



The Greater Chicago Area Chapter-AACN UPDATES May 2020







HAPPY NURSE'S WEEK 2020 "Year of the Nurse" 200th anniversary of the birth of Florence Nightingale



A special #ThankYouThursday salute to the Greater Chicago Area Chapter of the American Association of Critical Care Nurses!

We can't wait to see you at a #Blackhawks game again. #NationalNursesWeek





FUTURE GCAC PROGRAMS

The GCAC Board of Directors is very excited to report that we are in the early planning phases of educational programming using more creative platforms:

- Zoom conferencing
- Live-stream lectures
 - Minute snipets
- Needs assessment
 - Contests

We will be reaching out to our members their for ideas and thoughts.















Honorable mention and kudos to the following chapters that applied for Circle of Excellence Awards:

AACN Chapter at Keck Medical Center
Atlanta Area Chapter
Broward County Chapter
Central Indiana Chapter
Denver Chapter
Diamond State Chapter

"Greater Chicago Area Chapter" Chapter Collaboration

Greater Fredericksburg Area Chapter
Greater Phoenix Area Chapter
Greater Portland Chapter
Greater Richmond Area Chapter
Greater Washington Area Chapter
Houston Gulf Coast Chapter
Inland Northwest Chapter
North Harris Montgomery County
Oklahoma City Area Chapter
San Antonio Chapter
Siouxland Chapter
Western New York Chapter



MORE PROGRAMS

NORTHWEST CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER (NWCAC)

Saturday, June 13, 2020

"What Can I Do When My Well(ness) Runs Dry"

Speaker:

Karen Pugliese, MA, BCC-PCHAC Chaplain, Central Dupage Hospital Zoom Conference

Attendance is free but please email Linda Smith to register: lindacdhrn@aol.com

San Diego | May 4-7

The National Teaching
Institute & Critical Care
Exposition offers learning,
inspiration and celebration
for high-acuity and critical
care nurses





ILLINOIS RN LICENSE RENEWAL DUE 9/1/2020

New Illinois CE requirement

1 of the 20 hours of required CE must be a sexual harassment prevention training course

Recommendations:

- Check with your employer to see if a course is being offered
- Nurse.com-Sexual Harassment and Retaliation-\$12.00
- Netce.com-Sexual Harassment Prevention: The Illinois Requirement-\$15.00



Covid-19 Situation

AACN continues to provide updates to ensure yours and the patient's health and safety. Check out aacn.org to find:

- Procedure Manual for COVID-19
- ARDS, COVID-19 and Pronation Therapy
- COVID-19 Pulmonary, ARDS, and Ventilator Resources
 - Convalescent Plasma Infusion

Many of the courses are being offered at no charge and are an excellent source to bring back to the frontline staff.



"Nurses' Relaxation and Renewal Through the Arts"

Anticipating the WHO designated Year of the Nurse and Midwife coinciding with the 200th anniversary of the birth of Florence Nightingale, Hektoen Nurses and Humanities Committee initiated an exhibit that has been rescheduled for:

April 9 to May 23, 2021 Museum of Surgical Sciences 1534 N. Lake Shore Dr. in Chicago

A digital catalog of the beautiful artwork that was submitted by nurses can be accessed using the following link. Either click on the link below or simply copy and paste into the search bar.

https://link.zixcentral.com/u/ec18c8d2/bNFtP5eb6hGEYAzNhnsoMg?u=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.hektoen.org%2Fnurses-the-humanities%2F

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