Dear Colleagues,

As we get ready to end the year, I would like to take a moment to thank the Cal ENA Board of Directors for their support and guidance throughout the year and our committee chairs for all the hard work they have done on your behalf. It has been my privilege and pleasure to serve you. As we end this year, we need to ensure our ER staff is safe and up-to-date on the latest health crisis affecting our nation. Please review the following guidelines and ensure your staff is competent with PPE.

Ebola Triage Recommendations: as of 10.27.14

Immediately upon entrance to the ED, or in advance of entry if possible, a relevant exposure history should be taken including exposure criteria of whether the patient has resided in or traveled to a country with widespread Ebola transmission or had contact with an individual with confirmed Ebola Virus Disease within the previous 21 days. Because the signs and symptoms of Ebola Virus Disease may be nonspecific and are present in other infectious and noninfectious conditions that are more frequently encountered in the United States, relevant exposure history should be first elicited to determine whether Ebola Virus Disease should be considered further. If the patient is unable to provide history due to clinical condition or other communication barrier, history should be elicited from the next most reliable source (e.g. family, friend or EMS provider).

Patients who meet the exposure criteria should be further questioned regarding the presence of signs or symptoms compatible with Ebola Virus Disease. These include: fever (subjective or ≥100.4°F or 38.0°C) or headache, weakness, muscle pain, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain, or hemorrhage (e.g., bleeding gums, blood in urine, nose bleeds, coffee ground emesis or melena).

All patients should be routinely managed using precautions to prevent any contact with blood or body fluids. If an exposure history is unavailable, clinical judgment should be used to determine whether to empirically implement the following protocol. If a relevant exposure history is reported and signs or symptoms consistent with Ebola Virus Disease are present, the following measures should be implemented IMMEDIATELY:

Isolate the patient in a private room or separate enclosed area with private bathroom or covered, bedside commode and adhere to procedures and precautions designed to prevent transmission by direct or indirect contact (e.g. dedicated equipment, hand hygiene, and restricted patient movement). If the patient is arriving by EMS transport, the ED should be prepared to receive the patient in a designated area (away from other patients) and have a process in place for safely transporting the patient on the
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Important Dates
State Board/Council Meetings:
November 13-14: Long Beach
Queen Mary
January 2015: San Francisco/Oakland
March 2015: Sacramento
May 2015: Riverside—Mission Inn
August 2015: Santa Barbara

Next Newsletter Deadline
December 10, 2014

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Lake Tahoe Meeting - August 8, 2014

Treasurer’s Report
- Wells Fargo account still has one chapter to update, may have to do this over again next year.
- Offering $200/chapter to celebrate ED RN Week in October. Expect an email from David.
- Budget worksheets for 2014 will be emailed to chapters and committee chairs. (2010-2014) need to be submitted by September 1.

President’s Report
- State President’s call on 8-28.
- Election results (63 voted):
  President-elect = Janet Williams
  Secretary = Agnes Faria
  Treasurer-elect = Cheryl Graydon
  Director-at-Large = Patrice Christensen
- National ENA Conference in 2016 will be in LA.
- Letters requesting to be Keynote speakers at our annual conference – denied; grad students want us to do their survey.
- CA Nursing Students’ conference in Pomona this October – want us to pay $1300 for a table, but we have only budgeted $500. We may ask to do 2 years for one fee.
- Meeting sites: HTS, a company Carol works for, may give us better hotel rates (Sacto for $104/night). Check to see if local hospital system has a special rate for their employees and partners. Tell Janet if you have access to good rates.
- National ENA Conference – drawing held for one free Registration.
- Website requests should be referred to national, don’t post on our site.
- Judith Kelleher history binder was loaned out and is missing – who has it? Did it go to Gail and UCSF library? It is supposed to go to national.

