

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION of CRITICAL-CARE NURSES



Region 6

August 2018



Greetings! For those of you who don't know me, my name is Leslie Swadener-Culpepper. I am a Clinical Nurse Specialist for Acute and Critical Care at The Medical Center in Macon, GA. I have been a member of AACN for 34 years and a CCRN for 31 years. I have been a chapter officer many times in Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and Georgia and held nearly every office imaginable.



I am your new Chapter Advisor, aka "CAT" for the Region 6 chapters for 2018-2020. I was also the CAT for this region from '12 thru '14. I am very glad to be serving the chapters of Region 6 again. I would like to send a BIG thank you to Mary Vaiculevich for her leadership as the Chapter Advisor '16-18.

We are a VERY tight AACN region. Our regional meeting each September binds us together. That is a wonderful strength for all of us. I hope to see representatives from each chapter at our Region's Leadership meeting on September 9th in Atlanta. We will be talking all things AACN and how to promote AACN's attributes to our colleagues. I personally am bringing one of my new graduate nurses who graduated in May and has a "thirst" for knowledge. I would encourage each of you, as chapter officers to try and do the same, even if just for the leadership day. Let's share with our newest colleagues what AACN can do for them in their professional development. I don't know about ya'll, but I wouldn't have had near the professional experiences and knowledge I have without AACN in my life.

If you haven't seen the new 2018-19 artwork, here it is. Our 2018-2019 President is Lisa Riggs. Her Theme "Our Voice, Our Strength" will help us focus our chapter



activities this year. Lisa is joining us for day 2 of our regional conference next month!

I hope to see you at the Regional meeting!



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Chapter Deadlines in August!



THREE things are due by August 15!!

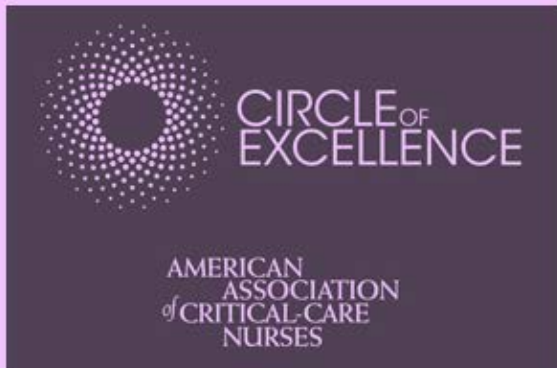
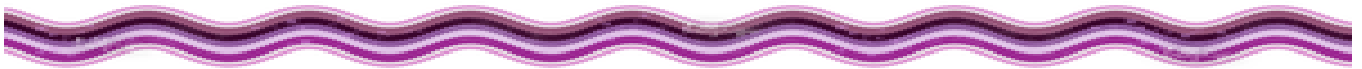
1. FY 2018 4th Quarter Financial report (Apr-Jun 2018)
2. Check Signer list for FY 2019

Remember: The President and Treasurer are the normal check signers in a chapter.

3. FY 2018 Financial Audit

Please let me know if you need assistance with this. The automation on the AACN website makes this job easier than ever.

[Click here for Financial Forms](#)



Individual & Chapter Circle of Excellence Awards

Consider nominating a colleague for their exemplary contributions to nursing!! The individual COE nominations are due on August 15th.

and

Consider submitting an exemplar in one or multiple categories to showcase your chapter's commitment to your membership and critical care nursing! Applications are due November 15th or February 15th for the President's Award!

Did you know?

There are 11 chapters in Alabama & Georgia !!!

Alabama (3)

- Greater Birmingham Chapter
- North Alabama Chapter
- Greater Tuscaloosa Chapter

Georgia (8)

- Athens Classic City Area Chapter
- Atlanta Area Chapter
- Central Savannah River Area Chapter
- Greater Savannah Area Chapter
- Heart of Georgia Chapter
- Northeast Georgia Chapter
- Northwest Georgia Chapter
- Southwest Georgia Chapter



Regional Activities: (Contact me if you'd like to list your activity in the newsletter!!)

2018 PCCN/CCRN REVIEW

**CAROL A RAUEN, RN-BC, MS,
CCRN, PCCN, CEN**

The CSRA Chapter of AACN is proud to sponsor this dynamic educator and nationally known speaker. This two-day review will help you prepare for that important CCRN/PCCN Certification exam or review for recertification!

We hope to see you there!

July 23-24th PCCN Review

July 24-25th CCRN Review

7:30A-4:30P

Savannah Rapids Pavilion

3300 Evans to Locks Rd, Martinez, GA 30907

\$185 for current CSRA Chapter AACN Members if postmarked by June 20th

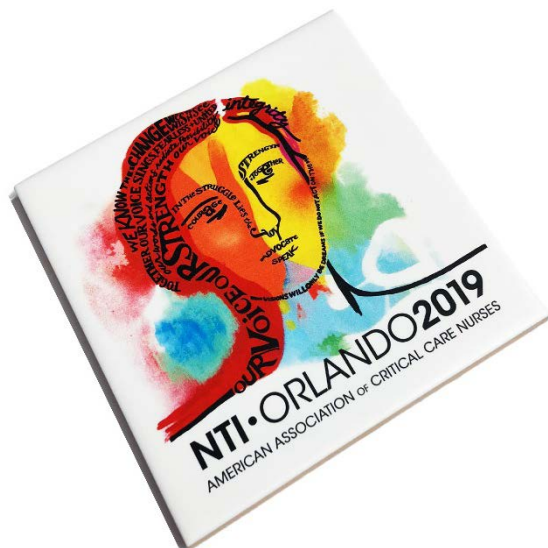
\$195 Early Bird Registration for non-members postmarked by June 20th

\$245 for current CSRA AACN Members if postmarked after June 20th

\$255 for non-members after June 20th

\$270 for all "at the door" registrations

For more information email: CSRAChapterAACN@gmail.com



Save the Date NOW!!

The National Teaching Institute (NTI)

ORLANDO

May 19-23, 2019

Orlando, which calls itself “The City Beautiful,” has been a premier convention and vacation destination for decades. Though the city is widely known for its Disney World theme park and EPCOT Center, it is also home to a historic downtown, the Arboretum of the University of Central Florida and a wide variety of cultural and recreational sites.

To Share with your Chapter Members:

New Continuing Education Modules added to the AACN Website in July 2018!

- Preventing Surgical Site Infections Related to Abdominal Drains in the Intensive Care Unit
- Pediatric Delirium in the Cardiac Intensive Care Unit: Identification and Intervention
- Quiet Time: A Noise Reduction Initiative in a Neurosurgical Intensive Care Unit
- Suicide Risk Screening in Acute and Non-Acute Settings
- Care Zones Staffing Model: Producing Favorable Outcomes Along the Continuum of Care
- Nurse Staffing and Technology: A Beneficial Relationship Formed in the Electronic Environment
- CSI: Teamwork Leads to Dreamwork
- Summit - Staffing Through the Lens of HWE: Many Shades of Gray