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Important Dates
2017 State Council Meetings:
November 17th, Kona Kai Resort, San Diego

Annual Educational Event
November 16th
Kona Kai Resort, San Diego

2018 Meetings
January 5, 2018 Laguna Beach
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**Highlights of August 11 State Council Meeting**
*San Francisco, 2017*

Information was shared at the mornings Chapter Rep meeting on the ENA State Achievement Award. Please help us to work on documenting your chapter’s participation in these events:
1. Succession planning—what are you doing to recruit new members?
2. Interaction with Committees and Chapters
3. New Leader Orientation
4. Voting—demonstrate improvement in chapter and state voting participation.
5. Collaboration with other professional organizations such as student nurse organizations in your area.
6. Education—share your chapter’s educational events.
7. Certification support—what does your chapter do for certification recognition and to support certification review classes.
8. Evidence based practice—National speakers, posters or presenters from your chapter to National conferences and symposiums.
9. Membership—ways your chapter is growing members.
10. Engaging members—ways your chapter is engaging members.
11. Expired membership—are you keeping up on members who have let their membership lapse?
12. Member feedback—do you have a mechanism to receive and respond to member feedback?

Thank you for all that you do!!!

Checkout our California ENA website and blog in [http://www.californiaena.org/blog/](http://www.californiaena.org/blog/)

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**Committee Reports:**

**Education Committee:**
Plans are coming together for the Annual Educational Event "Emergency Care on the Bay" November 16th at the Kona Kai Resort in San Diego. Registration information on the Cal ENA website. Speakers and topics coming soon. Requesting all Chapters, The BOD and Committees to donate something for the Educational Events opportunity drawings if possible. Donations are greatly appreciated.

-Dianne L Idman-Gervais, RN,CEN,MICN

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**EMS Committee:**
While we had multiple committee reports there were two items that initiated much discussion. The first was the Wall Time report and the second referred to AB 909. Wall time/APOT (Ambulance Patient Offload Times): Time study, will collate data, but saw no seasonal trends or improvements. Increasing patient loads affecting wall times. This information will provide an official report. Times vary from 20 minutes to 7 hours. There is a bigger umbrella for throughput times in general, not just wall time. In Solano County, 20 minute offload time is a rule, but is not binding. May grandfather in that time as “law” there. Stop and start times are still not consistent from rig to rig. In some areas, all BLS go to waiting room, ALS stays in ED. They are doing quick registration at

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Opportunity Drawing items! Always a chance to win a little something to love!
the back door, and that is the time the ED is capturing. One area is using 2 volunteers on every shift to do the tracking. There is a lot of work ahead and CHA is helping us with this. Sobering Center concepts are working in SF. The city of LA and Santa Clara County are also opening Sobering Stations. AB909 – Emergency Response Trauma kits in all public buildings promoting the Stop the Bleeding program. Kits will include 2 tourniquets and trauma dressings. Discussion related to tactical use of tourniquets. SFFD is training to that standard. ACOS is supporting and we should support with the caveat that Sidewalk CPR type training be included. Other legislation discussed included AB1204: Prehospital Emergency Prescriptions, AB820: Community Paramedicine alternate destinations and AB871: OES Programs.

- Judy Scott, MHA, RN, PHN, FAEN

EMS Commissioner:
Statewide Trauma Planning
• The Trauma Plan was revised and renamed. This does not require the same levels of approvals a state-approved plan, which had unforeseen challenges. • The American College of Surgeons’ Report on the California state-level trauma system review has now been posted on the EMSA website.

APOT
The first data on the ambulance patient offload times has started to arrive. The data confirms that the problem is localized, but it also confirms that the problem can be managed, since some health care systems with similar volumes have resolved the problem. Further data will point out examples of best practices and will also point out which medical centers the local EMS agencies and the California Hospital Association (CHA) need to work with to help improve this problem.

Community Paramedic Pilot Program Update
The majority of the projects are moving forward with no difficulties. The Alternate Destination Urgent Care Project has relatively few patients enrolled to date. The UCLA Project in Santa Monica terminated on June 1st at the request of the fire chief due to the lack of patient enrollment. The Carlsbad and Orange County urgent care projects are still active but do not have enough enrollees to support meaningful data analysis. The San Francisco City and County Alternate Destination Sobering Center project is growing and is enrolling over one hundred patients per month.

-Carole Snyder

Government Affairs:
Old Business:
SB 419 failed
SB 562 Healthy CA – single payer – bill held
SB 746 – sports physical exam – Oppose unless amended. Bill adds chiropractic, naturopathic, and NPs to the list of practioners able to perform Sport Physicals. We support NPs to be allowed to perform the sports physicals due to their increased level of expertise and training.