Board Reports
- Cal ACEP: No report at this time.
- EMS Trauma: No report at this time.
- EMSA Regs are out for comment.
- First State Trauma Plan is out for comment.
- EMSC (Peds) transfer guidelines were passed on the August 5th.
- Community Para-medicine proposal took comments. Carole went to one and gave our message that we do not oppose. Cal ACEP and CNA oppose, but now Cal ACEP has mellowed and CNA did not show up. All the suggestions have been put into the project, so it looks like it will pass.
- Safe Opioids program in San Diego is getting moved to LA.
- Workplace Violence - see QSIP report.
- CHA is out, Ventura is overloaded with studies, so lawyers are needed to vet and we need to make a package for hospitals;
- Try to get at least 7 hospitals to do the feasibility study;
- Should have MOU done by October, then study can start in November, if all goes well.
- Monterey Committee will be asked to come to next two meetings before they are made a chapter.
- Revised State Policies are ready, but are on Susan Smith’s computer. Louise found still a few more to do.
- Scholarships awarded – Board has details.
- Delegates – still need 1 delegate and 1 alternate. (We got all our delegates on time) Delegate handbook is now on line. Reimbursement will be $75/day for 4 days. If your chapter or employer gives you REI, make sure it is for something other than what you get from another source. So submit receipts to state. Wear black pants with your yellow shirts. (and black undershirt)

New Business
- Disaster Educational Opportunities in Anniston, Alabama – 5 day course. Carole has flyer.
- Website – some are having a problem with their email addresses being wrong. – ask Carole.
Chapter News

National Report by Matt Powers

♦ Report on ENA Governance Assessment; (full report given at Indy and available on ENA.org;
♦ Louisiana was 31st state to make assault on an RN a felony;
♦ 3500 members of 411 for contacting legislators;
♦ 87 registrants for GENE course;
♦ Lantern Awards to 17 hospitals;
♦ Wellness.com now has links to ENA.org;
♦ National membership is 40,253;
♦ Budget says we are in the black;
♦ 2015 conference will be in Orlando for a week with Leadership. It will be only 3 half days for GA so we have time for fun.

Resolutions & Bylaws: see them at ENA.org.

ENAF – Cal ENA is giving $5000 to the foundation.

Chapter Reports

Channel Islands – we are looking for nominees for next year’s officers. We are planning an ER Nurses’ Week celebration at the Chumash Casino, probably on October 15, with elections at that meeting. At our next meeting, we will be screening The Waiting Room.

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East Bay – Our meeting on May 28, 2014 at John Muir Medical Center had 6 attendees. Marcy Dixon, RN, the John Muir Base Station Coordinator, did a presentation on EMS base station contact tape reviews. We also had EZ-IQ sponsor our food and gave us hands-on experiences with their product. Our next meeting will be on September 4, 2014 at Kaiser Oakland. We will be showing The Waiting Room.

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Inland Empire – We continue to meet monthly. Our Timely Topics is scheduled for April 17, 2015 at Desert Regional Med Center in Palm Springs. The theme this year is Let’s Get Psyched.

At our September meeting we will be watching The Waiting Room at Desert Regional. We have invited the San Diego, GLA and Orange Coast chapters along with our 335 members to the show. We still have Emergency/Trauma shirts, labeled both Nurse and Staff in blue and white. They are $20 each. Email me if you want some, shipping is free!

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Greater Los Angeles – We are currently seeking nominations for our 2015 Board. On October 7, we are having a Pediatric Education Day at Presbyterian Intercommunity Hospital, co-sponsored by them. In are giving out three $100 scholarships from a percentage of the funds raised from the sale of the EMS Educators’ Challenge Coin that was created by Jean Kirby.

Holly Nagatoshi passionate

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Kern County – We are having a TNCC this weekend, the new 7th edition, August 9 & 10. Thank you to Vicki and her team for coming to Bakersfield. We continue to have monthly meetings.

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Mid-Valley – We met in June and screened The Waiting Room while eating dinner and enjoying movie snacks. We are looking for Board members for next year.

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Monterey Bay Committee – Our next meeting will be August 21 at CHOMP where we will join with Loma Prieta. Our members will be volunteering at Pacific Grove High School to help with student athlete physicals on August 13. On September 20, 2014, we are joining with the Central Coast chapter of AACN (American Association of Critical Care Nurses) to help with their annual critical care educational symposium. We are looking forward to having our charter as an ENA chapter approved in early 2015.

