

# NAPNAP

## NORTH CAROLINA CHAPTER



Hello NC Chapter of NAPNAP!

I am honored to be your next President for 2023-2025! My goal is to empower pediatric advanced practice registered nurses to better serve the pediatric population of North Carolina. Our chapter aims to provide additional resources and support to help accomplish this goal.

### PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Kristi Hildebrand,  
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The NC Chapter NAPNAP Fall Symposium is quickly approaching on October 13. We have an exciting lineup including Gale Adcock, a family nurse practitioner and our NC Senator! We hope you will join us to reconnect with friends and colleagues.

Special thanks to our incredible board members for all their hard work and dedication!

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## **30th Annual NC NAPNAP Symposium**

**Friday, October 13, 2023**

**NC State McKimmon Center (Raleigh, NC)**

Planning for our annual fall conference is well under way! Our breakfast keynote speaker will be NC State Senator Gale Adcock, and there will be a variety of pediatric primary and acute care topics.

Our complete schedule will be published shortly.

Don't forget to register for early bird rates! Your registration includes breakfast, lunch, and dinner, access to the vendor hall, swag bag, and 16 CE credits (11 live plus 5 virtual for full registration)!

The early bird registration rates are listed below. These rates will increase \$25 each after September 22nd. Registration will close October 5th at 5pm.

NC NAPNAP Members \$125

Non-NC Chapter NAPNAP Members \$150

Non NAPNAP Member \$175

Student \$75

Registration link: <https://ncnapnap.wufoo.com/forms/2023-nc-napnap-fall-symposium/>

### **Fall Community Engagement: Diaper Bank of North Carolina**

Join NC NAPNAPs Community Engagement Committee in supporting families through the Diaper Bank of North Carolina. The Diaper Bank of NC is a non-profit organization that works with community organizations to distribute diapers to families in need. Since the Diaper Bank of NC was formed in 2013, they have distributed over 23 million diapers statewide. Help us by bringing new or opened packages of baby diapers (most urgent need for size 4 & 5 diapers and size 4T/5T pull-ups), and baby wipes to the conference; or with a monetary donation. We appreciate your donation and look forward to seeing you at Conference!

# CHAPTER NEWS

## NC NAPNAP "Summer Lecture Series"

Thank you to Melissa Babb for organizing these fantastic dinner events! Enjoy this snapshots from our July dinner at Angus Barn learning about RSV immunization and monoclonal antibodies, sponsored by Sanofi.



## Now accepting nominations for the Marcia Lorimer Legacy Award!

Please see the attached nomination form and submit your candidate for Outstanding Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Educator to [ncnapnap@gmail.com](mailto:ncnapnap@gmail.com) by September 22, 2023. This may be a faculty member, clinical instructor, or preceptor who has made a measurable difference in the lives of students. The winner will be notified and presented with the award in person or virtually at the NC NAPNAP Annual Conference.

## FROM THE LEGISLATIVE CORNER

Michelle Bae, MSN, APRN, CPNP-PC, IBCLC



The expectation is that the budget will be passed within the next month, which in turn will finally put Medicaid expansion into action. Unfortunately, the SAVE act is not likely to pass during this session. However, the bill is still active so we will continue to advocate for its passage. The best way to do this is to contact your legislator, which you can find at <https://www.ncleg.gov/FindYourLegislators> and also to sign up for Tuesdays at the Legislature.

Remember, the SAVE act is not about "independent" practice but rather full practice authority and increasing access to care, especially in light of the passage of Medicaid expansion. The SAVE act includes all 4 APRN roles: NP, CNS, CRNA and CNM. CNMs did have some practice restrictions lifted with the passage of SB 20 which has been referred to as the "abortion bill".

If anyone has any questions, I'm happy to help!



## BUDGET BALANCE

Laura Bacigalupi, MSN, MBA, APRN,  
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Treasurer

**\$40,763.19**