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New Orleans - Chapter 1902

September 2017

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President's Message

To: Ochsner-Kenner OR nurses. YOU are AWESOME !! They have achieved 100% AORN Membership for their OR nurses. The Chapter Challenge is STILL on until September 30, 2017. You still have time to recruit OR nurses to join AORN. See all the information you need to know regarding the Chapter Challenge in this newsletter. We are currently in 2nd place. Let's work together and move up to FIRST PLACE and WIN \$1000.00 for our chapter. RECRUIT RECRUIT!!!!

We had a great meeting in August at Ochsner-Kenner and many new faces were there. Thanks to all for attending. The AORN Code of Ethics was reviewed at this meeting. We also highlighted the AORN Guidelines on Surgical Attire at this meeting with much discussion. Melissa is getting our Chapter Liaison list together so we can better connect each month with all OR nurses.

The showing of "Defining Hope" from the American Nurse Project is scheduled for Wednesday, November 1, 2017 at a local theater. Look for information to follow in our October newsletters. Our Chapter Social for all OR nurses is scheduled for Wednesday, November 15, 2017. Look for details on that in the October newsletter as well. OR Nurse week is fast approaching – November 6-12 – let us know how your facility is celebrating OR Nurse Week and we will put it in our newsletter for November.... just email Mary Anne by our October monthly meeting.

Our ANNUAL Seminar/Vendor Fair is scheduled for Saturday, January 13, 2018 at EJGH (half day event) with CE offerings. We encourage all nurses to invite their medical vendors to exhibit at this event. ALL the information you need to give to the medical vendors is in this

We still need Volunteers for Expo in New Orleans 3/24/18 to 3/28/18. Volunteering needs can be as simple as helping to direct attendees to various educational sessions and helping to set up the items in the AORN Foundation Silent Auction room to just being a smiling face for attendees to see upon coming to Expo. See details in newsletter.

If you or your facility want to donate an item to the AORN Silent Auction at Expo, let Nathalie or myself know.

Last, but not least, our next AORN Chapter meeting on September 27, 2017 will be at Ochsner- Main Campus at 5:00 pm and we will be offering another CE program and it will be on SSI's through 3M Medical. Our AORN Guideline highlight for the September meeting will be Cleaning of the OR between procedures and Terminal Cleaning at the end of the day. AORN has had revisions on these protocols. As mentioned in last month's President Message, we are attempting teleconferencing of our monthly meetings in conjunction with our usual live meeting and we are attempting this for our September meeting. Don't worry, you will be sent details in a subsequent email later this month if this can be accomplished in a timely manner.

Remember: READ our newsletter each month as many exciting events are happening this year and you won't want to miss out.

Respectively,

Sharon Guardina RN, BSN, CNOR
President- AORN of New Orleans
Chapter 1902



Chapter 1902 Event Calendar 2017-2018

Next Meeting:

Sept 27th-5 PM at Ochsner
Jeff Hwy for 1 CE

Monthly Meeting Dates

October 25th-Children's
November 15th-TBA
January 13th-Winter Seminar
February 28th-Tulane
April 25th-Ochsner Kenner
May 23rd-WJMC
June 27th-Installation Banq.

*Per member request,
we have*

a new meeting time:

5 PM

ALL meetings start at

5 PM unless otherwise noted

Answers to the PeriOp Challenge

- 1. C
- 2. A
- 3. B

Legislative Report by Nathalie Walker, MBA, RN, CNOR

AORN link to [AORN Government Affairs - Advocacy Tools and Resources - Association of periOperative Registered Nurses](#)

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LOUISIANA LEGISLATIVE UPCOMING MEETINGS

Joint Committee Meetings

Pet Overpopulation Advisory Council	Wed 8/30 1:00 pm	Room E	Scheduled
TOPS Task Force	Wed 9/06 9:30 am	John J. Hainkel, Jr. Room	Scheduled
Task Force on Coordination of Medicaid Fraud Detection & Prevention Initiatives	Wed 9/06 10:00 am	Room 2	Scheduled

ANA links:

<http://www.nursingworld.org/MainMenuCategories/Policy-Advocacy/HealthSystemReform/ANALetter-CSNAResponseCMSMedicareIIPSPFinalRule-NurseStaffingMeasures.pdf>

[Professional Issues Panels](#)

Official website for the American Nurses Association, part of the ANA Enterprise, featuring nursing news, profes...