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Orange Coast – We sponsored a CEN Review this past July. It was a success for promoting certification as well as raising funds for the chapter. October’s meeting will be focused on recognition and celebration ENA Week for our members. A raffle will be held with prizes donated through a Cal ENA grant. A presentation by K. Centra on Urgent Warfarin Rever-
Chapter/Committee News

Sacramento – On June 16 we had a Violence in the ED lecture by Dr. Kevin Jones from Cal ACEP. There were 15 attendees and we provided dinner from Chipotle. We had a drawing for 3 paid conference fees for the state Tahoe conference. On July 26 we held a teleconference meeting with 6 members on the line. Plans were made for: to sponsor an Evidence-Based Practice event at North Bay for $250; to support the ENAF Jewelry Auction at national with the donation of a $200-300 item; another SIM Education Day on September 15 with scenarios involving Peds DKA, Peds PEA, Peds trauma and Pre-eclampsia; Sandy is developing a slate of candidates for next year’s board; at the Tahoe Educational event, we plan to honor Cheryl Wraa, who will be inducted into the Academy of Emergency Nursing at national General Assembly in Indianapolis; our August newsletter will be out after State Council. Our September meeting will be on the 30th at North Bay with a sponsor and speaker (Cepheid) from North Bay.

San Diego – Susan Smith, Marty Hay and Linda Broyles taught Hands-Only CPR on June 5th as part of the Sidewalk CPR event. They trained 93 at a school in Chula Vista. Nine chapter members are participating as state delegates at the national General Assembly in Indianapolis this October. Our 2015 Annual 911 Conference will be in Vista, CA, on Friday, April 24th. Details will be forthcoming. Tentative plans are being worked out for a joint chapter meeting with Orange Coast in February 2015. The chapter plans to have a Secret Cookie Service deliver cookies for both day and night shifts to all EDs in our county on Emergency Nurses Day.

San Francisco – We are still basking in our successful ED Symposium this past spring. So far no new meetings have been held, but we are sending 3 members as delegates to General Assembly in Indianapolis.

Committee Reports

EMS Commission - The EMS Commission met in Sacramento on June 18, 2014. The next meeting will be held Sept. 17th in San Diego. The agenda for the September meeting will include a discussion on the Kern County Appeal of the EMS Authority’s Review of their EMS Plan.

The EMS Authority has proposed revisions to the Guidelines for Interfacility Pediatric Trauma and Critical Care Consultation and/or Transfer and to the Guidelines for Pediatric Interfacility Transport Programs. The regulations are out now for the public comment period which ends on Aug. 5, 2014. Efforts to move the Community Paramedicine pilot forward are progressing. The second public meeting was held in Sacramento on July 30th with OSHPD in regards to the pilot programs. This was an open meeting at which public comments were able to be made. It is anticipated that a final decision from OSHPD will not be reached until the fall. Revisions to the POLST form have been approved and the new form should be made available in October.

The Poison Control Center received more monies that will enable them to continue as currently staffed. However, the Mobile Field Hospitals did not get the funding that they had hoped for in able for the program to continue.

EMS – Reports were received from the EMS Commissioner, DAG, Core Measures Task Force, State STEMI and Stroke Task Forces (may be finished by the end of the year) and the HICS Revision Committee (their document is completed and is now on-line).

The EMS Chair discussed Perluxan. Title 22 First Aid Guidelines, the next due-date for comments is August 15. Cal ENA will submit comments on the lack of AED in service training: 21 hours is not enough. What about certification, recertification and background checks?

Community Paramedicine – most likely, the project will be approved. Remember, this is a trial project, not a change in the law. Interfacility Transport guidelines are up for comment and we have submitted.

The State Trauma Plan – The EMS Committee will compose a letter stating we appreciate the effort to standardize trauma response throughout the state. We are pleased and agree with the inclusion of public education and prevention. Also we recommend ENA

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**ENAF Fundraising** – The State Challenge campaign raised $113,203.33 for the Foundation. California’s donation $5,715.08 and qualified us to name a scholarship. This scholarship will be named for Cal ENA Past-President Chris Dimitrikopoulos, who died in 2013.

