



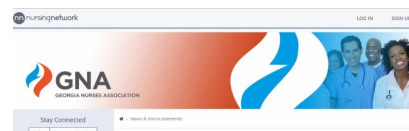
Nurses shaping the future of professional nursing for a healthier Georgia.

Monthly E-newsletter

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The latest at GNA

We have a new website! The goal of this site is to better connect us as a group, as well as with members of the nursing community. Please explore our [website](#) and be sure to 'Follow Us' to receive up-to-date information on Upcoming Events, educational opportunities, and updates that may affect the nursing practice.



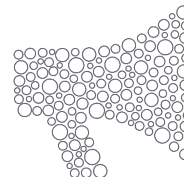
GNA is using EMPOWRD to make it easier for us to collaborate with each other as it relates to issues of legislation and advocacy; enabling us to streamline important communications and personalize calls to actions for all of our members. The [Empowrd App](#) will also help us learn more about our members so we can better serve you as an organization. The app is available for download via Android and iOS. Please [download today](#) and follow GNA!

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Attention members! We are partnering with [Education Loan Finance \(ELFI\)](#) to offer you low rates on refinancing your student loans. By partnering with ELFI, you could earn \$400 when you refinance your student loans! * [Apply Now!](#)

* To begin the qualification process for the Georgia Nurses Association sign on bonus, customers must apply from the link provided on [www.elfi.com/gna](#). Customers who are approved for and close a loan will receive the \$400 through a reduction in the principal balance of their Education Loan Finance loan when your loan has been disbursed. In order to receive this bonus, customers will be required to complete and submit a W9 form with all required documents. Taxes are the sole responsibility of the recipient. A customer will only be eligible to receive the bonus one time. Only new applicants or individuals who have never refinanced a student loan with Education Loan Finance from SouthEast Bank can receive the GNA bonus. If the new applicant was referred using the referral bonus, they will not receive the bonus provided via the referring party. If the new applicant becomes an ELFI customer, they may participate in the referral bonus by becoming the referring party. [Additional terms and conditions apply](#). Loans are subject to credit approval.



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Celebrating International Women's Day
March 8, 2019.

[Image by pcma.org.](#)

The Georgia Nurses Association recognizes nurses in various disciplines for their accomplishments during the year. These awards are presented during GNA's Biennial Professional Development Conference and Membership Assembly.

Deadline for Submitting GNA Awards Nominations is July 1, 2019.

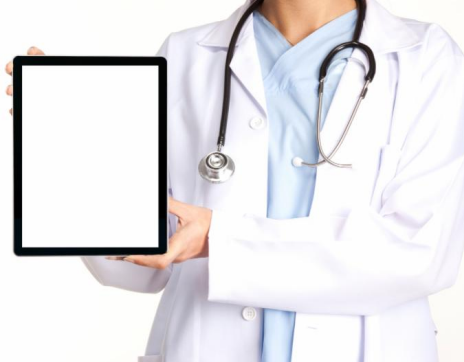
[Click here for a complete list of Awards, including nomination criteria.](#)



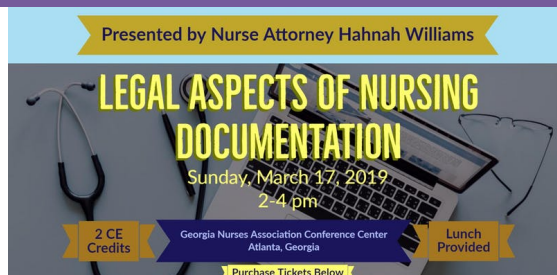
Continuing Education

The Winter Continuing Education Approver Unit (CEAU) E-newsletter is now available! [Click here to read it.](#)

The purpose of the CEAU e-newsletter is to keep Georgia nurses updated on the latest accreditation and education news to assist in planning and providing quality nursing education activities.



Upcoming Events



Legal Aspects of Nursing (2 Contact Hours)- March 17, 2019

Georgia Nurses Association
3032 Briarcliff Road Northeast
Atlanta, GA 30329

Taught by a nurse attorney, this in-depth, interactive seminar will give you the tools that you need to stay out of court or defend yourself in a medical malpractice case or professional license claim. We will examine real court cases and learn effective documentation skills. If you are wondering whether you should attend this seminar, ask yourself "if I were required to testify in court to defend my care of a patient, would my documentation be adequate?" If you are not sure, then you do not want to miss this seminar!!

This continuing nursing education activity was approved by the Georgia Nurses Association- Approver, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation 2 Contact Hours.

[Click here for more information including registration.](#)



Vascular Access Devices: The Basics of Intravenous Therapy- March 30, 2019

Georgia Nurses Association
3032 Briarcliff Road Northeast
Atlanta, GA 30329

This class is designed to offer education and empower nurses with knowledge, build confidence in IV skills, meet compliance requirements, increase the quality of care in the facilities, and decrease costs.

- 3 Hr Comprehensive Instruction
- 1 Hr hands on Skills Lab
- Skills and Competency Check Off
- Post Class Exam
- Certificate of Validation
- Meets yearly compliance requirement

This activity has been submitted to Georgia Nurses Association for approval to award contact hours. Georgia Nurses Association – Approver is accredited as an approver of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

[Click here for more information including registration.](#)

"Teeing Up for Georgia Nurses"
 GNF Annual Fundraising Golf Tournament



Monday, April 15,
 2019

8:30AM- 4:40PM

Join GNF for a fun day filled
 with activities and special prizes
 to support the advancement of
 the Nursing profession in
 Georgia.