Bills currently being tracked:
AB6: morphed into something else. Scratched
AB40: CURES database. Appropriations (for bills over $5000) Following
AB182: Opioid Addiction. Suspense file
AB263: Rest & meal periods – Primarily affects flight nurses. Still need to be monitoring pages, but if no rest or meal period, they must be compensated. Suspense file
AB337: Pay for student interns – Inactive
AB402: Occupational safety & health standards… plumes in surgery. Suspense file
AB437: Emergency Services – release of info to First Responders regarding violent patients, mental health, & people with disabilities. Patient privacy information issues, is it really accessible to the right people?
Committee Reports

AB451: Health facilities/emergency care for psych patients. Would require fewer regulations than hospitals for these facilities. ie: Psychiatric Health Clinic. Are they really at the right place? Ie: elevated blood sugars. Does it pertain to pedi?

AB562: Related to CA state auditor. Appropriations

AB820: 2 yr bill. Community Paramedicine pilots: Data collection is in progress. This bill only addresses taking mental health pts to the ED for clearance before going to a psych care.

AB882: 2 yr bill – Pupil health services/school nurses. Task force to bring school nurses back together for more cohesive. Held in committee-remained in suspense

AB1014: Diesel back up generator. Required to check based on federal requirements.

AB1102: Whistleblower protections

AB1116: CISM Services Act. Referred to Appropriations

SB247: Hospital licensing requirements

SB419: Pain management of minors – failed in committee. Restricted prescriptions of Percocet to pediatric patients. (Our discussion included the comment, “What about pediatric oncology patients?”) Reconsideration granted.

AB432: EMS – looks like this is going to go through. EMS must be notified if they are exposed to something communicable. Local PH identifies these people. First responders don’t think it is sufficient. This would make the hospital responsible. (Go thru infection control?) Is notifying employer sufficient? If not, the hospital won’t have the contact info.Basically, this is a done deal.

SB443: EMS automated drug delivery system

SB554: NP independent practice – Would require NPs to take an annual class to become qualified to provide Suboxone (for opioid addiction). It also includes PAs. It would require 24 hours of initial training. Does state law already require MDs to have the same training? Sounds like it is a done deal.

Sign up for National GAC alerts and updates on ENA’s website:

https://www.ena.org/home#advocacy-policy

-Kara Davis*

* Note Al and Leslie Duke were not at this meeting so I filled in. Thank you to everyone who attended and provided some great discussion on the issues. A special thanks to Diane St. Denis for taking notes. And thank you to Debby Rogers for her knowledge, expertise and insight.

IQSIP:
The committee was presented with the major component to the proposed “user friendly” toolkit helping facilities implement and meet Standards for Violence in the Workplace now in effect by CALOSHA. Kelly Austin presented a reformatted version of the California Hospital Association guidelines. Kelly broke the Standards down into sections that are easy to use, with each section referencing back to the section of the CHA guidelines and the CALOSHA Standards. Although the guidelines Kelly Austin used to develop the toolkit is not copyright protected, and permission is given for sharing in the book, Kelly will present her work to CHA for their approval prior to posting to the CALENA website.

In addition to the tools adapted by Kelly, the toolkit will have links to existing information and tools on the ENA website, along with other resources.

SB 96, a mid-year Budget Trailer Bill that increases fines by as much as 78% from the original Standards, was presented.

Attendees were also cautioned to be aware of massive California workers’ compensation system fraud by unscrupulous medical providers and attorneys are using “cappers” to recruit workers to file fraudulent claims, costing employers millions of dollars annually.

-Susan Laverty
Pediatric Committee:
Summary of meeting: Discussion of the updated ENA website and ease, or lack of ease of use. Some people enjoy it, some do not. Generally, more clicks to get to areas looking for. Not easy to find courses for people not familiar with the site. Discussion through ENA Connect regarding recommendations for upgrade during revision. There is recommendation to move more lecture time to online modules. However, if there are more online modules, there needs to be a way to verify that the student has completed it. Also a request to make ENPC and TNCC match on the There are many pediatric relevant educational opportunities: November 9, 2017 EMSC conference in Sacramento; September 18, 2018 3 day FEMA pediatric course at Loma Linda; August 17, 2017 Day of pediatrics Children's Hospital Orange County; September 8, 2017 Child Abuse education at Cottage Hospital Santa Barbara, and at National ENA there is a poster presentation from Sutter Sacramento regarding their change of their waiting room to a "Pediatric Playroom" for their pediatric emergency department.