Funding events at the Annual Meeting will be:  
*The Power of One* presentation by Jeff Solheim on Friday night. Tickets are $50  
The Jewelry Auction will be held throughout Scientific Assembly. Chapters and individuals who wish to donate items may do so by following instructions on the ENA/ENAF website.

ENAF will also offer thumb drives with all of the Scientific Assembly handouts pre-loaded for a $30 donation.

Thanks to the Sacramento chapter members for their prize donations for today’s give-away which raised $345. Today’s funds will be designated to the Judith C. Kelleher Endowment in honor Judy’s birthday which was the 5th of August.

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**Pediatrics** – 15 people attended the August meeting. The majority of our meeting took place with a robust discussion of the need, not only for more ENPC Provider, but the creation of more ENPC Instructor classes. Many attendees were not aware of the process necessary for an individual to become part of the state faculty for ENPC mentoring or Faculty as one who directs an ENPC Instructor course. Initially, they have to be an ENPC Course Director, having directed at least 2 ENPC classes. Next, they observe an ENPC Instructor class, then they participate as an Instructor in an ENPC Instructor class. The final step is to be Course Director of an ENPC Instructor class. Currently, 3 ENPC Instructor Courses for the North and one for the South are in the planning stages.

The committee reminded people that Grant Funding is available from the Pediatric Committee to assist with hosting an ENPC class. ENA Direct Fees and ENPC manuals need to be paid for by the host facility.

We reviewed recent changes to the ENPC Provider course.

Candidates for Regional Directors and Committee Chair will be warmly welcomed.

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**Government Affairs** – MICRA is a proposed law that limits attorney fees so patients, not lawyers, receive more from damage awards. It protects access to healthcare ad ensures that injured patients receive fair compensation while preserving the patient’s access to health care by keeping doctors, nurses and health care providers in practice and hospitals and clinics open. It is supported by ACEP, CHA and the Calif. Medical Association. The committee recommends that Cal ENA write a letter of support.

AB 2536 is going to the governor for his signature. Cal ENA has been asked to send a letter of support to the Governor. The bill supports government-called volunteers for disaster by ensuring their job security when their volunteer work is done. Jan Ogar will write a letter of support to the Governor as recommended by the committee.

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**Quality Safety & Injury Prevention** met with **Leadership & Practice** – The committees met together to discuss the Violence Project and California-written resolutions for GA:  
Violence Project is ready for the feasibility study, but may not be able to do so as planned in Ventura County due to fears of liability. Next steps involves developing a packet for the study hospitals that includes: a Memorandum of Understanding (we will seek legal help with this); a letter from the President of Cal ENA; and an explanation/instruction sheet.

Resolutions discussed were written by Cal ENA RNs: GA14-03, Emergency Nurses Advocate for Reduction in Prescription Drugs; and GA14-04, Patient Education for Mild Traumatic Brain Injuries/Concussions.

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Committee News

**Trauma** – Our checking account has been balanced and submitted to the State Treasurer. As of the end of July, the committee has $22,998.22 in its account. We reviewed the minutes from the TNCC and ENPC Quarterly Conference call. Here are the highlights: About 6,000 instructors went ahead with the TNCC rollout; ENA national is still collecting feedback at [www.feedbacktncc.org](http://www.feedbacktncc.org) through the end of August. They will verify and validate the necessary changes before releasing a changed document; administrative procedures revision is anticipated by January 2015.

The State Trauma Suit is in 2 weeks on Friday, August 22 in Palo Alto from 1200-1700 [www.emsa.ca.gov](http://www.emsa.ca.gov) topics to be discussed are the status of the State Trauma System plan; trauma PI and patient safety including state participation in a national TQIP; RTCC and best practices.

The Trauma committee SOP has been revised and the draft was submitted to the committee board this week.

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**Web and Newsletter** - The printed August Monitor is available on the back table. You can always download digital copies on the web site. Notice was posted on the Cal ENA Facebook page. I am looking for some meaty submissions for the next edition, due out just after General Assembly in Indianapolis for the November issue. I’ll push the deadline up to October 18, 2014, so you will have time to pull your thoughts after the Assembly.

