# NAPNAP OREGON CHAPTER

# President's Message

New starts come in many forms and various times of the year. Of course, traditionally New Year's brings to mind resolutions and a fresh start of things to come. For me, fall is another new start, with another school year ahead; not only does it mark the change in my children but, because I work in a school based health clinic, it marks the change in the students in my practice. This fall brings another change and beginnings. The NAPNAP Oregon chapter has a changing of the guards every two years so to speak. Teri Woo has been chapter president for the last two years and we are thankful for her service. As of July, I am now the acting president and am excited to begin my two-year service to Pediatric Nurse Practitioners of Oregon.

As with many new beginnings, I am excited, nervous, anxious and ready to get started. First, I want to acknowledge and reinforce the name change to our organization. We are officially NAPNAP- Oregon Chapter. With in the next few months I hope to unveil our new updated logo to reflect this change. Many of us still utter OPNPA and habits are hard to break. I do want us to see ourselves not only as a state organization of peers, but also a piece of the larger national organization; an organization, which supports the health of children.

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I have been a NAPNAP member for 18 years. There are many benefits to being a member; see the box entitled Member Benefits for a review (last page). It is the local membership in the Oregon Chapter, which supports my need for professional dialogue, camaraderie, and networking. There are approximately 100 Pediatric Nurse Practitioners in the state. We work in various practices and in various roles. I am always amazed at the work all of you do in supporting the health of children. I so enjoy sharing work stories, gleaning pearls of wisdom, catching up with old friends, and meeting new nurse practitioners who are enthusiastic and eager to enter the exciting world of being a PNP. Coming together fuels my embers and reignites my energy. Of course our mission also includes continued education. To that end, we have a couple of exciting events to share. I look forward to serving on the NAPNAP Oregon Chapter board and continuing an organization that supports our role as pediatric nurse practitioners through education, networking, out reach, and camaraderie.

Thank you, Tamra Kehoe, CPNP

# Mark Your Calendars for a fall lecture/ dinner!

Wednesday, November 6th, 2013 6:30p-9pm OHSU SON, ROOM 107

Meet up with your PNP Colleagues and Friends for an evening of education, dinner, and introductions.

Featured guest: Martha (Martí) Dríessnack PhD, PNP-BC

Associate Professor, OHSU SON

Lecture: Integrating Art in your Pediatric Practice

Dr. Dreissnack will also speak about the OHSU PNP program and available for questions/answers

Please RSVP to: Serena Kelly @ <u>phromsív@ohsu.edu</u> by November 1<sup>st</sup> 1 hour CE, no charge.

Dinner and drinks provided.

### Legislative Update

The following bills passed in 2013 that have a great impact to PNPs and the children we serve:

**HB 2445** Codifies a relationship between State and school-based health centers, with direction to OHA in supporting and expanding the continuation of SBHCs

**HB 2649** Provides \$500,000 in grant monies to support Farm to School programs in Oregon's schools

**HB 2902** Gives pay equity for NPs and PAs with physician services

**HB 2992** Allows low-income mothers and seniors to use SNAP and WIC benefits to purchase fresh foods at local farmer's markets and stands

**HB 3000** Requires public schools to do vision screening or eye examinations at age 7 for students

**SB 132** Requires parents to affirm that they have received information about benefits of immunizations before declining to vaccinate their children in advance of enrollment at school

**SB 436** Requires CCOs to include in community health improvement plan strategy for use of SBHCs

**SB 444** Makes it a class D offense if you are smoking in a car with a child present SB 5543 Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement allocated funding tobacco

# SAVE THE DATE:

SPRING CONFERENCE
SATURDAY APRIL 26TH
OHSU VEY CONFERENCE CENTER

We are excited to work on the annual spring conference. Many hands make light work, and I invite you to join the planning committee. We will be meeting next in early November and we'd be delighted for you to participate. At a minimum, we welcome your ideas and suggestions for speakers and/or areas of interest. We want NAPNAP Oregon Chapter to be a presence for you; to support not only your educational needs but also be a place of shared experience and community. Any correspondence can be sent to:

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#### **JOB OPENING:**

#### Pediatric Nurse Practitioner

- Interested in Integrative Medicine
- Open to alternative vaccine schedule
- Hours per week are negotiable
- Knowledge with Centricity/EMR/Spanish is a plus
- Pediatric Urgent Care experience a plus
- Team player, Reliable, Hard-working
- Exhibits confidence in abilities and skills
- Excellent organizational skills
- Interested in growing with our company

Qualified applicants should reply with a **resume and cover letter**. Closing date for applications not determined. The hiring process will include a criminal background check.

Our company is an equal opportunity employer. CONTACT: kristend@drpaul.md



# 2014 CONFERENCE ON PEDIATRIC HEALTH CARE STRENGTH IN CHILDREN'S HEALTH

35<sup>™</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Hynes Convention Center • Boston, MA • March 11 - 14, 2014



he National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners is pleased to invite you to the 35<sup>th</sup>Annual Conference that will be held on March 11-14, 2014 at the Hynes Convention Center and Sheraton Boston Hotel in Boston, MA. Registration will start **October**, 2013. Additional details will be available soon.

#### Conference Highlights:

Three Certification Review Courses will be offered at 2014 NAPNAP Conference:

**PNP Certification Review Course- Acute Care** 

Monday, March 10, 2014 8:00 am – 5:30 pm and Tuesday, March 11, 2014 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

**PNP Certification Review Course- Primary Care** 

Friday, March 14, 2014 8:00 am – 6:00 pm and Saturday, March 15, 2014 8:00 am – 5:00 pm **Pediatric Mental Health Specialist Certification Review Course** 

## NAPNAP Member Benefits

- New Daily coverage of pediatric healthcare news through <u>PNP Daily News</u>
- Discounts through <u>NAPNAP's Vacation Center</u> (when booking mention you are with NAPNAP)
- Access to hundreds of job openings through the NAPNAP Career Connection
- Continuing education through NAPNAP's online learning community PNP SOURCE
- Complimentary copies of Ready, Set, Grow: Raising Healthy Kids a magazine written for parents with children between the ages of 5-18
- Opportunities to participate in Special Interest Groups to network with peers whose practice relates to yours.
- A network of 48 local chapters to support you where you live and work, as well as the networking and support of over 7,500 colleagues in the NAPNAP family.
- Discounted registration to NAPNAP's Conference, where you can earn up to 20 contact hours of continuing education toward maintaining your certification and licensure.
- A subscription to the bimonthly *Journal of Pediatric Health Care*, the only journal focused exclusively on clinical issues in pediatric health care from the NP's perspective.
- Optional complimentary subscription to Pediatric News.
- Research mentoring and notification regarding funding opportunities from the NAPNAP Research Committee.
- Nursing research funding opportunities supported by the NAPNAP Foundation, Inc.
- · Discounts on NAPNAP publications.

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