PeriAnesthesia Nurse Awareness Week
February 6 - 12, 2017

Honoring our PeriAnesthesia Nursing Colleagues!

Join our contest to win! Click HERE for more info!

President's Message....
Warmest of greetings from Spokane! The new year has begun & it is a great time for making plans to connect with colleagues at a conference. There are several on the horizon & scholarship funds available. Please take advantage of this wonderful benefit of your membership. I hope to see you soon at the Spring Fling in Spokane or in Indianapolis for ASPAN National Conference!
Safe travels,
Maria

Spring 2017 Certification Testing:
Registration open! Jan 9- March 6th
Test dates: April 3 - May 30th, 2017
> ONLINE REGISTRATION

Congratulations to Fall 2016 Newly Certified Nurses!

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ASPAN Educational Offering:

Pain Management in the PeriAnesthesia and Critical Care Settings
Coeur d’Alene, Idaho.
>Seminar Flyer

NPANA Inland Northwest Spring Fling Conference in Spokane
March 25, 2017

Join us in Spokane, Washington! This will be an opportunity to network and obtain continuing education on pediatric and adult PeriAnesthesia topics! Earn 7.2 Contact Hours!
ASPAN member early-bird discount means the cost is less than $50 (including breakfast and lunch)! Register before February 1st for Early-Bird Discount!

> LINK TO Conference Brochure
> Click HERE to Register Online!

Join us in Indiana! ASPAN National Conference!
Energizing Generations: The Race to Distinction
April 30 - May 4, 2017   Indianapolis, IN

Scholarships are available to ASPAN/NPANA members!
> Link to ASPAN site for more conference info
> Link to NPANA Scholarship Info

District Updates:
Alaska:
Hosting the NPANA Fall Conference in Anchorage Sept. 9 & 10th, 2017!

Inland Northwest: New officers elected! Congratulations!
Next meeting: January 12th @ 5pm~ Cathay Inn, Spokane
> Learn more & join Inland NW Group, click here!
> Inland NW District President’s Update
Committee Updates:

- Membership- NPANA recruitment
- Scholarship- Evaluate scholarship applicants
- Conference- Help plan NPANA Fall conference
- Communication- Help with emails, Off the Cuff©
- Research- NEW! Support EBP & posters!
- Nominating- Nominate future NPANA leaders

All committees are recruiting! Contact the NPANA President for more info!

Clinical Practice/Evidence-Based Practice:

Many EBP resources are available on our website!

Share your work via a poster presentation at the Spring Fling 2017!

- Scholarships are available to help offset costs!
- Plus, people are available to help you! Contact npanacommunication@gmail.com for more info or support!

Clinical corner: New Medication!
Have you seen Sugammadex © yet?
This new agent is used to reverse muscle relaxants (especially rocuronium and vecuronium) used during surgery! It is proven to work faster and more complete than neostigmine.

- Discharge tip! Females using hormonal contraception should be advised to use an alternate non-hormonal birth control for 7 days.

Reference:
Government Affairs:

Nurse Corps Loan Repayment Program- application deadline

February 25th!

To be eligible to apply, you must be a licensed RN, have completed your training (diploma, associate, baccalaureate or graduate), and be employed full time (at least 32 hours per week) at an eligible critical shortage facility.

(Spokane is considered a high need area for nursing and meets the requirements for this grant; check into this for more info about other areas!).

- You must be a U.S. citizen (born or naturalized) or National and Lawful Permanent Resident and your education must be from an accredited school of nursing located in a U.S. State.
- Funding preference is based on your financial need and the facility where you work.
- The application includes a contract that obligates you to serve two-years at the Critical Shortage Facility listed in your application if you are selected to participate in the program.
- Learn more at: Nurse Core Loan Repayment Link

NPANA WEB SITE!  www.npana.org

Check out the website and “Stay in the know!” On it you will find a fresh look, resources, district pages, events, and many other links. Please visit and let us know what you think!

> Visit the NPANA Web Site

Congratulations! Have you received an award?

We would love to share that information and honor you!
Do you have a poster to share at conference?
Employee of the month?
Please submit info to: npanacommunication@gmail.com

Watch here for award announcements from the Perianesthesia Nurses' Week contest, Spring Fling Awards, and National Conference Awards!

OTHER FEATURES

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Northwest PeriAnesthesia Nurses’ Association

The Northwest PeriAnesthesia Nurses’ Association exists to promote quality care for patients and their families through professional education, research, and standards of practice for PeriAnesthesia nurses.

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