-Brandon Stinnett

Trauma Committee: Great group discussion of the following agenda items: - TNCC 1 Day Refresher-Discussion and feedback from course directors and instructors: The course is being conducted by several course directors throughout the state, some experiencing high student failure rates. What we are learning is that students should be advised of the need to study prior to the class, and that they must come prepared to practice skills and test. In general the refresher is geared to experienced emergency nurses who are regularly involved with the care of trauma patients. The refresher course in general is getting high marks from TNCC instructors who enjoy the all day skills practice with students. - New ENA Website: some love the layout of the new website, while some course directors and instructors are finding it a little tough to navigate. In general, it was recommended that those who need to use the website, spend some time going into the website, doing the tutorial, reading the emails from ENA and then providing feedback if they are still having problems finding what they need. - Stop the Bleed Campaign (STB): The American College of Surgeons is encouraging trauma centers to adopt the program and incorporate it into their injury prevention programs. There was a discussion as to what target audiences were being used initially in rolling out the program. Some centers have rolled STB programs out to their own staff, some have targeted law enforcement and others school systems. Santa Barbara started with law enforcement and because it so well received, ended up training the entire Police Department. Stop the Bleed draws our attention to the importance of hemorrhage control prior to EMS/ED arrival and its impact on reducing hemorrhage related trauma deaths. Stop the Bleed efforts are being embraced by Trauma Centers, however any ED nurse can attend this training and participate in injury prevention in his or her community. Ongoing Business: Santa Barbara TNCC-Instructor Course - October course has been postponed to winter 2018 date TBD. Appears to be an ample supply of TNCC courses across the state. No new requests for grant money have been received. Roundtable Discussion- Trauma News & Happenings in your area: Committee members voiced that they have noted an increase in pediatric falls out of second floor windows, drowning from lack of life vests, and auto vs pedestrian related trauma in their centers. Several members mentioned that in looking at these incidences, many pedestrians were using their phones and ear buds. Discussion ensued about grass roots injury prevention activities. All emergency nurses can be involved with injury prevention activities, this can happen at the individual patient level, or organizationally. Partnering with public health, law enforcement and other public and private agencies can increase your effectiveness and assist with funding even in a time of low budgets. Trauma Education across the state: (Please add these to the CAL-ENA Website) • Symposium on Child Abuse: Prevention, Recognition, & Education- September 8- Santa Barbara, Eventbrite.com • The 2017 East Bay Trauma Symposium- September 19- Oakland- eastbaytrauma.com • Totally Trauma 2017- October 23 & 24- Sonoma- www.tecba.org • San Diego Day Of Trauma - Scripps San Diego- November 3- med.edu@scrippshealth.org Thank you!

-Sue Fortier
Greater Los Angeles Chapter

Wanted to share with you info about a recent volunteer event in which members of the GLA chapter participated. On August 25 we took part in Homeless Care Day at MacArthur Park in Los Angeles. This event was organized by the LA Homeless Services Authority. We worked alongside other groups such as St. John's Hospital with their mobile health clinic, the Dept. Of Public Services, Dept of Mental Health, Condom Nation that did point of care HIV and Hepatitis testing and services designed specifically for veterans. Our group handed out 100 + hygiene kits with socks, toothbrush, toothpaste, hand sanitizer, shampoo, conditioner, and lotion. During the event several individuals received permanent housing thanks to the amazing efforts of the LA Homeless Services case managers. It was a rewarding event, one that we plan to repeat in the future.  

-Ruth Keniston

Love this!!!
Way to go!

Left to right: Alicia Foley, Christine Zaiser, Ruth Keniston, Laurie Mejia, and Carole Snyder
Chapter News

Kern
Our chapter is in a summer hiatus right now. We are planning to do a educational event in the fall or early spring of next year.

-Lark Bowyer

Orange Coast
OCENA is updating our contact list of hospital representatives and adding local nursing schools for outreach. OCENA Board has volunteered to come speak at staff meetings and school events and have been sending the National ENA PPT on benefits of membership out to be presented at their meetings. The last event at Seasons 52 had 34 attendees with a speaker on blood culture decontamination device. We raised $91.18 handing around the T-Shirt piggy bank for the national fundraiser. We also announce four scholarship recipients, 2 for the $500 each Gary Sparger scholarship and 1 for $1000 for the Vicki Dippner Robertson scholarship. CONGRATULATIONS TO CHOC for receiving the prestigious Lantern Award!! We are ecstatic to have 10 delegates and 4 first time delegates for the National ENA Conference in St. Louis. We are still recruiting for board and chapter committee members. Our last meeting is planned for December 6th at Seasons 52 in Costa Mesa. Also, planning a yoga retreat during Emergency Nurses Week and a CPEN review later this year. Like us on Facebook, follow us in Instagram and Twitter!

