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Spotlight on PA: Removing Barriers to Care

PA Senators Vote to Expand Access to Care through Full Practice Authority



[Senate Bill 25](#), which grants full practice to nurse practitioners after 3,600 hours and 3 years of practice with a collaborative agreement, passed by a bipartisan vote of 39-10 on April 26. Earlier in the month, advocates for access to nurse practitioner care gathered in Harrisburg to share their support for full practice authority. Attention now turns to the House, where Representatives in the Professional Licensure committee will be considering HB100, the companion bill to SB25.

[Learn more here](#)

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PA-AC Updates

**PA-AC builds a Culture of Health with
the Campaign for Action**



On April 19-20, the PA-AC joined Action Coalitions across the country in Albuquerque, NM for "Building on the *Campaign for Action to Create a Healthier America*." The meeting was designed to explore how the *Future of Nursing* recommendations can advance a [Culture of Health](#).

[Learn more here](#)

In the Press: "Pennsylvania Hospitals Lead Nation with Innovative Nurse Residency Program"



The PA Nurse Residency Collaborative (PA-NRC) is growing quickly--now numbering 53 hospitals committed to supporting the next generation of nurses during their transition to clinical practice. [Read the press release here](#).

In March, PA-NRC members visited San Diego, CA for the annual Vizient/AACN Nurse Residency Program Annual Meeting. Back home, the PA-AC traveled to UPMC and Einstein Health Network for onsite implementation trainings in April. Reach out to PaAction@nncc.us to get involved.

[Learn more here](#)

PA-AC supports 3rd Annual Latino Nurses Network Symposium



On April 8, the [Latino Nurses Network](#) hosted the "Latinos, Nursing, and History: Meeting at the Intersection" at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing. The full day event engaged participants in conversation to explore the history, legacy, and leadership of Latino nurses in the United States.

[Learn more here](#)

Leadership Opportunities

Do you currently serve on a Board? Are you interested in Board service?



The PA-AC serves as the state liaison to the Nurses on Boards Coalition (NOBC) -- the campaign to ensure that at least 10,000 nurses are on boards by 2020. The NOBC's goal is to improve the health of communities across the country through the service of nurses on boards and other bodies.

[Be Counted with the Nurses on Boards Coalition](#)

AAN Jonas Policy Scholar program accepting applications

Nursing doctoral students or post-doctoral fellows shaping nursing policy may apply for the 2017 Jonas Policy Scholar program. The two-year Fellowship is offered for early-career scholars. The American Academy of Nursing (AAN) initiative is supported by the Jonas Center for Nursing and Veterans Healthcare.

[Apply by May 15](#)

National Forum of State Nursing Workforce Centers Annual Conference, June 7-9 in Denver

Register now for the 2017 Forum Conference: "The Nursing Workforce & Health Reform: Trends and Opportunities in a New Political Era." The Conference will take place June 7-9 at the Grand Hyatt in Denver, Colorado.

[Register here](#)

Funding Opportunities

SIREN Call for Studies on Efforts to Address Social Needs- accepting proposals for innovation grants

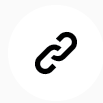
The Social Interventions Research & Evaluation Network (SIREN) is calling for proposals for innovation grants of up to \$150,000. The grants, funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and Kaiser Permanente, will fund rigorous studies of efforts inside the health care system that address patients' social and economic hardships.

[Apply by May 15](#)

NLN Foundation for Nursing Education Scholarship Awards

The National League for Nursing Foundation for Nursing Education offers scholarships of up to \$8,000 each year to support the NLN's mission to build a strong and diverse nursing workforce to advance the health of the nation and the global community. These scholarships are awarded to nurses pursuing advanced degrees in preparation for a career as a full-time academic nurse educator.

[Apply by May 31](#)



The **Pennsylvania Action Coalition** (PA-AC) is a statewide coalition of nursing and non-nursing stakeholders endorsed by the Campaign for Action: Future of Nursing (a joint-initiative of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and AARP).

PA-AC works to promote a healthy Pennsylvania through improvements in the quality, accessibility, and safety of nursing. These advances are the result of implementation of recommendations presented by the Institute of Medicine's (IOM) *Future of Nursing* report and through strategic partnerships throughout the state.

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