

California Association for Nurse Practitioners Monthly Chapter Communication / July 2018

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Association Updates

2018-2019 Budget

Following the unanimous recommendation of the CANP Finance Committee, which is comprised of five-chapter leaders and five CANP board members, the CANP Board of Directors approved the Association's 2018-2019 budget during its June 26 meeting. An overview of the budget can be found by clicking here.

2018-2020 Board of Directors

During the House of Delegates Meeting on April 30, delegates from throughout the state elected the 2018-2020 CANP Board of Directors who took office on July 1. Use this link to view a complete board roster.

Congratulations to the following individuals on being elected or appointed:

- President Karen Bradley
- President Elect Patti Gurney
- VP of Finance Cynthia Jovanov
- VP of Corporate Affairs Jeffrey Vu
- Education Affairs Committee Co-Chair Kristin Rhodes
- Membership Chair Sheri Rickman Patrick
- Health Policy Chair -- Aimee Paulsen (takes office October 1, 2018)

Remaining in office are:

- Charlotte Gullap-Moore Health Practice Chair
- Cher Hagaman Education Co-Chair
- Nancy Trego Health Policy Chair (leaves office September 30)

Former president Theresa Ullrich becomes Immediate Past President.

Call for Abstracts

Abstracts for the CANP 42nd Annual Educational Conference taking place March 14-17, 2019 are being accepted until September 14, 2018. Please consider presenting at the conference or share this information with those that might be interested in presenting. To learn more and/or submit an abstract visit our 2019 call for abstracts page.

CANP Website Update

CANP is finalizing its new website and we expect to launch in September. The new site will be "responsive," which means mobile and tablet friendly, thus allowing for a better user experience.

One step in the process is for our website development team to migrate content from the current website to the new website. During this time the website will experience a "content freeze," which will result in chapters being unable to upload any documents to the current website. However, chapters will still have access to the Chapter Leadership Toolset and will be able to continue entering events that display on the website for registration. We will notify chapters when the content freeze is lifted and changes can be made to the website again.

If you have any questions, please contact Erin Meyer at erin@canpweb.org or (916) 441-1361 ext. 1.

California Future Health Workforce

We need you! The California Future Health Workforce Commission was recently created to help California close the gap between the health workforce we have, and the workforce we need. They want to hear your views. The Commission is reviewing solutions to our health care crisis that include expanding scope of practice for NPs to better meet needs for primary care.

Fill out this survey today. It takes 45 minutes, but it is important that NPs are heard from as part of this vital process. The deadline to submit the survey is July 20, 2018.

Advocacy – An Update from CANP's Lobbyist

Legislative Update

The spring has been turbulent in Sacramento as legislators rushed to hear bills before the June 1 house of origin deadline, the date by which all bills had to pass out of their original houses in order to remain alive. Many bills failed in fiscal committee before making it to the floor, so the number still eligible for consideration has been culled. Although policy committee hearings resumed through the first week of July to hear the remaining legislation, the main focus in Sacramento recently has been the primary election and the budget.

CANP is supporting several bills this year that have passed out of their respective policy committees and have been referred to Appropriations Committee. Those include AB 2682 (Burke), which will remove physician supervision of certified nurse midwives while preserving physician collaboration, thereby increasing access to women's healthcare. After extensive

negotiations between the California Medical Association (CMA) and the California Nurse Midwives Association (CNMA), AB 2682 has been significantly amended and is no longer opposed by either CMA or other physician specialty societies. CNMA and CMA agreed to require a "transition to practice" period for new licensees, requiring them to work under supervision of an MD or CNM for eighteen months.

We are also supporting AB 2965 (Arambula) and SB 974 (Lara), which will make undocumented adults under the age of 26 and over the age of 65, respectively, eligible for full-scope Medi-Cal benefits who would otherwise be eligible for those benefits, notwithstanding their immigration status.

The Legislature adjourned on July 5 for a month-long summer recess and will return for the final month of session on August 6.

State Budget Update

The Legislature passed the budget by the June 15th constitutional deadline in what has become a timely occurrence over the past eight years, and the Governor signed the Budget on June 27.

The \$199.6 billion budget was signed on a high note for Jerry Brown given the state's \$8.8 billion surplus. Although revenue projections were optimistic, the Governor carried his usual tone of caution and fiscal prudence when he released his revised budget in May ahead of budget passage, warning that a recession is inevitable. To prepare for a future downturn, the passed Budget sets aside a health amount in the state's Rainy-Day Fund, bringing the fund's total up to nearly \$14 billion.

However, due to the large surplus, the budget is close to a 9 percent increase for this fiscal year and provides nearly \$4 billion in proposed one-time General Fund spending, which will be used for existing infrastructure needs, homelessness, and mental health. Much of that will be used to combat homelessness, boost mental health services, and assist the state's aging infrastructure.