-Megan Duke

Sacramento
Back by popular demand, we had a Chapter meeting and education event on July 12th in Drug Trends and Concentrated Marijuana.

-Jeremy Elrod

San Diego
Six chapter members are going to St Louis as State of California delegates this year. SD will be co sponsoring the 3rd Annual Bonfire after the Educational Event on Nov 16. Mercy Air has generously agreed to sponsor light appetizers. Flyer coming soon. Pre-registration required. December 7, 2017 we will be having our Annual Holiday get together. This year it will be a "sip and Paint" at Pinot's Palette at Liberty Station. More information closer to the event. Congratulations to Sharp Memorial ED on achieving their second ENA Lantern Award! Great job!!

-Dianne L Idman-Gervias, RN

Inland Empire
The Inland Empire has had a very busy couple of months! In June we had a resume/Interview workshop that was open to students from all of our local nursing schools. We had GREAT attendance and a lot of interest in the ENA. In June and July we hosted a CEN and a CPEN review with great attendance. In order to celebrate those that got their certifications we are hosting a dinner party for all of those that have gotten their CEN, CPEN or TCRN this month. It should be lots of fun! Instead of our traditional meeting in July we hosted the distracted drivers course that the CHP puts on. We had great attendance with a lot of new interest in the ENA. Since our last state meeting in May we have 42 new members! This fall we are looking forward to an awesome fundraiser at a local brewery. We are excited to see what these next few months bring!

-Jillian Lee, RN

SF Chapter
The chapter is sending three delegates to EN17 in St. Louis: Judy Scott, Mindy Elayda and Mark Wandro. They are getting stipends from the chapter because we can afford it this year. Cheryl, our president, is on the national committee and will also be presenting at the conference.

-Mark Wandro
Highlights from St Louis

ENA General Assembly
St. Louis, MO - Marriott Grand Hotel
Day 1 - September 12, 2017
606 delegates, out of a possible 700.

ACEP MD working on ways to reduce burnout - work together, feel safe from administration, patients and others. Reduce endless committee meetings. Be sincere, be brief and be seated! Let’s have a joint delegation to bring a united message when we go to DC for Day on the Hill.

The president of AAENP (American Academy of Emergency Nurse Practitioners) spoke. It is a new organization, only about 3 years old. Their organization is modeled after ENA, but different than AANP.

Nancy MacRae, the new ENA Executive Director reports the new ENA office will be in Schaumburg, IL, just 20 minutes from the previous office in Des Plaines.

Day 2 - September 13, 2017
602 delegates
Achievement Awards were presented at last night’s Networking Party and it was surprise to awardees. There will now be a Hall of Honor to showcase all the different award winners at EN 2017.

The revised Bylaws format was really new and it seemed hard to compare new and old. Alerts were sent out but not all delegates saw them. In the end, the Revised Bylaws were not passed, but were sent back for further review and will be on the agenda next year.

Nevada had a fundraiser to build a Lego House. Members could buy Lego blocks to add to the house for $1. They raised $1100 each for Houston and Florida disaster relief.

Problems with the new web site were discussed. The Delegate Resources were very hard to find. They were nested several levels deep.

US Territories like Guam, are defined in our current Bylaws. Our international members may want to have their own chapters or “state councils.”

This year they took away the Reference Hearings where members could talk with authors of Resolutions. We missed a valuable resource and many want it back. We just had the ability to write amendments to change a Resolution and there was sometimes duplication and lack of understanding of the intent. Out of the 9 Resolutions, most were passed, notably the one on Gun Safety, which was controversial, but passed as educational and did not call for background checks or restrictions on gun sales. Others that passed with some modifications were: Public Access to Bleeding Control Kits; ED Preparedness to Care for Children; ED Geriatric Readiness and Toolkit; Care of LGBTQIA Patients.

State Leaders’ Orientation, now referred to as “SLO”, will be on January 18-21, 2018, in New Orleans.

Mark Wandro

Save the date for ENA 2018 in Pittsburgh, PA
September 26-29, 2018
August Meeting

Friday, November 10, 2017
State Council Meeting:
8am-4pm

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