



## ***News from CNSA: Email Broadcast for February 2015***

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## **1. ATTENTION PRESIDENTS AND NATIONAL CONVENTION ATTENDEES**

**Want your school represented at the House of Delegates?** Make sure you submit your Official Application for Constituency before or at credentialing hours at National Convention! You can find the application here: <http://www.nсна.org/Portals/0/Skins/NSNA/pdf/Official%20Application%20for%20Constituency.pdf>

**Also, make sure you have an active NSNA membership before going to convention.**

You can renew here: <https://nsnamembership.org/>

Should you have any problems, please feel free to contact Membership Director North ([cnsamemnorthdir@gmail.com](mailto:cnsamemnorthdir@gmail.com)) or Membership Director South ([cnsamemsouthdir@gmail.com](mailto:cnsamemsouthdir@gmail.com))!

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## **2. CNSA CHAPTER TOOLKIT**

Interested in starting a CNSA School Chapter or want to take your current chapter to new heights? Check out the **BRAND NEW** CNSA Chapter Toolkit! With this new resource, you will find a simple *how-to* for almost every Chapter Board of Director position. In addition, you will find many resources on how to write bylaws,

resolutions, increase membership, keep meeting minutes... the list goes on! Make sure you check out this brand new resource made just for you the chapter! Click the link to learn more: <https://www.cnsa.org/chapter-resources>

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### **3. CALLING FOR LOCAL COMMUNITY HEALTH UPDATES**

SHOW US WHAT YOU'VE GOT! We're still looking for pictures of you and your chapter in action out in the community! Have your chance to be showcased at membership meetings, *Range Of Motion* articles, and convention! Contact Community Health Director, Michelle Heslop, at [cnsacommunityhealth@gmail.com](mailto:cnsacommunityhealth@gmail.com). Looking forward to hearing from you!

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### **4. COMMUNITY HEALTH MONTHLY OBSERVANCE: MARCH IS PATIENT SAFETY AWARENESS!**

March is Patient Safety Awareness month! Show your support and dedication for keeping your patients safe by helping to spread awareness.

Find information and toolkit by visiting the CNSA website (Community Health Committee or Community Health Resources):

<https://www.cnsa.org/community-health-committee>

<https://www.cnsa.org/community-health-resources>

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### **5. WE WANT YOUR GLOBAL BRIGADES PICTURES**

Send a photo of your study abroad/ medical brigade experience abroad and a 1-3 sentence summary about its impact on your current nursing practice to be featured on our website and for a chance to be featured in our newsletter! Email your photos to [cnsaculturalawareness@gmail.com](mailto:cnsaculturalawareness@gmail.com)

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### **6. MEMBERSHIP MEETING NORTH PICTURES**

CNSA Membership Meeting North took place at Sacramento State this February. The event was such a success with over 120 members in attendance! Check out pictures from this event by clicking this link:

<http://cnsapics.smugmug.com/Membership-Meeting-North-2015>

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## **7. COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

### **BYLAWS COMMITTEE**

The Bylaws Committee is responsible for reviewing the bylaws of CNSA and its chapters, recommending corrections or amendments, and preparing and distributing proposed amendments at the annual convention. Time commitment is approximately 1-2 hours per week beginning February 2015, with focus between June and August to prepare proposed bylaw amendments for the annual convention in October.

Submit your name, school name, anticipated date of graduation, and NSNA membership number to the Bylaws Committee Chair, Krystal Scott, at [cnsavicepresident@gmail.com](mailto:cnsavicepresident@gmail.com).

### **COMMUNITY HEALTH**

What to help compile community health awareness campaigns, and be part of the State Convention project? Join the Community Health Committee! Only 4 spots left. We are especially looking for more representation from Northern California, but all regions are more than welcome! If interested, contact our Community Health Director, Michelle Heslop, at [cnsacommunityhealth@gmail.com](mailto:cnsacommunityhealth@gmail.com) and she will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

### **LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

This year's Legislative/Resolutions Committee will be split into two sub-committees: one will work with resolutions and the other will be responsible for keeping track of policy, regulatory, and legislative issues.

If you would like to be on the Legislative/Resolutions committee, please email your name, school name, expected graduation date, and NSNA membership number to [cnsalegislativedir@gmail.com](mailto:cnsalegislativedir@gmail.com). This is a great opportunity to learn and help your fellow nursing students! We promise, this will be an unforgettable learning experience!

### **CULTURAL AWARENESS COMMITTEE**

The Cultural Awareness Committee is looking for committee members. Our committee will advocate for the need of increased culturally-competent nursing practice into nursing curriculum throughout the state, create culture education newsletters, and educate our members about global health. With the diverse volunteer opportunities of this committee, there will be many opportunities for you to be actively involved in CNSA!

If you would like to be on the Cultural Awareness committee, please email your name, school name, expected graduation date, and NSNA membership number to [cnsaculturalawareness@gmail.com](mailto:cnsaculturalawareness@gmail.com).

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## 8. UPCOMING EVENTS

### NATIONAL STUDENT NURSES' ASSOCIATION (NSNA) ANNUAL CONVENTION

**April 8-11, 2015- Phoenix, AZ**

The Annual Convention, held every Spring, attracts thousands of nursing students, faculty, and nurse leaders from across the country. It features keynote speakers, an exhibit hall, focus sessions, an awards ceremony, a Mini-NCLEX® Review, an auction, and many networking events.

Also, NSNA elections will be taking place at this time. Show your support for our fellow California nursing students running for national office this year!

### ANA\C RN DAY AT THE CAPITOL

**April 13, 2015- Sacramento, CA**

Annually ANA\C presents a dynamic educational conference in Sacramento to open the world of policy and legislation in a friendly and easy to understand venue. The goal of this conference is to "open up new avenues of thinking as to how nurses can participate in the legislative process and support the nursing agenda throughout the state of California." ANA\C feels it is important for nurses and student nurses to know and understand that their voice can and will protect and enhance the nursing profession as well as nursing's position in the medical and political arenas.

### NURSING STUDENTS IN SACRAMENTO INTERNSHIP (NSSI)

**April 13-15, 2015- Sacramento, CA**

CNSA invites all California nursing students to apply for this sponsored three-day internship where selected students will be able to train and meet with legislative nursing professionals from the American Nurses' Association\California (ANA\C). Application is available on the CNSA website:

<https://cnsa.memberclicks.net/assets/docs/2015nssi.pdf>

*Application deadline is March 1, 2015.*

**For more information on these events, visit the CNSA website: [www.cnsa.org](http://www.cnsa.org)**

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## 9. WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

We want to know what you think! Your feedback helps CNSA make improvements, so that we can better serve the needs of our California nursing students.

Take our member survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/cnsamember>

(This survey can also be found on the home page of the CNSA website)

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## 10. VISIT THE CNSA CAREER CENTER

Job seekers, your next career opportunity could be closer than you think. Visit the CNSA website or click this link for more information: [http://careers.cnsa.org/home/index.cfm?site\\_id=19439](http://careers.cnsa.org/home/index.cfm?site_id=19439)

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## 11. YOU'RE HIRED! A NURSE'S GUIDE TO SUCCESS IN TODAY'S JOB MARKET

This valuable guide provides resources and tips to help you land a job. It's never too early to begin planning your job search strategy.

Order today at the CNSA website: <http://www.cnsa.org/you-re-hired--book>

CNSA members receive a discount! Also available on Amazon.



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