Healthcare gains 39,400 jobs in July

The July healthcare hiring surge marks the second consecutive month that job gains in the sector have surpassed last year's hot average of 32,000. The need for hospital and other medical workers is overriding ACA repeal worries. [READ MORE](#)

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Membership Information

Please remember to renew!

Total Members – 207

Standard – 136

Lifetime – 11

2/3yr - 23

Retired – 11

Associate – 7

Student Members – 19

When you renew, please check your membership card to see that it states “Chapter 1902”. If your name is then not on our Roster and our Chapter does not receive the chapter dues you pay.



**Please invite all
Perioperative Nurses
to our meetings!**

Member Resources



<http://http://www.facebook.com/AORN>



www.ornurselink.org/Pages/home.aspx

3M has upcoming webinars at which you can obtain free CEU's.

<https://promo.3m.com/rc/3MMEDICAL/ipdeducationwebinarcalendar>



<https://twitter.com/AORNofNewOrlean>

(You are seeing it correctly; there is no “s”)

Chapter Webpage:

www.aornofneworleanschapter1902.com

Membership due to Lapse

Membership expires on the last day of your renewal month. Here is a reminder that your membership expiration is in the near future:

September

- Nicole Borne
- Melanie Buras
- Eric Cooper
- Wendy Durocher
- Aimee Falgout
- Zina Jaffe
- Jamie Johnson
- Abbey Kieffer
- Daralyn Lee
- Kevin Maes
- Judith Montello
- Ashley Ory
- Susan Overman
- Martha Peltier
- Kathy Pratt
- Brittany Wiley
- Shannen Winfield
- Pam Zimmerman

October

- Adriana Acevedo
- Kimberly Buras
- Anita Jackson
- Craig Koppen
- Sharon Tohline

Member News

Ochsner Kenner is looking for an OR/Endoscopy Clinical Coordinator. If you are interested, please apply on the Ochsner Career page.

**If you have news from
your facility**

**Please send any updates to
Mary Anne Toledano**

at: matoledano@outlook.com



Meeting Minutes - from the secretary:

Educational Program: EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS THROUGH LESSONS LEARNED

Speaker: Sharon Guardina

This program is approved for 1 contact hour through AORN

Hurricane Katrina was the backdrop for the presentation – the emergency preparation before the storm, the realities of the storm and the aftermath. The lessons learned through this devastating event were presented. These lessons were also used to create the AORN Emergency Preparedness Toolkit (available on the AORN website).

Pre- Katrina Historical Perspective: Charity Hospital in New Orleans, LA, was a level 1 trauma center with an extensive emergency preparedness plan. This plan was activated on August 28, 2005, as Hurricane Katrina’s target on the Gulf Coast was eminent. As the Code Grey was activated, 4 full OR teams were making preparations to be at the hospital for at least 3 days . . .

During the Hurricane: The in-house staff was prepared for the storm. Early Monday morning, August 29, 2005, Hurricane Katrina made landfall as a Category 3 with sustained winds of 100-140 mph. During the storm, windows could be heard breaking in nearby buildings as well as in the hospital. Water began invading the OR and the creative OR team had the Neptune suction working all night to address the situation.

After the Storm: Everything was wet due to the broken windows, wind and rain. The in-house staff went outside to check out the situation and it looked pretty good, considering a huge hurricane

just came through the city! But by 8PM the Command Center for the hospital informed the staff that there was a levee breach and the water was rising! The Emergency Department still had at least 20 patients that had to be moved to the second floor. By 2AM there was 4 feet of water surrounding the hospital.

On Tuesday, the Command Center notified everyone that the generators would lose power by 10AM ... and they did. Critical care patient (28 of them!) were being bagged by hand. The staff was being updated every four hours, food and water were being rationed and the situation looked bleak. The creative OR staff hid the food that they had left disguised as OR supplies! When the staff looked outside, there were armed citizens—not police—with guns! Marshall law was in place.

