



Nurse
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Council
of Miami-Dade Inc.



ANNOUNCEMENT

- Don't miss the Miami Dade Nurse Practitioner next general meeting on 02/25/21 via zoom at 7pm. Leaders from other Councils and Director of Miami Health Dept to speak to Council members about their roles, establish a deeper relationship with the MDNPC
- Independence Practice Bill Legislation starts in March 2021. NPs to send emails to Legislators.

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ACHIEVEMENT

"Loretta C. Ford, Co-founder of Nurse Practitioner Profession, receives US Surgeon General's Medallion for contributions to nation's health".

The Medallion, the highest honor granted to a civilian by the Public Health Service and the US Public Health Service Commissioned Corps, is awarded by the Surgeon General for actions of exceptional achievement to the cause of public health and medicine.

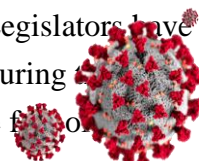
Legislation:

Nurse Practitioners who are issued a license to practice autonomously/independently, must engage in such practice only in primary practice, including family medicine, general pediatrics, and general internal medicine, as defined by board rule. (NO OTHER SPECIALTIES) Once the APRN license of independent practice is successfully issued, the NP is granted signature authority which includes the Baker Act involuntary examination, signing death certificates, admitting/discharging patients from a facility and "provide a signature, certification, stamp, verification, affidavit, or endorsement that is otherwise required by law to be provided by a physician (except for medical cannabis). This is known as signature authority.

Events:

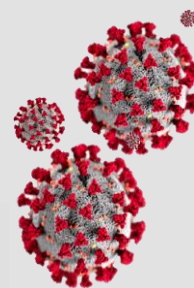
Do not miss the 2021 AANP Health Policy Conference from February 25th through March 11th.

The Florida 2021 Legislative session has begun! Legislators have begun the process of filing bills to be considered during session and committees are in session deciding the fate of bills.



INSIGHTS

“This pandemic has taught us the critical importance of having more nurses in leadership positions”. President Joe Biden has selected Nurse Practitioner Rear Admiral Susan Orsega to serve as the nation’s acting surgeon general. Ms. Orsega, a career-commissioned officer in the US Pub Health Service corps and a longtime infectious disease specialist, would be among the first nurse to serve in the role of surgeon general, which is often referred to as “the nation’s doctor”.



Legislation in Florida

BILLS FILED IN THE FLORIDA 2021 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

BILL #	NAME	SPONSOR	DESCRIPTION	REFERRED	ACTION
HB 111	Autonomous Practice by an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Maggard	Revises practice requirements for autonomous advanced practice registered nurse. Allows all APRNs to apply for autonomous practice, not just those in primary care. Identical to S 424	<u>Public Health Subcommittee; Health and Human Services Committee</u>	Committees
S 424	Autonomous Practice by an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse	Senator Jeff Brandes	Revises practice requirements for autonomous advanced practice registered nurse. Allows all APRNs to apply for autonomous practice, not just those in primary care. Identical to HB 111	<u>Health Policy; Banking and Insurance; Rules</u>	



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About the Miami Dade Nurse Practitioner Council

Miami Dade Nurse Practitioner Council joined the Florida Nurse Practitioner Coalition last year



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