

The Pulse



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Upcoming Dates:

ER Nurses Week:
 Oct 8-12

**Education by the Bay: San
 Diego**

November 8, 2018

**Cal ENA State meeting: all
 ENA members welcome, free
 CE!**

November 9, 2018

San Diego

President's Message:

Happy Emergency Nurses Week!

This week is a time to reflect on the great work you are all doing everyday of the year. Several members of our chapter just returned from the Emergency Nurses Association National Conference in Pittsburgh, PA. There's nothing like more than three thousand ED nurses in one room to get you excited about your career. Great keynote speakers, classes on a variety of topics, networking opportunities, and don't forget fun. Belonging to ENA gives ED nurses support and allows you to see what your colleagues around the World are doing. I spoke with a nurses from New York, North Dakota, Washington, Norway, and England about their challenges and it sure reminded me how good we have it here in the Golden State. The General Assembly is the voting body of ENA and this past week, they voted on resolutions that ENA will support and encourage work on, including support for the Emerging Professional. The highlights of the week for me included the Chapter Leaders event, the Certification Breakfast, attending lectures by other California nurses, including Sheila Smith who was the Charge Nurse at Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital last year on the night fires destroyed their city, and the keynote speakers, including the great Dr. Scott Weingard from EMCRI. The lectures, poster presentations, and general sessions covered a variety of topics, but the main concept is still the same, ED nurses are smart, resilient, and unique. Please consider joining us for local ENA chapter events and traveling to Austin, TX next fall for the ENA national conference. Be proud of the work you do every day, but this week especially, celebrate how special ED nurses are. I am so privileged to be part of this amazing group of people. Thank you for all you do!



Great times at National ENA Conference!

Government Affairs Update:

Awesome conference!

Signed into law Sept 30, 2018: SB1152

This bill will require each hospital to include a written homeless patient discharge planning policy and process within the hospital discharge policy, as specified. The bill would require a hospital to document specified information before discharging a homeless patient. The bill would, commencing on July 1, 2019, require a hospital to develop a written plan for coordinating services and referrals for homeless patients with the county behavioral health agency, health care and social service agencies in the region, health care providers, and nonprofit social service providers, as available, to assist with ensuring appropriate homeless patient discharge.

Signed into law: Sept 10, 2018:

The passage of AB 2760 requires all prescribers (hospitalists, surgeons, OB, ED) to offer naloxone prescriptions whenever:

The daily dosage equals or exceeds 90 morphine mg equivalents (ie: a Norco 10 mg equals 10 morphine mg equivalents, Tramadol 50 mg = 11.5 morphine equivalents)

The patient has been concurrent prescriptions for narcotics and benzodiazepines (this practice has been black boxed by the FDA)

High risk patients, including h/o

OD

Substance Abuse d/o

Risk of return to high dose to which patient is no longer tolerant

**EMERGENCY CARE BY THE BAY
2018**

**CA ENA 7TH ANNUAL CALIFORNIA
EMERGENCY NURSING CONFERENCE
NOVEMBER 8, 2018 0800-17:00
KONA KAI RESORT & SPA SAN DIEGO
REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 7:30**

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:

TERRY M. FOSTER, RN- FEATURED RN ON "UNTOLD STORIES OF THE ER"
DR. KEVIN MENES- ATTENDING PHYSICIAN SUNRISE HOSPITAL ROUTE 91 SHOOTING

OTHER TOPICS INCLUDE:

- Emerging infectious diseases
- Bariatric care
- The Colorado Marijuana experience
- Hot Topics Panel
- Alternatives to Opioids (ALTO)
- Peer Support

Registration \$75.00

TO REGISTER: <http://www.californiaena.org/education/>
Hotel Room information \$199.00/night + resort fee
(Register early this event sold out last year)
Continental Breakfast and Lunch provided
Free Parking on Street or Valet \$10.00 with validation



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National ENA News:



Join us for Emergency Nursing 2019 Sept. 29- Oct. 2 in Austin, Texas! General Assembly is Sept. 28-29



Chapter News:

Do you have an idea for a chapter activity? Reach out to any of the chapter officers. Be sure to check our website for future meetings:

<http://www.californiaena.org/sacramento-chapter/>

Or on facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/39078452583/>



ENA State Meeting:

Please join us for the California ENA State Council meeting on November 9, 2018 in Kona Kai Resort & Spa. All are welcome! Make your hotel reservations email by October 6th to secure the ENA rate of \$199. Reservations can be made by emailing Susan Smith at susansmithena@gmail.com,