The Heritage Golf Club

4445 Britt Road
 Tucker,
 GA 30084

Sponsorship Levels*

Gold Sponsor - \$2,500	Silver Sponsor - \$1,500	Bronze Sponsor - \$500	Hole Sponsor - \$400
12 Players special recognition at the Awards Ceremony Complimentary breakfast and dinner for all players Player package for all players	8 Players special recognition at the Awards Ceremony Complimentary breakfast and dinner for all players Player package for all players	4 Players recognition at the Awards Ceremony Complimentary breakfast and dinner for all players Player package for all players	Breakfast Sponsor - \$400 Lunch Sponsor - \$300 19th Hole Dinner Sponsor - \$2,000 Alcohol will be available for purchase Single Player - \$125

Register at:

GeorgiaNurses.Org "Calendar- "Teeing Up for Georgia Nurses..."

*Sponsorship is tax deductible

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2019 ANA Quality & Innovation Conference- April 24- 26, 2019



Gaylord Palms Resort & Convention
 Center
 6000 W Osceola Pkwy
 Kissimmee, FL 34746

Join the cutting edge of nursing at the
 2019 ANA Quality & Innovation
 Conference. Get hands-on experience with
 the top innovations in nursing, learn about
 the next big tech advancement in
 healthcare, and help redefine what quality
 nursing looks like. Don't miss out on the
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ANCC Pathway to Excellence Conference- April 24- 26, 2019





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Get your organization onto the Pathway to
 Excellence! Register for the 2019 ANCC
 Pathway to Excellence Conference® and
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 celebrate nursing achievement, and learn
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[registration.](#)



2019 Northwest Georgia Nursing Symposium

Are you a nurse in need of Continuing Education hours?

Earn up to 5 CE hours at this one-day event

Hear great speakers on relevant topics facing nurses today, **plus breakfast and lunch are included** in your registration fee!

Friday, April 26th
8 a.m. – 3 p.m.









@ Georgia Northwestern Technical College
– Gordon Campus

Registration Fee:
\$35 *if registered by Wed, April 24th*
\$45 *on the day of the event*

Scheduled topics include:

- GEMA Visual Weapons Training
- Disease Surveillance and Outbreaks in GA
- Opioids and Juuls: What you need to know and more!

Register today at <https://2019nwnursingsymposium.eventbrite.com> to reserve your spot!



For more information contact Kristie Washington at kwashington@blueridgeahec.org or call 770-680-0823

The Georgia Board of Nursing deems Blue Ridge Area Health Education Center as an acceptable provider for continuing education (CE). The activity is approved for 5 CE hours toward the continuing education competency requirements for Georgia licensure renewal. Nurses should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation.

Northwest Georgia Nursing Symposium- April 26, 2019

Georgia Northwestern Technical College

[Click here for more information, including registration.](#)

Save the Date!



Nursing Unity Conference 2019

October 31- November 2, 2019
Location to be determined.



Save the Date! Annual Nursing Unity Conference- October 31- November 2, 2019

Hilton Atlanta Downtown Hotel.

Confirmed keynote speakers so far: Tim Porter-O'Grady, EdD, PhD, RN, FAAN

More information to follow!

What's going on in nursing and healthcare?

This section highlights what state legislatures and the federal government have accomplished to support the nursing profession and promote better quality healthcare.



2019 Legislative Session

The following bills have been introduced during the 2019 Legislative Session and are available for consideration.

GNA Priorities:

H.B. 287 (Dubnik - Gainesville) -- PTIP; (GNA in Favor)

S.B. 76 (Black - Valdosta) -- Veterinary Nurses; (GNA in Opposition)

S.B. 106 (Tillery - Vidalia) -- "Patients First Act";

[Click here to read the complete GNA Legislative Update #2.](#)

*For Legislative updates, advocacy opportunities and calls to action in real time please download the **EMPOWRD** application on your smart phone or tablet device and follow GNA.*



GNF Peer Assistance Program (GNF-PAP)

The Georgia Nurses Foundation Peer Assistance Program (GNF-PAP), previously named the Georgia Nurses Association Nurse Advocate Program, is a collaborative effort with the Georgia Board of Nursing (the Board) and GNA. Established in 1981, the program is staffed with volunteer nurses who are committed to support other nurses living with the disease of substance use disorder.

[Click here for more information.](#)

The Georgia Nurses Foundation (GNF) is the charitable and philanthropic arm of the Georgia Nurses Association (GNA) supporting GNA and its work to foster the welfare and well-being of nurses, promote and advance the nursing profession, thereby enhancing the health of the public.

[Click Here to Donate to GNF](#)

How to contribute to the GNA-PAC

The Georgia Nurses Association Political Action Committee (GN-PAC) actively and carefully reviews candidates for local, state and federal office. This consideration includes the candidate's record on nursing issues and value as an advocate for the nursing profession. Your contribution to GN-PAC today will help GNA continue to protect your ability to practice and earn a living in Georgia. Your contribution will also support candidates for office who are strong advocates on behalf of nursing.

To make a GN-PAC Donation via PayPal, [CLICK HERE](#).

To donate via check, please print and complete the donation form [HERE](#), and send check or money order to: GN-PAC, 3032 Briarcliff Road NE, Atlanta, GA 30329



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