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Introduction

The American Nephrology Nurses Association (ANNA) is an international organization whose aim is to improve the lives of its members through education, networking and science especially in the United States. The ANNA started as a nonprofit organization in 1969 and since then it has grown to a membership of more than 9000 registered nurses who serve in the nursing spectrum of nephrology. The levels that the members work on comprise; peritoneal dialysis, hemodialysis, continuous renal replacement therapies, conservative management, transplantation, and government agencies.

ANNA holds the belief that the plea for quality nephrology patient care will go on growing in the forthcoming days, particularly with the numerous transformations happening in health care plus majorly in the field of nephology. We trust that the nurse's in the organization are in an exclusive role to improve the quality of care presented to people with kidney disease. Continually, the organization embraces the notion that through the continuous schooling of nurses in the area of nephrology, it can possess a progressive effect on the care of people having kidney disease. The organization additionally considers that a comprehensive educational is essential to grow, uphold, and enhance aptitude in practice. The organization vigorously supports study to both grow evidence-based practice in addition to developing nursing science. Continually, the organization supports the team method to patient care and maintains interdisciplinary connection as important to the provision of cost-effective, as well as high quality patient care.

The ANNA main slogan is Learning, Leading, Connecting.

The ANNA membership is open to nurses both registered and non-registered. There is a subscription fee for the ANNA membership, full members who are the registered pay a fee of 80 dollars and the non-registered nurses – Associate Member pay 70 dollars. In addition, there are incentives to members who recruit at least 4 members where one receives a free one year ANNA membership. For those members who are able to recruit most members into the organization, they are awarded with an ANNA publication package.

Membership to ANNA gives the members various benefits. In terms of educational resources, the, members can access Free CNE opportunities offered in the ANNA library, access

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to the Nephrology Nursing Journal, access to the e-newsletter RenalWEB Nephrology Nursing news, the bimonthly ANNA update newsletter and the online library. The organization also gives career building opportunities like high quality education programs, awards, scholarships and grants. There are also several platforms that members can network through hence growing their network in the profession.

Prospective members can reach ANNA through contact our website anna@annanurse.org, or write to American Nephrology Nurses Association, Est Holly AV., Box 56, Pitman, NJ 08071, 888-600-2662.

An event that is coming up on the ANNA calendar is dubbed 'Everything You Wanted to Know about Kidneys but were Afraid to Ask' on August 24th that will be happening in Loyola Gottlieb Memorial Hospital Pro Bldg, 675 W., Melrose Park, IL. The event should be a great eye opener to the Nurses willing to join the American Nephrology Nurse Association.

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