

ANNA

The Year in ANNA History **Looking Back: 1984-1985**



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President

The Year in Review

- The organization enjoyed a successful first full year with its new identity of the American Nephrology Nurses' Association (ANNA).
- Educational opportunities were provided this year at the four regional meetings, the National Symposium, and through printed media.
- The *ANNA Journal* monograph, *Protecting the Future of Quality Care through an Understanding of Hemodialysis Principles*, was distributed.
- Special Interest Groups (SIGs) began to function effectively in 1984. A ninth SIG for Renal Staff Nurses was formed in 1985 for nurses who work on inpatient renal units.
- ANNA contributed significantly to the passage of the organ procurement legislation and maintained an ongoing dialogue with members of Congress and HCFA.
- In an attempt to promote collaboration among nephrology associations and their members, ANNA organized and hosted the first Assembly of Nephrology Organizations.
- Membership exceeded 3,000 and the number of chapters increased to 55 under President Beth Ulrich.
- A successful 16th National Symposium was held at the Sheraton Harbor Island Hotel in San Diego, CA.

