Register today for the Spring Fling!

Spring Fling 2018
March 24th
Spokane, WA

7am-4pm
Hotel RL by Red Lion Spokane at the Park
Phone
(509) 326-8000
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Hotel RL by Red Lion
303 W North River Dr.
Spokane, WA 99201
Website
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Spring Fling 2018 flyer
2018 Registration Brochure

Click here to register

NPANA component luncheon:
12:00pm, May 1, 2018
Buca di Beppo
NPANA 2018 Fall Conference: Portland, OR
September 29-30, 2018
Perianesthesia PEARLS in Portlandia!
Venue: Holiday Inn Portland Airport
More details to come....

ASPN PeriAnesthesia Certification Review
Lois Schick is coming to Seattle, WA. Saturday, February 10th!
ABPANC CPAN/CAPA Spring testing: Registration is open Jan 8 - March 26th
Testing dates are April 2- May 29th!

New testing locations now available in Alaska!

Seattle certification review info

Certification schedule and fees

Congratulations to our newly certified RNs Fall 2017:
Tracy Wolter- CPAN                  Maryse Barker- CPAN
Buffie Cubit- CPAN                  Shari St John- CPAN
Michaela Wilde- CPAN                Kenneth Bucher-CPAN
Lisa Fordham- CPAN                  Lindsay Denney- CPAN
Charles Bierle- CPAN                Hillary Preston- CPAN
Lindsey Jackman- CPAN               Thomas Vaverka- CPAN
Robyn Randall- CPAN                 Jessica Russell- CPAN
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Caroline Blachford- CPAN            M Elizabeth Leske- CPAN
Lisa Thacker- CPAN, CAPA            Leona Foley- CPAN
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Tamara Brown- CAPA                  Michael Hardy- CAPA
Barbara Gomez- CAPA                  Gretchen Novasio- CAPA
Sara Eveland- CAPA                  Deanna Beach- CAPA
McRomeo Libid- CAPA                 Nancy Ownby- CAPA
Annette McCulley- CAPA              Theresa Bonnell- CAPA
Kimberly Mudge- CAPA, CPAN
February 10: PeriAnesthesia Certification Review (Seattle, WA)
March 24: NPANA Spring Fling (Spokane, WA)
April 29-May 3: ASPAN National Conference (Anaheim, CA)
September 29-30: NPANA Fall Conference (Portland, OR)

Do you need help hosting an educational offering? Want to offer contact hours with your own speaker? We can help you!

ASPN Select Offerings also provide options for 1 to 3-hour pre-recorded education sessions! Contact hours are available for purchase. Let us know if you are interested in hosting a session!

ASPN Select Seminars

PeriAnesthesia Nurses Awareness Week February 5-11th

Check out PANAW gear here
What's the deal with the IV fluid shortage?
Submitted by Shannon Kline, RN BSN CPAN

When Hurricane Maria hit Puerto Rico in September of 2017, it resulted in the temporary shutdown of Baxter's manufacturing plants. According to CBS news, Baxter produces more than 43% of the U.S. IV solutions market, "tens of millions of sterile IV solutions" each year. In an FDA press release the U.S. has been working to restore operations/move critical supplies off of the island. The FDA also reports approving IV solutions from new companies as well as temporarily allowing the importation of non-U.S. made sterile IV solutions. The FDA states that these measures should help improve the shortage in the near future.

The IV fluid shortage is compounded by a severe flu season. We have all seen this is our daily practice. At my facility, I've heard anesthesia providers talking about running patients on Propofol drips, 'to increase their total IV fluid.' We've been asked to evaluate each patient's needs for IV fluids and have sent the majority of patients to the OR with 250ml hanging instead of a liter. Nurses are standing at the bedside giving drugs via slow IV push with multiple 10ml flushes rather than putting that same medication in the infusion bag it would normally be in. We as nurses never fail to demonstrate our flexibility and resourcefulness in finding ways to provide the best possible care to our patients despite less than optimal conditions. Good job to all of us for the hard work!

Membership & District Updates:
Submitted by Jaime Conant, npanasecretary@gmail.com

Membership Update
January 2018:
**Government Affairs:**

Did you know? ASPAN has many advocacy resources:

http://www.aspan.org/Resources/Advocacy

https://www.govtrack.us

National Assoc. of City & County Health Officials (NACCHO) announces release of its policy recommendations for 2017. There are over 125 policy statements on public health issues impacting individuals and communities.

Compendium of Policy Recommendations

Update on health care reform legislation:

American Nurses' Association:

Health Care System Reform

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and their families through professional education, research, and standards of practice for PeriAnesthesia nurses.

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