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The Year in ANNA History **Looking Back: 1983-1984**



Mary Baker
President

The Year in Review

- The organization approved a new name —The American Nephrology Nurses' Association (ANNA).
- Special Interest Groups (SIGs) became an official sub-committee of the Clinical Practice Committee. The identified groups were Administration, Education, Hemodialysis, Pediatrics, Peritoneal Dialysis, Research, and Transplantation.
- 54 chapters were in place representing all areas of the United States
- Government Relations became more evident for AANNT with the adoption of the AANNT Legislative Policy Statement/Platform. Input was provided to Senator Albert Gore for proposed legislation relating to transplantation.
- Mary Baker was appointed by President Reagan to serve on a National Health Steering Committee that met in November in Washington DC. As chairperson of the Public Relations Committee of NFSNO, Ms. Baker was the only nurse appointed to the committee.
- The *ANNA Journal* published a Monograph on Renal Rehabilitation.
- The 15th National Symposium was held in Hollywood, FL with attendance reaching 1,000. Donna Mapes served as the keynote speaker.
- During the opening ceremonies of the 15th National Symposium, 11 past presidents and 16 of the original founding members of the organization were recognized.