Tulane Hospital, across the street, had evacuated their patients and agreed to evacuate the most critical patients from Charity. The problem was that the patients had to be carried down as many as 12 flights of stairs in the dark, placed on boats, taken across the street, and then carried to the roof of Tulane Hospital. Armed staff had to accompany the patients being transported! People were trying to steal the boats and there were snipers looming!

By now, stress was evident in employees! They were left to try to figure out their own evacuation strategy.

On Friday, September 2, 2005, the rest of the patients and staff were evacuated. Charity Hospital closed the doors that day forever.

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Louisiana Council of AORN Chapters

Future Meeting Dates:

Saturday October 14, 2017 in Shreveport

Saturday, January 13th, Metairie, after the Winter Seminar

Chapter 1902 Community Outreach Project:

Please bring non-perishable items, hotel shampoos, etc. to next meeting for the homeless shelter at St. Joseph's Catholic Church on Tulane Avenue. Sharon Guardina will drop them off to the shelter.

- Small bottles of shampoo
- Non-perishable foods items
- Eye glasses
- Socks

Thank you!!!



- 1. How should energy-generating device cords be secured on the sterile drapes?**
 - A. Either plastic or metal, non-piercing clamps.
 - B. Metal, non-piercing clamps.
 - C. Plastic, non-piercing clamps.
- 2. Questionnaires, including STOP, STOP-Bang, Berlin, and Wisconsin, are examples of screening tools that can be used to assess patients for:**
 - A. Obstructive sleep apnea
 - B. Level of consciousness
 - C. Depth of sedation
 - D. Pain
- 3. What type of trocar systems should be used for minimally invasive surgery procedures?**
 - A. Anodized
 - B. Conductive
 - C. Ebonized
 - D. Non-conductive

Answers on page 2



Did you know that you can donate to the AORN Foundation with every Amazon purchase without any extra cost to you?

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Meeting Minutes – Continued from page 4:

Challenges of being HCP after a hurricane identified:

- Drinking water, electricity, food, accessibility to communication challenges
- Central Sterile capabilities and adjustments had to be made
- Transitioning to other locations to provide health needs to community
- Emergency and medical needs of the community, as well as, healthcare workers
- Do more with less

What worked:

- FEMA provided replacement sterilizers
- Re-location to our sister hospital
- Support from other area hospitals
- MRE distribution centers
- Vaccinations provided to all free
- Planning for future disasters from the challenges and the lessons learned

At 6:08 PM the meeting was called to order by President Sharon Guardina. Mandy Martin-Sanchez, Secretary, determined that a quorum was present.

Thank you to Ochsner Kenner for hosting the meeting and providing dinner!

Officer and Committee Reports:

- Treasurer: Melissa \$50 in debits; \$441.75 deposits; \$4418.63 balance. There are still a few facilities that need a contact person: Ochsner West Bank, Ochsner Baptist, and Touro.
 - Secretary: Emails were sent to all RNs on the report of lapsed memberships to encourage them to apply for the Foundation Grant that would allow them to rejoin for \$80. The results of this effort to drive membership is unknown at the present time. Please encourage any nurses not currently AORN members (new or membership lapsed > 6 months) in your departments to go onto the AORN website, apply for one of the grants while they are still available. Once the grant application has been reviewed, an email will be sent with the code to enter into the membership application for the discounted rate. This is a TWO STEP process – application for the grant AND then application for membership. A special acknowledgment to Ochsner Medical Center Kenner for having 100% membership of their nursing staff in AORN!
 - Newsletter and State Council: Mary Anne reminded everyone that next month's meeting will be at Ochsner Medical Center on Jefferson Hwy. The meeting will also be available via webinar for those not able to attend the meeting in person. The speaker will be from 3M. A flyer
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Treasurer's Report:

Previous balance: \$4026.88

Deposits:
+ \$441.75 (Chapter Dues)

Expenses:
- \$50 (Louisiana State Council Dues)

July ending balance: \$ 4418.63

Respectfully submitted,

**Melissa Guidry, Treasurer
AORN Chapter 1902**



It's not too early to start thinking about signing up to **volunteer** for the 2018 AORN Surgical Conference and Expo in New Orleans from 3/24/18 to 3/28/18.

