Resignation of One President, Birth of Another

I am so very grateful to Freddy for all his hard work and dedication to CANP. I look forward to his continued leadership as an ongoing active member of CANP, as I'm sure I will be consulting him on many upcoming issues. Additionally, I just wanted to say that I am obliged for the opportunity to lead as president in the upcoming year, and I look forward to working with all the members to help CANP succeed in all of its many endeavors.

We have astute board and non-board members, and I'm sure it will be a successful 2016 with all of our combined efforts!

Thanks so much,

Terry, MA, MSN, CNL, FNP
CANP Central Chapter President

Start Networking!

Be sure to join our Linkedin profile page named: CANP - Central Chapter. This is a great way to network with others in your field, search for preceptorship, and seek out new and exciting career opportunities. As with the Facebook website, this site will be advertising CANP meetings and fun local healthcare related events. A new addition to our Central Chapter social network is Twitter... so let's get tweeting!

For all of you new to the social media world, please refer to our basic “how-to” guide about the following sites: Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn. Click here to view these tips.
Nurse Practitioners in the News

Read about how the limited scope of practice for Nurse Practitioners causes medicine to be more expensive for patients. Click here for the full link.

Nurse practitioner-run clinic in Aurora, CO provides excellent care and an innovative way for patients to pay. Click here for the full article link.

Healthcare personnel develop an outreach team for LA homeless. Click here for the full article link.

Keeping up with Healthcare

There is a countless number of articles related to healthcare, disease, and medical management. Below are just a few of these fun health highlights:

A new study finds that a diagnosis of melanoma during pregnancy is deadlier due to pregnancy hormones. Click here for full article.

Decreased death risk from prostate cancer after diagnosis if taking regular aspirin. Click here for full article.

Dangers of uncoordinated opioid prescription usage. Click here for full article.

Legislative Highlights

The most influential way to impact your community and nursing practice is to contact your elected officials. Click here for tips on how to talk to your legislator.

CANP follows bills that:
1. Affect NP’s scope of practice, or that of other advanced practice nurses
2. List who may be reimbursed for a medical procedure or services
3. Define the practice of medicine or nursing
4. Deal with prescribing of drugs
5. Use the term “physician” instead of “provider”
6. Impact our patient population
**More Detail on Legislative Updates**

**Contact Your Legislator**

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**AB 50**  
**Mullin D**  Medi-Cal: evidence-based home visiting programs.

**Current Text:** Vetoed: 10/10/2015

**Status:** 10/10/2015-Vetoed by the Governor

**Location:** 10/10/2015-A. VETOED

**Summary:** Would require the State Department of Health Care Services, in consultation with specified stakeholders, to develop a feasibility plan on or before January 1, 2017, that describes the costs, benefits, and any potential barriers related to offering evidence-based home visiting programs to Medi-Cal eligible pregnant and parenting women. This bill contains other existing laws.

**AB 73**  

**Current Text:** Amended: 1/5/2016

**Status:** 1/25/2016-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment

**Location:** 1/25/2016-S. RLS

**Summary:** Would, to the extent permitted by federal law, provide that if medically necessary antiretroviral drugs used in the treatment of HIV/AIDS is prescribed by a Medi-Cal beneficiary's treating provider for that purpose, and coverage for that prescribed drug is denied by a Medi-Cal managed care plan in which the beneficiary is enrolled, that denial shall be reviewed in accordance with the bill.

**SB 277**  
**Pan D**  Public health: vaccinations.

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 6/30/2015

**Status:** 6/30/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter No. 35

**Location:** 6/30/2015-S. CHAPTERED.

**Summary:** Would eliminate the exemption from current specified immunization requirements based upon personal beliefs, but would allow exemption from future immunization requirements deemed appropriate by the State Department of Public Health for either medical reasons or personal beliefs.
SB 408 Morrell R Midwife assistants.

Current Text: Chaptered: 9/8/2015


Location: 9/8/2015-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would authorize a midwife assistant to perform certain assistive activities under the supervision of a licensed midwife or certified nurse-midwife, including the administration of medicine, the withdrawing of blood, and midwife technical support services. The bill would define terms for these purposes. The bill would prohibit a midwife assistant from being employed for inpatient care in a licensed general acute care hospital.

Please visit the CANP’s Advocacy page for a full list of highlighted bills.

Education Committee wanted!

The BOD is currently looking for anyone interested in assisting the Membership Chair in educating NP students about CANP. This could include presentations at local NP programs, mentoring student CANP members, and/or finding ways to increase student involvement in CANP events. If you are interested please contact Courtney Thompson or Pam Sikes.

Call for Preceptors

We have many enthusiastic and motivated students who are working hard to build their career path towards that of a nurse practitioner - but they need your help! While some graduate programs have clinical coordinators to arrange preceptorship, many do not. Please email Courtney Thompson if you, or someone you know, is willing to work as a preceptor!

Connections Newsletter

Connections is the California Association for Nurse Practitioners’ monthly electronic newsletter, delivering news about what’s going on at every level of the organization, from individual chapters to statewide administration. It also includes items gleaned from the news media on topics of interest to CANP members. Link to recent Connections Newsletters!
See Events Page