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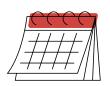
As we continue to plan for 2024, I ask you to consider Florence Nightingale's quote, "I think one's feelings waste themselves in words; they ought all to be distilled into actions which bring results." May we each challenge ourselves into action this year!

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Kristi Hildebrand, MSN, APRN, CPNP-AC There will be many opportunities to network with your colleagues and attend continuing education events. We are also hoping to further our engagement with the community and legislature to deliver a wider impact, so keep a lookout for ways to get involved. Additionally, I hope you can attend (virtually or in-person) the National NAPNAP Conference in Denver on March 13–16. This is another great opportunity for learning and networking!

Sincerely, Kristi

CONTINUING EDUCATION



Save the Dates

The 45th National NAPNAP Conference is March 13–16, 2024 in Denver, Colorado. Several NC NAPNAP chapter and board members will be attending – be sure to say hello!

Spring CE

April 17, 2024

6pm

Virtual (Zoom)

Kate Farm's sponsoring education on plant-based nutrition. Bonus - free snack pack will be sent to the first 30 registrants!

> June 1, 2024 10am

Dairy Alliance - Membership Appreciation Event at Howling Cow Farm at NC State (tour, education, and ice cream!). Families welcome!

Stay tuned for additional CE opportunites this spring and summer - we have exciting plans behind the scenes!

NC NAPNAP Annual Fall Conference

Friday, November 1, 2024

McKimmon Center - Raleigh, NC

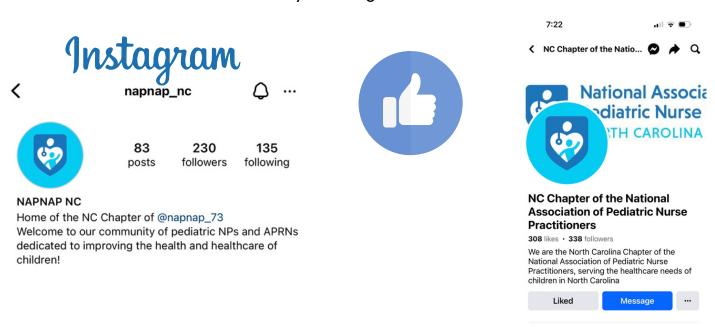
Stay tuned for a call for speaker abstracts this summer.

CHAPTER NEWS

Introducing Social Media Chair: Sara Schaefer

We are thrilled to welcome Sara to the board as our social media chair!

Please be sure to follow NC NAPNAP on Instagram & Facebook, and like & share posts to increase visibility as we grow our content.



Meet Sara:



Sara Schaefer received her master's in nursing from UNC Chapel Hill, although she is a die-hard Blue Devils fan.

She's had over 15 years of experience in pediatrics, including emergency services and pediatric urgent care. She has also been an adjunct faculty at Duke School of Nursing and enjoys teaching. She loves empowering parents through their parenting journey and building trusting relationships with the kids. She has four of her own (all girls)! She passionately advocates for the advanced nursing profession and improved access to healthcare. She is the social media chair of the NC chapter of NAPNAP (National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners).

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Annual Member Appreciation Event

June 1, 2024

10am

NC State University Campus – Raleigh, NC Family friendly event! Bring family/children for a tour, education from the Dairy Alliance, and ice cream!

Congratulations to our 2023 Grant Recipient!

Congratulations to Ivy Bagley, FNP - recipient of the 2023 NC NAPNAP Health Promotion Grant. We can't wait to hear about the impact Ivy's care will have on childhood obesity.

Community Engagement Opportunities

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Great Strides Walk

May 18

Brier Creek Park

10810 Globe Road, Morrisville, NC 27560

Check in at 9 AM, the walk is at 10 AM.

People can register online to participate in person or virtually. If interested, please let Emma Zabor (Community Engagement Chair) know!

Open positions

Interested in joining the NC NAPNAP board? Please see available opportunities below.

Student representative: Apply by April 1, 1 year term to start July 1. Any pediatric-focused APRN student living in NC is eligible to apply. Role flexible to meet student area of interest. Excellent opportunity to learn and gain leadership experience within our professional organization. Additional benefit includes reimbursement for conference registration fee.

FROM THE LEGISLATIVE CORNER

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



2024 is an election year—be sure to vote in the NC primary on March 5. Use this link to find your district and Legislators https://www.ncleg.gov/FindYourLegislators. All 5 nurses that are currently in the Legislature are running for reelection: Sen. Gale Adcock and Reps. Donna White, Carla Cunningham, Diamond Staton-Williams and Diane Wheatley. Jamie Bowles is running for Senate as well.

Events coming up include:

2/27 NCNA Legislative Update (virtual)
4/30 Restart of Tuesday Volunteers at the General Assembly
5/21 Nurses Night at the Legislature

More information about registering for these events can be found at: https://ncnurses.org

The SAVE act is still alive and has continued to gain momentum, especially with the passage and initiation of Medicaid Expansion.

Joining NCNA is the best way to have your voice heard as a nurse in North Carolina! Please feel free to reach out with any questions.



BUDGET BALANCE

Laura Bacigalupi, MSN, MBA, APRN, CPNP-AC Treasurer

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