

Central AL HPNA



Spring 2018

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Email your officers at: hpnaofcentralalabama@gmail.com

Next chapter meeting:

When: April 19, 2017 from 6-8 PM

Where: Alacare Home Health and Hospice | 2400 John Hawkins Pkwy | Birmingham, AL 35244

Topic: Arts & Medicine

Speaker: Elizabeth Vanderkamp

RSVP: At

alhpna.nursingnetwork.com

CE Credit: 1.2 Nursing Contact Hrs

Meet Our Membership Committee Co-Chair

Catherine Casey, MSN, CRNP



Catherine Casey MSN, CRNP began her nursing career following graduation from

Columbia Presbyterian in New York. She obtained her RN associate degree and worked in the MICU as a staff RN in Bellevue Hospital in New York. She moved to Birmingham, AL in 1986 and worked in the MICU at UAB for 10 years. During this time she continued her education and obtained a Masters in Adult Health/Teaching followed by a Post Masters as Family Nurse Practitioner. She received Certification as an FNP in April of 1997. Following certification, she transferred to Neuro Oncology where she practiced as a Nurse Practitioner and as a sub investigator for Clinical trials until 2014. In September 2014, she joined UAB Palliative Medicine and worked in the outpatient Palliative Supportive Care clinic as well as consult for inpatient Palliative Medicine.



Can't make it to the chapter meeting in person?

Join from your computer, tablet, or smartphone:

<https://www.gotomeet.me/CentralALHPNA>

or

You can dial in using your phone:

1 (872) 240-3412

Access Code: 420-618-389

or

Join from a video-conferencing room or system:

Dial: 67.217.95.2##420618389

Cisco devices:

420618389@67.217.95.2

"I believe I'm there to help the families breathe."

breathe.

Save the Dates

July 26: Central AL HPNA Chapter Meeting at Café Dupont

September 18: Central Alabama HPNA's Biannual Fall Palliative Care Conference at The Bruno Center at St. Vincent's Main Campus

October 17-19: Alabama Hospice & Palliative Care Organization's (AHPCO) Conference at Perdido Beach Resort

October 18: Central AL HPNA Chapter Meeting at Children's of Alabama

November 1-2: UAB's Palliative Care Summit. Contact Stacey Miller at (205) 934-4462 or staceymiller@uabmc.edu for more info

Supporting Our Sister HPNA

Central AL HPNA represented our chapter at the Gulf Coast HPNA's conference on Building Bridges.



Left to right: Central AL HPNA President Eunita Robertson; member Millie Paterson; Drenda Walker; Keynote Speaker Mary Elizabeth McWilliams, ARNP, ACHPN; member Sharon Burgess, Wanda Pate

Congratulations! & Meet a New^{ish} Member!

Macy Stockdill (left), a PhD student in UAB's School of Nursing and Blazer Graduate Research Fellow, was named a 2018 Hospice and Palliative Nurses Foundation (HPNF) Annual Assembly Scholarship awardee. She is an active member of our HPNA chapter and is interested in the early implementation of palliative care into diseases with unpredictable disease trajectories such as heart failure. As part of the award, Macy received a traveling stipend for the Annual Assembly in addition to being seated at a reserved table along with 4 other awardees and Judy Lentz, former Chief Executive Officer of the Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association, during the Annual Assembly Hospice and Palliative Care Credentialing Center Award Luncheon. This year the Annual Assembly was held in Boston, MA from March 14-17. Macy (left) is pictured here with Donna Falcone (right), Hospice and Palliative Nurses Foundation Board of Directors Member.



Did you hear the Twitter?

Central Alabama's HPNA chapter is now on Twitter!!!

[@HPNAofCentralAL](https://twitter.com/HPNAofCentralAL)

Follow and tweet us!!!

Calling All Members!

Calling all members to encourage your friends & coworkers of all disciplines to join our chapter.

Our mission is to advance expert care in serious illness and we need your help to continue this very important mission.

Last year, chapter membership fees helped fund a number of efforts toward increasing community awareness of hospice and palliative care including:

- ELNEC Course offering with over 80 attendees
- Before I Die project
- Defining Hope Film at Regal Cinemas with onsite discussion panel of experts & distribution of Advance Care Planning packets to attendees
- Quarterly chapter meetings including venue, notable speakers on topics specific to hospice and palliative care, contact hours, & dinner.

This year, we hope to accomplish even more including:

- Biannual Fall Conference
- Community Service Project
- Clinical Review Course for the Hospice & Palliative RN
- Social work CEU provider status

However, we couldn't do it without the support of membership. Please join our organization for another successful year by renewing your membership or joining today! Its quick, easy to renew/join, & only costs \$25.00! To renew/join, simply click on <https://alhpna.nursingnetwork.com> then click on "Become a member" tab.

Communication

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Call to Action

What do we want to do for this years service project?

Please send your ideas and suggestions to
hpnaofcentralalabama@gmail.com

New Members

Special welcome to:

Melissa Brown

Deborah Barger

Paige Butler

Susan Lambdin

Michelle Carroll

Debra Holmes

Please introduce yourself and welcome these new members to our chapter!

Also...

There is an online pictorial directory on our Central Alabama HPNA website! Please take the time to upload your picture so everyone can put a face with your name!

<https://alhpna.nursingnetwork.com>