As I receive the volunteering needs from Nat'l AORN, I will relay this information to all volunteers who signed up, so you can decide on what volunteering activity works best for you.

Please send your name and contact information (your personal email address and cell phone #.... please) via email to Sharon Guardina (Volunteer Coordinator) at sguardina@att.net (You do not need to be an AORN member to volunteer.)





Meeting Minutes – Continued from page 6:

- will be sent out to the facilities. Contact hours will also be available for those on the webinar. More information to follow. The next State Council meeting may be via conference call.
- Education Committee: Annual Seminar and Vendor Fair - 4.5 contact hours already secured. Vendors are still needed. See the vendor letter included in this newsletter. Silent Auction items are also needed. If you have anything to contribute or know of anyone who does, please let Ramie Miller or Catherine Lapeze know!
- Membership Committee: Chapter Grant Application -- Nathalie is applying for a chapter grant to have a "Meet and Greet" social to drive membership for 2018. The proposed date is November 15th and will also be the holiday party. Specifics of the Meet and Greet need to be sent to Nathalie for completion of the grant, publication to the membership, and recruitment of perioperative nurses not currently AORN members.
- Community Service Update: Continue to save eye glasses and toiletries. Two large bags were brought to St Joseph's for distribution to those in need.
- Legislative report: The Proclamation for Perioperative Nurses Week is in the works. Please look at the template letter to the editor that can be personalized and sent to your local newspaper as an opinion or editorial. The deadline to get this into the Pelican News is October 6th. Please send any information to Ramie Miller.
- Webmaster: Ramie reported that Ochsner Kenner's 100% Surgery RN membership in AORN was shared over 200 times! Both the Chapter Facebook page and website are updated as needed.

Old Business:

- Chapter 1902 will sponsor one of the nation-wide events for the film, "Defining Hope." It will be on Wednesday, November 1, 2017, with the location still to be finalized. If anyone has connections with radio or TV stations, let Nathalie know in order to promote this film to the community. Tickets will be sold to the public

the Oncology Nurses Society will also collaborate with us.

- Expo 2018 in New Orleans: Volunteers are still needed. Send your name in to Sharon Guardina if you would like to volunteer. This would be good Clinical Ladder credit!

New Business:

- Code of Ethics and Conduct: Sharon presented the Code of Ethics and Conduct and passed a copy around for those in attendance to sign.
- Chapter Accountability Standards: All Board of Directors will have access to the new Chapter Accountability Standards site to post the required documentation. Sharon will alert the Board when access has been granted.

Announcements:

- AORN of Atlanta will host a seminar on October 21, 2017. Please see the newsletter or Facebook page for details.
- During Periop nurses week, many AORN Board of Directors and executives will be in New Orleans. Stay tuned for the activities during that time.
- A location is needed for the Teddy Bear Clinic that is scheduled to be held on November 11, 2017. If your hospital would like to host this activity, please contact Nathalie Walker ASAP.
- Nathalie Walker announced that the Fundamentals modules of Periop 101 (the first 20 modules) will be available to nursing students after October 1, 2017 for only \$20 per seat! This needs to be publicized to generate interest in recruiting nurses into the perioperative arena!

AORN Guideline Spotlight:

- Sharon Guardina discussed the guideline for surgical attire.
- Next month's spotlight will be on cleaning ORs between cases.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:09PM.

Minutes from the meeting submitted by: Mandy Martin-Sanchez, Secretary, Chapter 1902

Legislative Report by Nathalie Walker, MBA, RN, CNOR, Continued from page 2

CMS' final IPPS rule for 2018: 10 things to know

Written by Ayla Ellison August 03, 2017 CMS has issued its Inpatient Prospective Payment System [final rule](#) for fiscal year 2018, which increases payments to acute care hospitals next year.

The 2,456-page rule also includes proposed rates for long-term care hospitals. Overall, the final rule applies to about 3,330 acute care hospitals and 420 long-term care hospitals.

Here are 10 key points from CMS' final IPPS rule.