Although the Governor clearly laid out his priorities and emphasized the importance of protecting against future cuts and shoring up the state's reserves, legislators and advocates lobbied to dedicate funding to additional programs and issues. Assembly Democrats proposed a \$1 billion healthcare spending package in May, which sought to implement various reforms that were introduced as part of the legislative healthcare reform package introduced over the past few months by the Assembly. In Budget Conference Committee, the proposal was largely scrapped because it lacked the Governor's support. The main component the Conference Committee did adopt and which was passed by the Legislature this week was the funding for an All Payer Claims Database (APCD), as well as funding to establish a task force to study what it would take to accomplish universal coverage.

Election Update

The gubernatorial primary election took place on June 5, and though it took weeks for all

ballots to be counted, several things were immediately clear. In the Governor's race, Democrat CANP-endorsed candidate Gavin Newsom, and Republican John Cox were the top two finishers and will face off in November to succeed Governor Jerry Brown, both handily defeating the rest of the candidates. U.S. Senator Diane Feinstein easily advanced to the General Election with over a 30-point lead over the second-place finisher, former state Senate President pro Tem Kevin de Leon. Given the outcome in these races, we expect Gavin Newsom will easily be elected Governor and Feinstein will be re-elected to the U.S. Senate. Newsom has name recognition and charisma, which gave him an edge over his primary Democratic opponent, Antonio Villaraigosa. He is also the most progressive candidate and has come out in strong support of a single-payer healthcare system, gaining the endorsement of the California Nurses Association.

In the State Senate, the Democrats' supermajority is gone — at least for the end of this session. The recall of Democrat State Senator Josh Newman was successful, with nearly 60% of voters casting their ballots in favor of the recall, versus just over 40% voting against it. Republican Ling-Ling Chang won the election to take Newman's seat. Chang had lost to Newman in 2016, giving Democrats a temporary supermajority in the Senate. Newman, whose seat was previously long-held by Republicans, voted in a favor of Senate Bill 1, the transportation infrastructure package that included the state's first gas tax increase in 23 years. That vote was the impetus for the recall. Voters will decide whether to keep or repeal the gas tax in November.

The three special elections that took place on June 5 to fill vacancies caused by sexual harassment-related resignations were: SD 32 (Tony Mendoza's seat), AD 39 (Raul Bocanegra's seat), and AD 45 (Matt Dababneh's seat). Democrat Luz Maria Rivas was the clear winner in AD 39 and was sworn in to succeed Bocanegra. In AD 45, Democrat Jesse Gabriel was sworn in to succeed Matt Dababneh. Although Mendoza resigned this year, he ran for reelection in the SD 32 special election. He took third place, so his efforts were futile. His seat will remain vacant until after the run-off election in early August. Republican Rita Topalian will face Democrat Vanessa Delgado to succeed Mendoza, and since it is a safe Democratic district, Delgado will win.

Assemblywoman Cristina Garcia, who recently returned to the Assembly after a leave of absence stemming from sexual harassment allegations, ran for reelection and won first-place with close to 30% of the vote. Six Democrats and one Republican competed to unseat her. Because so many Democrats split the vote, she will face the Republican – Mike Simpfenderfer -- in November and will likely defeat him given the heavy Democratic voter registration in her district. Garcia was cleared of any wrongdoing by the Assembly in May, but the Assembly has announced that it will review the appeal of the complaint by the legislative staffer who initially made the allegations against Garcia.

With the exception of Proposition 70 (supermajority requirement for cap-and-trade funding expenditures), all initiatives on the primary ballot passed. The real initiative fight will take place in the fall, and the ballot is packed with 12 initiatives, including a gas tax repeal, water and homelessness bonds, a rent control measure, and increased property tax protections. The Secretary of State announced which initiatives qualified on June 28. Several initiatives that were filed with the Attorney General were withdrawn from circulation or the ballot. The

proposed measure that would have created a funding mechanism for single-payer healthcare will not be on this year's ballot since SB 562 has not passed.

Looking ahead to November, Democrats will attempt to align Republicans with Trump in contested/targeted races. This is true for vulnerable House Republicans but it will also be the strategy for targeted State Senate and Assembly seats. Popular Democrats in statewide offices, like Jerry Brown and Gavin Newsom, will have the resources and likely focus their efforts on some of these targeted, down-ballot races. A key component of Gavin Newsom's campaign strategy for his primary race was to elevate Cox over Democrat Antonio Villaraigosa, so the Newsom camp is right where it wants to be. Cox received Trump's endorsement for Governor, so Newsom will easily be able to paint Cox as a Donald Trump "foot solider" and will have the ability to focus on helping Democrats in close races.