Be sure to fill out the Chapter/Committee Report forms on the tables with info on your chapter or committee. They are also available on the web on the Documents page if you prefer to submit them digitally. Currently the Monitor carries sponsorship graphics for OBP Medical. OBP has a new graphic featuring their new disposable laryngoscope. Please support them.

The web site will be updated with info on our recent elections and the Annual Conference in Tahoe. Several chapters have updated their pages and list upcoming events. If you have your own website or Facebook, let me know on your report and I will include the link. The Education page lists ENPC, TNCC and CEN Review courses that members have told me about. I will be happy to post any events for your chapters. I’d be happy to talk with anyone interested in running the Monitor, the web site or both. I’ll be happy to mentor you and get you started. I am retired now, so I have more time to deal with the site, the newsletter and mentoring.

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**Report from Indy**

Indianapolis is the 12th largest city in the nation, but it is flat, spread out over a large area with a small, nearly traffic-free downtown. The largest building is the JW Marriott hotel, which was the headquarters for the 2014 ENA Annual Conference. It is connected to the gigantic Convention Center, which also connects to the downtown Circle Centre mall, so we could do a lot of walking and exploring without ever going outside. Victory Field, just outside the convention center, is the home of their minor baseball league team. We could look out the window onto the green outfield and diamond. Also nearby is Lucas Oil Stadium, home of the Colts. There must be a lot of oil in Indiana because a large refinery/power plant was steaming just next to the stadium. Train tracks ran right by this plant and frequently carried long freight trains hauling oil tankers. It also ran over the nearby White River that coursed through town. Luckily there were no spills when we were there. Nearby was the White River State Park, with expansive lawns, gardens and a delightful city Zoo. So the scene was set for what was to be a busy and memorable conference.

I was a part of California’s 60 member delegation that met in General Assembly for the first day and a half. We wore bright yellow shirts so we really stood out and there was no question who was from California. We also got to sit up front because our own Matt Powers was sworn in as ENA President 2015.

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This year ENA decided to go paperless and did not pass out booklets with the General Assembly Agenda and the list of Bylaws and Resolutions. They were only available online, but some delegates downloaded them to their tablets and laptops. This was the best plan, because the WiFi never really worked in the meeting room of the JW Marriott where we met for a day and a half. Items for discussion were posted on the large screens in front of the room and debate was still carried out as usual. There were 10 Resolutions and 10 proposed Bylaws amendments. Some of the Bylaws amendments involved name changes and the election process. One involved granting free memberships to RNs over 65 who had been ENA members for at least 15 years. (defeated). There was talk about spending less time on minute details and more time on practice issues, as reflected in the Resolutions, but nurses are very detail-minded and we still spent time on the Bylaws. But we got the work done on the Resolutions, including use of Narcan, post-concussion injury instructions, creating a national trauma system, standardizing emergency codes and orientation guidelines. See the full report in the next edition of the ENA Connection.

For me, the whole purpose of going to ENA’s Annual Meeting is the chance to meet old friends, make new ones and learn about the practice of emergency nursing across the country. Being a delegate at General Assembly is a great starting place because the group is limited to 700, yet represents RNs from the entire country and internationally. The fun begins when the Scientific Assembly opens on the second day. Thousands more RNs come, the exhibit hall opens and the parties happen every night. This year, the attendance was a little lower, with only about 2200 nurses and 185 exhibitors. Our national president, Deena Brecher, was very in tune with current events. She had been approached by the media to talk about how an ED RN could miss an Ebola patient at Triage. She said she was not going to play the “blame game”. But she was going to let them know that ED RNs are prepared. She took a quick show of hands among the RNs at the Board meeting and found that most RNs had already had training at their facilities about dealing with contagious Ebola patients. Not really evidence-based, but she said it served to get us off the hook - she could tell the press that nurses and hospitals are prepared.

If you weren’t a delegate, there were some special classes (for extra fees) that included a Cadaver Lab to practice procedures, such as intubation, suturing and dissection. If you did not know about LEAN, you could have spent a whole day in a workshop with experts. And if you are in advanced practice, there were several workshops for Nurse Practitioners and Masters-prepared nurses. Then there were the Poster Presentations – a whole hallway dedicated to posters of cool projects that nurses and hospitals had done to improve patient care in an evidence-based way. I got some tips on using volunteers in the ED and dealing with pain.

