenters: _____

Please Indicate Your Poster Category:

- A. Administration _____
- B. Education _____
- C. Practice _____
- D. Research _____
- E. Student _____

Poster Abstract: Please see guidelines. Limit your abstract to 250 words or less. Use an additional sheet if necessary. If you are not using Microsoft Word, save your file in rich text format [rtf] prior to submission.



CE course for Controlled Substance Prescribing

All ARNPs in Florida **MUST** take a mandatory Continuing Education (CE) credit for Controlled Substance Prescribing course before your next license renewal, even if you are not going to apply for a DEA number. The DEA does not need to see proof of your Continuing Education (CE) credits to apply.

If you qualify for the new CE exemption for license renewal, you are also required to take this new 3 hour course. There is no way to get around this if you want to renew your license. FHA and FNPN are offering a great course. If you are an FHA or FNPN member the course is \$5.00. If not a member it is \$95.00. Most courses are way over \$100. If you are not a member then join FNPN for \$75.00. The course will be costing you \$5.00 and you still save \$15 and are now a member of your state NP organization that works for your profession on all state NP issues. The information is in an attachment to this message.

As reported by FNPN:

The Florida BON Executive Director, Mr. Joe Baker, has confirmed that ARNPs who are nationally certified through one of two methods (National Commission for Certifying Agencies or the Accreditation Board for Specialty Nursing Certification) may be eligible to be exempt from the Florida CE requirement for license renewal.

In order to qualify, you must go to www.cebroker.com (the basic account is free) and log in. If you don't already have an account, you must register for you. Once you're in the system, follow the links to "Report Hours/Exemption." Follow the prompts and add your certification document. Your exempt status should be reflected during your next license renewal application.

The following link will take you to the NCCA site and on the left you will see a link for the programs directory. Search for your certification body (AANP, ANCC. or any other) for confirmation they are included in this.

<http://www.credentialingexcellence.org/ncca>

Around the State

We want to hear from you! Please let us know what you are doing in your area so we can highlight your accomplishments in the newsletter. Some examples include:

- Unit Council Magnet Projects
- Professional Presentations
- Community Initiatives
- Research Projects
- Evidence based practice changes

Please submit your information via Member Bridge or to the media coordinator @ karencmcneely@gmail.com

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