

ANNA

The Year in ANNA History

Looking Back: 2013-2014

The Year in Review



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President

- ANNA implemented a new Strategic Plan focused on two goals and three strategic initiatives.
- ANNA completed the transition from a regional to a national governance structure, allowing the new role of Director to focus on national priorities and objectives and enabling us to become “One ANNA.”
- ANNA implemented the Road to Success program, a leadership pathway featuring strengths-based assessment.
- The ANNA Chapter Support Team (ACST) was formed to assist with chapter activities and provide support to chapter officers. ACST created online learning modules called “Fast 15s” for chapter officer orientation.
- ANNA’s Nurse Sensitive Outcomes Task Force defined nephrology nursing sensitive quality indicators.
- ANNA earned Accreditation with Distinction from the American Nurses Credentialing Center.
- ANNA became a member of the National Quality Forum.
- The voting process for the 2014-2015 ANNA elections was enhanced to feature online, one-click voting.
- ANNA implemented electronic versions of its publications: *Nephrology Nursing Journal* and *ANNA Update*.
- ANNA enhanced the ANNA Resource Corps, our volunteer database that matches members’ unique talents and skills with ANNA volunteer activities.
- ANNA’s 44th National Symposium was held in Las Vegas, NV, in April 2013, with more than 1,100 in attendance.
- Dr. Thomas Parker’s presentation at the 2013 National Symposium on best practices in hemodialysis delivery and dialysis prescription was videotaped and made available to dialysis organizations and ANNA chapters with free contact hours.
- ANNA hosted the 12th biennial Health Policy Workshop June 24-25, 2013, in Washington, DC.
- ANNA’s first-ever Virtual Lobby Day on June 25, 2013, was a success, with members sending over 1,100 letters to their Members of Congress.
- Nephrology Nurses Week was celebrated in September with the theme “Nephrology Nurses Take Action.” ANNA offered members a celebratory gift of free contact hours for a program on evidence-based practice.
- The ANNA Fall Meeting for Nephrology Nurses, Managers, and Advanced Practice Nurses was held in New Orleans, LA, in September 2013 with more than 400 attendees.
- ANNA responded to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) regarding the Proposed Rule: Medicare Program; End-Stage Renal Disease Prospective Payment System, Quality Incentive Program, and Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (CMS-1526-P).
- ANNA hosted a webinar for members entitled *Final Rule on the ESRD Prospective Payment System and Quality Incentive Program: What Does It Mean to You?*
- ANNA responded to CMS regarding the Proposed Rule: Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Emergency Preparedness Requirements for Medicare and Medicaid Providers and Suppliers (CMS-3178-P).