Once the General Assembly was over, the Exhibit Hall opened and two days of classes started. I love the Exhibit Hall, there are lots of interesting people to talk to, they have a lot of fun giveaways and now they have more on-site classes for CE. How about the AHA CPR Throwdown, the Stryker 500 Relay Challenge, I/O classes, info on the latest cardiac, seizure and pediatric meds? I didn’t win anything this year, but I wish all ED RNs had the opportunity to see all this stuff in one place. The Foundation Jewelry Silent Auction was in the middle of the Exhibit Hall and this was also successful. It included lots of interesting gold and silver jewelry, watches, rings, pens and unique items. The Welcoming Party took place Thursday night. Each venue tries to outdo the year before and this was no exception. A great local band, Endless Summer, played for the entire 3 hours and the dance floor was always full. In fact, it was shaking so much I thought we were having an earthquake. But this was Indianap-
A special ENA Foundation event on Friday night, *The Power of One*, was moderated by Jeff Solheim. He highlighted the outstanding lives of 6 nurse heroes from around the globe who did extraordinary things – starting a church and school in a slum in Africa; giving medical care and starting and running an orphanage in Africa; saving the life of a young Peruvian burn victim by raising funds to bring him to America for treatment; recognizing the needs of young women both abroad and at home for sanitary help during their periods by making and distributing reusable absorbent underwear. He brought all of them to the presentation and they spoke to us. It was truly moving.

Finally, the Closing Address was given by John Nance, a fast-talking funny man who helped us deal with the constant changes that are always occurring in our professional lives (as well as in our personal ones). Organizations and individuals who can adapt and even bring about change are the ones who will succeed in the challenges of the future.

The conference closed with the always entertaining Stryker Farewell Matinee, where we get to see a montage of photos taken throughout the 5 days of the conference. It is fun to see if you can find yourself. I was in it this year, as well as quite a few from California.

*Mark Wandro*
stretcher to the isolation area with minimal contact with non-essential healthcare workers or the public. To minimize transmission risk, only essential healthcare workers with designated roles should provide patient care. A log should be maintained of all personnel who enter the patient’s room. All healthcare workers who have contact with the patient should put on appropriate PPE based on the patient’s clinical status. If the patient is exhibiting obvious bleeding, vomiting, copious diarrhea or a clinical condition that warrants invasive or aerosol-generating procedures (e.g., intubation, suctioning, active resuscitation), PPE designated for the care of hospitalized patients as outlined in \textit{CDC guidance}\* should be used. If the patient requires active resuscitation, this should be done in a pre-designated area using equipment dedicated to the patient. If these signs and symptoms are not present and the patient is clinically stable, healthcare workers should at a minimum wear: 1) face shield, 2) surgical face mask, 3) impermeable gown and 4) two pairs of gloves. All equipment used in the care of these patients should not be used for the care of other patients until \textit{appropriate evaluation and decontamination}. Notify the Hospital Infection Control Program and other appropriate staff and report to the relevant local health department immediately of patients with Ebola Virus Disease exposure history regardless of symptoms. Once appropriate PPE has been put on, continue obtaining additional history and performing physical examination and routine diagnostics and interventions which may include placement of peripheral IV and phlebotomy. The decision to test patient for Ebola Virus Disease should be made in consultation with the relevant local health department. Patient evaluation should be conducted with dedicated equipment as required for patients on transmission-based precautions.

\*\textit{CDC Guidance on Personal Protective Equipment To Be Used by Healthcare Workers During Management of Patients with Ebola Virus Disease in U.S. Hospitals, Including Procedures for Putting On (Donning) and Removing (Doffing)}

\textit{Carole Snyder}\n\textit{Cal ENA 2014 President}
Volunteer Opportunity

Mark is retiring! I’d be happy to talk with anyone interested in running the Monitor, the web site or both. I’ll be happy to mentor and get you started. You are welcome to implement your own ideas for the continuation of the Monitor and the web site.
Next Meeting

Thursday, November 13, 2014
Board Meeting: 4-8pm

Friday, November 14, 2014
State Council Meeting: 8am-4pm

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