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The Year in ANNA History

Looking Back: 2016-2017

The Year in Review



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President

- ANNA published the third edition of *Contemporary Nephrology Nursing*.
- ANNA published the eighth edition of the *Nephrology Scope and Standards of Practice*.
- ANNA hosted Capitol Hill Day in Washington, DC, on April 7, 2017, to promote advocacy and encourage nephrology nurses to visit their legislators to discuss health policy issues impacting nurses and patients.
- ANNA hosted the 2017 National Symposium April 7-10 in Washington, DC.
- ANNA hosted the Fall Meeting for Nephrology Nurses, Managers, and Advanced Practice Nurses October 8-10, 2016, in San Diego, CA.
- ANNA partnered with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and other kidney and dialysis organizations to form the *Making Dialysis Safer for Patients Coalition*, an initiative to reduce the number of bloodstream infections in dialysis patients.
- ANNA joined the *Nursing Infection Control Education Network*, a nursing-wide initiative led by the American Nurses Association and the CDC to train nurses in infection prevention and control.
- ANNA joined an initiative with the American Psychiatric Nurses Association to educate nurses and provide access to free CNE webinars on opioid abuse and treatment.
- ANNA launched the Open Forum to provide members the opportunity to network, discuss practice issues, and share resources in an online community.
- To spotlight the diverse experiences and unique perspectives of our members, ANNA launched an online monthly Member Spotlight.
- To enhance educational opportunities for nephrology nurses, the ANNA Online Library was expanded and migrated to a new, more robust, user-friendly platform.
- The *CExpress* program in the ANNA Online Library was expanded to include 16 educational sessions.
- ANNA provided comments to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) regarding the following proposed rules:
 - Medicare Program; Conditions for Coverage for ESRD Facilities - Third Party Payment (CMS-3337-IFC)
 - Medicare Program; ESRD Prospective Payment System, Coverage and Payment for Renal Dialysis Services Furnished to Individuals with Acute Kidney Injury, and Quality Incentive Program (CMS-1651-P)