Payment update

1. Under the final rule, acute care hospitals that report quality data and are also meaningful users of EHRs will receive a 1.2 percent increase in Medicare operating rates in fiscal year 2018.
2. CMS arrived at its rate of 1.2 percent through the following updates: a positive 2.7 percent market basket update, a negative 0.6 percentage point update for a productivity adjustment, a positive 0.45 percentage point adjustment required by the 21st Century Cures Act, a negative 0.75 percentage point update for cuts under the ACA and a negative 0.6 percent updated to remove the adjustment to offset the estimated costs of the two-midnight rule.
3. CMS projects the rate increase, together with other changes to IPPS payment policies, will cause total Medicare spending on inpatient hospital services to increase by approximately \$2.4 billion in fiscal 2018.

Medicare disproportionate share hospital payments

4. CMS will use data from its National Health Expenditure Accounts instead of data from the Congressional Budget Office to estimate the percent change in the rate of uninsurance, which is used in calculating the total amount of uncompensated care payments available to Medicare Disproportionate Share Hospitals. CMS said this change will result in Medicare DSH payments increasing by \$800 million in fiscal year 2018.
5. CMS will use worksheet S-10 data to determine uncompensated care payments and distribution beginning in fiscal year 2018.

Hospital Inpatient Quality Reporting Program

6. Under the final rule, CMS will replace the pain management questions in the HCAHPS Survey to focus on the hospital's communications with patients about the patients' pain during the hospital stay. This change will take effect with surveys administered in January 2018.
7. CMS finalized several changes to the electronic clinical quality measures and updated the extraordinary circumstances exception policy (Janice input: only report on 4 eCQM instead of 8)

Hospital Readmissions Reduction Program

8. CMS will implement the socioeconomic adjustment approach mandated by the 21st Century Cures Act for the fiscal year 2019 Hospital Readmissions Reduction Program. CMS will assess penalties based on a hospital's performance relative to other hospitals with a similar proportion of patients who are dually eligible for Medicare and Medicaid.

EHR Incentive Program

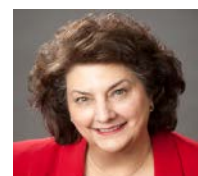
9. For 2018, CMS modified the EHR reporting periods for hospitals attesting to meaningful use from a full year to a minimum of any continuous 90-day period during the calendar year.

Hospital Value-Based Purchasing Program

10. CMS will remove one measure in fiscal year 2019 and adopt one new measure in FY 2022 and another in FY 2023. CMS will remove the PSI 90 measure from the safety domain beginning in FY 2019, and adopt the patient safety and adverse events composite PSI 90 measure beginning in FY 2023. CMS will also adopt the hospital-level, risk-standardized payment associated with a 30-day episode of care for pneumonia measure for the efficiency and cost reduction domain in FY 2022. Access the final rule [here](#).

Respectfully Submitted by,

Nathalie Walker MBA, RN, CNOR
AORN, President
AORN of New Orleans, Chapter 1902- Legislative Chair





Congratulations to Ochsner Kenner!
 100% of the circulators are AORN members!
 What an awesome group of nurses!

AORN Challenge Recruitment Contest

Calling all AORN of New Orleans Chapter 1902 members
 to help us grow our chapter.
 Please share this information with your colleagues

This year's annual Chapter Challenge is underway now. The AORN Foundation is offering grants.

For RN's to take advantage of the grant opportunity they go to

Step 1. [AORN Foundation Membership Grant: Chapter Challenge Survey](#) and fill out the form. Tell them to mark that they would be paying the \$80 for their membership.

Step 2. The Foundation will review the application

Step 3. If the application is approved, AORN will email the individual with instructions for redeeming the special half price membership (only \$80.) via a unique online code

Step 4. Complete ASAP, this is only good till August 31, 2017

This offer excludes students and retired memberships.

In addition our local chapter has set aside funds to assist new members interested in being active in chapter activities. Please contact Sharon Guardina, Chapter 1902 President, if you are interested in more details on how to apply for this.

AORN Chapter 1902 Meeting

September 2017

“Managing the Risk of Surgical Site Infections.”

