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**SEPTEMBER 2016**

The end of the State Fair marks the official end of summer. As students head back to school the MN APRN Coalition has already begun planning for the 2017 Legislative Session. Over the summer Coalition board members have been busy with several meetings.

During the upcoming 2017 legislative session you can expect some technical changes to the law we passed in 2014. As with any new law after a period of time some “wordsmithing” needs to be done for clarification. We have met with the BON and other stakeholders and feel comfortable going forward.

* We also met with MDH to share the results of our survey of APRNs and Medical Cannabis and how we might provide additional education to MN APRNs. We are I the process of exploring with MDH a possible education opportunity regarding the Medical Cannabis program that will be available to our members and others who are interested. Be sure to check our website soon for updates.
* On August 30th the MN APRN Coalition was invited to attend a workgroup to provide input on recent scope of practice policies and existing barriers. In attendance were various stakeholders and legislators. This was an informative and productive meeting and a good first step on the long path to changing the culture.
* Our next step is to begin considering whether or not the MN APRN Coalition will be introducing any new legislation in 2017. We have been exploring the possibility of introducing signature authority language. If you have issues or suggestions for legislation, please contact us via our website.

[The MN APRN Coalition](http://www.mnaprnc.org)

**OTHER NEWS**

**Mandatory Registration with The Prescription Monitoring Program begins July 1st, 2017**

The following statutory amendment to the Minnesota Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) becomes effective on August 1, 2016 and applies to **all Minnesota licensed APRNs who hold DEA registration**.

Specifically, Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 152.126, subdivision 6(c) states:

By July 1, 2017, every prescriber licensed by a health-related licensing board listed in section 214.01, subdivision 2, practicing within this state who is authorized to prescribe controlled substances for humans and who holds a current registration issued by the federal Drug Enforcement Administration, and every pharmacist licensed by the board and practicing within the state, shall register and maintain a user account with the prescription monitoring program. Data submitted a prescriber, pharmacist, or their delegate during the registration application process, other than their name, license number, and license type, is classified as private pursuant to section 13.02, subdivision 12.

**Register for a PMP account by following this link:**

 <http://pmp.pharmacy.state.mn.us/pmp-user-registration-and-resources.html>

**2015 CNP workforce survey**

Is now available for download directly from our website for $9.99. We have kept the cost low and proceeds are used to defray the cost of conducting the survey and to support the work of the APRN Coalition.

<https://mnaprnc.enpnetwork.com/page/22531-cnp-workforce-survey-results>

**Medical Cannabis Survey**

To better understand MN APRNs use of and opinions about the MN Medical Cannabis program, we surveyed we surveyed all MN APRNs regarding Medical Cannabis. We had a fantastic response, almost 800 APRNs completed the survey, and were able to provide MDH with helpful data.

You can download the results AT NO COST here:

<https://mnaprnc.enpnetwork.com/nurse-practitioner-news/116631-medical-cannabis-survey-results>

**GET INVOLVED – Secretary of State Notice of Vacancy**

**Task force on Medical Cannabis Therapeutic Research has a vacancy for (1) Substance Use Disorder Treatment Provider**

***Application must be submitted by Sept 27th, 2016***

**HOW TO APPLY (do not send your application to the Coalition)** [**Click here to read more**](http://www.sos.state.mn.us/media/2658/september-2016-vacancies.pdf) **– scroll down to the bottom of the page**

Submit an Application
[Complete the application form.](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTYwNjA2LjU5ODk0NDQxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE2MDYwNi41OTg5NDQ0MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MzExNjczJmVtYWlsaWQ9bWluZHRoZWdhcHNAY29tY2FzdC5uZXQmdXNlcmlkPW1pbmR0aGVnYXBzQGNvbWNhc3QubmV0JmZsPSZleHRyYT1NdWx0aXZhcmlhdGVJZD0mJiY=&&&105&&&http://www.sos.state.mn.us/boards-commissions/current-vacancies/application-form/)

Applications may be [submitted online](http://links.govdelivery.com/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTYwNjA2LjU5ODk0NDQxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE2MDYwNi41OTg5NDQ0MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MzExNjczJmVtYWlsaWQ9bWluZHRoZWdhcHNAY29tY2FzdC5uZXQmdXNlcmlkPW1pbmR0aGVnYXBzQGNvbWNhc3QubmV0JmZsPSZleHRyYT1NdWx0aXZhcmlhdGVJZD0mJiY=&&&106&&&http://www.sos.state.mn.us/boards-commissions/current-vacancies/application-form/), by email to Open.Appointments@state.mn.us, or [by mail or in person to:](http://links.govdelivery.com:80/track?type=click&enid=ZWFzPTEmbWFpbGluZ2lkPTIwMTYwNjA2LjU5ODk0NDQxJm1lc3NhZ2VpZD1NREItUFJELUJVTC0yMDE2MDYwNi41OTg5NDQ0MSZkYXRhYmFzZWlkPTEwMDEmc2VyaWFsPTE3MzExNjczJmVtYWlsaWQ9bWluZHRoZWdhcHNAY29tY2FzdC5uZXQmdXNlcmlkPW1pbmR0aGVnYXBzQGNvbWNhc3QubmV0JmZsPSZleHRyYT1NdWx0aXZhcmlhdGVJZD0mJiY=&&&107&&&http://www.sos.state.mn.us/media/1336/printable_application-2.doc)

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St Paul, MN 55155-1299

Applicants should include the following documents:
• Open Appointments Application Form (completed, signed and dated)
• Letter of Interest
• Resume or Biography