Social Media

CANP continues to urge all chapter leaders and members to use social media, especially Twitter, as an efficient and effective way of keeping members updated on grassroots opportunities and ultimately engaging legislators.

Events

Leadership Summit

Register your leadership today for the 2018 Leadership Summit. The Leadership Summit takes place on Saturday, September 29 in Sacramento and <u>registration is open</u>.

The event is free of change for up to two-chapter leaders, chapters may send additional leaders (up to two) for \$60 each. All chapter leaders attending must be approved by the Chapter President.

The agenda is being developed. Check the <u>Leadership Summit page</u> online for additional details as they emerge.

Annual Educational Conference

CANP's 42nd Annual Educational Conference, supported by NSO, takes place March 14-17, 2019 at the Sheraton San Diego Hotel & Marina. Save the date and make plans to join us.

As mentioned previously, abstracts are being accepted until September 14, 2018. Please consider presenting at the conference or share this information with those that might be interested in presenting. To learn more and/or submit an abstract visit our 2019 call for abstracts page.

Exhibitor and sponsor registration is scheduled to open in September and general conference registration is scheduled to open in late October.

Lobby Day

Lobby Day 2019 planning is in progress and details will be shared as they become available. In the meantime, chapters should continue the grassroots activities in their communities.

NP Week

Mark your calendars for NP Week 2018, taking place November 11-17. More details to come soon.

Operations

Career Center

CANP offers a comprehensive Career Center that is the one-stop place for employers to post job openings and job seekers to post resumes and/or view job openings. We encourage chapters to promote this valuable service (while also asking Chapters to not utilize any competing service). If you are asked by an employer to email a job announcement to your members, please refer them to the Career Center via this link to post their open position.

Quarterly Reports

June 30, 2018 marked the end of the fourth quarter for CANP's 2017-2018 fiscal year. The Quarter 4 report will be distributed July 18 with a due date of August 1, 2018.

July 1 marked the start of the first quarter for CANP's 2018-2019 fiscal year. Below is a list of reporting dates for the 2018-2019 fiscal year:

2018-2019

Quarter	Dates	Report Due Date
Quarter 1	July 1, 2018 – September 30, 2018	September 28, 2018
Quarter 2	October 1, 2018 - December 31, 2018	January 28, 2019
Quarter 3	January 1, 2019 – March 31, 2019	April 26, 2019
Quarter 4	April 1, 2019 – June 30, 2019	July 26, 2019

Leadership Roster

July 1 marked the first day of new leadership for the majority of chapters. If your chapter has not submitted an updated leadership roster to the state office please do so by **Friday**, **July 27**, **2018** via email at erin@canpwe.org. It is essential that chapter leadership information is current in order to provide the appropriate parties access to the Chapter Leadership Toolset, other resources and emails.

Website Instructions

CANP provides chapter leaders a set of tools to assist them in managing their chapter through the CANP website. Leaders are encouraged to familiarize themselves with the Chapter Leadership Toolset by reviewing the <u>Website Administration Guide</u>.

Taxes

It is each chapter's responsibility to apply and maintain federal and state tax-exempt status. CANP offers the following resources to assist chapters with filing their taxes:

- <u>CANP Chapter Federal & State Filing Exemption Instruction Manual</u> Provides direction in how to verify your chapter's status and other helpful resources
- Ask a Tax Question Allows chapter leaders to ask questions about tax filings and other issues related to financial aspects of running a local chapter
- Twice yearly leadership calls focused on tax filings (January and August).

As a reminder: If your chapter tax year is *calendar year* (ending December 31), please file your federal and California tax returns by March 15. If you are on a *fiscal year* (ending June 30), please file your federal and California tax returns by September 15th. Please consult your chapter tax advisor for more detailed information.

Political Action Committee (PAC)

The current balance in the PAC account is \$62,639. CANP encourages chapters to continue to raise funds for the CANP PAC, which is a critical part of the Association's political efforts. PAC funds help show strength in numbers and a commitment to engage in the legislative process.

Note: PAC donations must be submitted via personal check or credit card. Donations via cash or cashier's check are <u>not</u> permitted.

To learn more about how to conduct a PAC fundraising event visit our PAC page.

Membership

Membership Renewals

CANP renewal efforts are ongoing with members renewing on a monthly basis. Chapter leaders can find a list of their chapters' current and expiring members in the Chapter Leadership Toolset. Membership statistics are available via this link.

Strategic Plan

CANP's 2018-2022 Strategic Plan was adopted by the CANP Board of Directors on January 20, 2018 and can be found on the CANP <u>website</u>.