Leslie Coco Frazier

3M Infection Prevention

When

Wednesday, September 27th

5:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

Presentation

Business Meeting

Where 1514 Jefferson Highway

Room - Classroom 2 by the Bridge (signs will be posted as you enter the building from the second floor parking garage)

Parking – complimentary visitor parking in garage

More Information

Contact: Susan Overman

Phone: 842-0370

soverman@ochsner.org

AORN CHAPTER OF NEW ORLEANS

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August 23, 2017

Dear Professional Medical Representative:

The AORN Chapter of New Orleans cordially invites you and your company to partner with us in our annual Vendor/Product Awareness Fair and Educational Seminar being offered to the perioperative community throughout the New Orleans and the surrounding area. Our chapter values the innovative progress of the Medical Companies and wish to share the new products, as well as, revisiting the time proven products to our perioperative healthcare professionals.

This event will be held in conjunction with an educational seminar for perioperative professionals. The event is scheduled for Saturday, January 13, 2018 and will be held at East Jefferson General Hospital. Exhibits will be open for the participants during the seminar breaks. Exhibit tables will be available at \$200 each. The educational seminar will be approved for CEU's for perioperative professionals.

Your participation in this event will make it possible for all attendees to attend the educational seminar and the exhibits at a minimal charge. Exhibit/sponsor fees will be used to help defray the costs of the chapter's educational offerings and scholarships throughout the year. Such sponsorship will be recognized in our chapter newsletter.

Space is limited; so please reserve your registration early

As you know, educational meetings such as these serve as a major fund raising effort for our local chapter. We would appreciate your consideration and continued support of our efforts. Please complete the attached form and return. Should you need, our tax ID # is 74-2653852. A signed W-9 form is attached. Also, again this year, vendors can pay for their exhibit table through pay pal by going to: www.aornofneworleanschapter1902.com.

Thank you for your support!

Respectfully,



Sharon Guardina, RN, BSN, CNOR
Chair, Vendor Exhibits
AORN Chapter 1902 – New Orleans

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Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give Form to the
requester. Do not
send to the IRS.

1 Name (as shown on your income tax return). Name is required on this line; do not leave this line blank.
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2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above

3 Check appropriate box for federal tax classification; check only **one** of the following seven boxes:
 Individual/sole proprietor or single-member LLC
 Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ _____
Note. For a single-member LLC that is disregarded, do not check LLC; check the appropriate box in the line above for the tax classification of the single-member owner.
 Other (see instructions) ▶ **Non-Profit**

4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):
 Exempt payee code (if any) **1**
 Exemption from FATCA reporting code (if any) _____
(Applies to accounts maintained outside the U.S.)

5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)
13450 STONELAKE DRIVE

6 City, state, and ZIP code
FOLSOM, LOUISIANA 70437

7 List account number(s) here (optional)

Requester's name and address (optional)

Print or type
See Specific Instructions on page 2.

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Social security number

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or
Employer identification number

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Note. If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1 and the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

- The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
- I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
- I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
- The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 3.

Sign Here Signature of U.S. person ▶ *Aaron Guardia* Date ▶ **01-13-18**

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. Information about developments affecting Form W-9 (such as legislation enacted after we release it) is at www.irs.gov/fw9.

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) which may be your social security number (SSN), individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN), adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN), or employer identification number (EIN), to report on an information return the amount paid to you, or other amount reportable on an information return. Examples of information returns include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Form 1099-INT (interest earned or paid)
- Form 1099-DIV (dividends, including those from stocks or mutual funds)
- Form 1099-MISC (various types of income, prizes, awards, or gross proceeds)
- Form 1099-B (stock or mutual fund sales and certain other transactions by brokers)
- Form 1099-S (proceeds from real estate transactions)
- Form 1099-K (merchant card and third party network transactions)

- Form 1098 (home mortgage interest), 1098-E (student loan interest), 1098-T (tuition)
- Form 1099-C (canceled debt)
- Form 1099-A (acquisition or abandonment of secured property)

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN.

If you do not return Form W-9 to the requester with a TIN, you might be subject to backup withholding. See *What is backup withholding?* on page 2.

- By signing the filled-out form, you:
- Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued).
 - Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
 - Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income, and
 - Certify that FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that you are exempt from the FATCA reporting, is correct. See *What is FATCA reporting?* on page 2 for further information.

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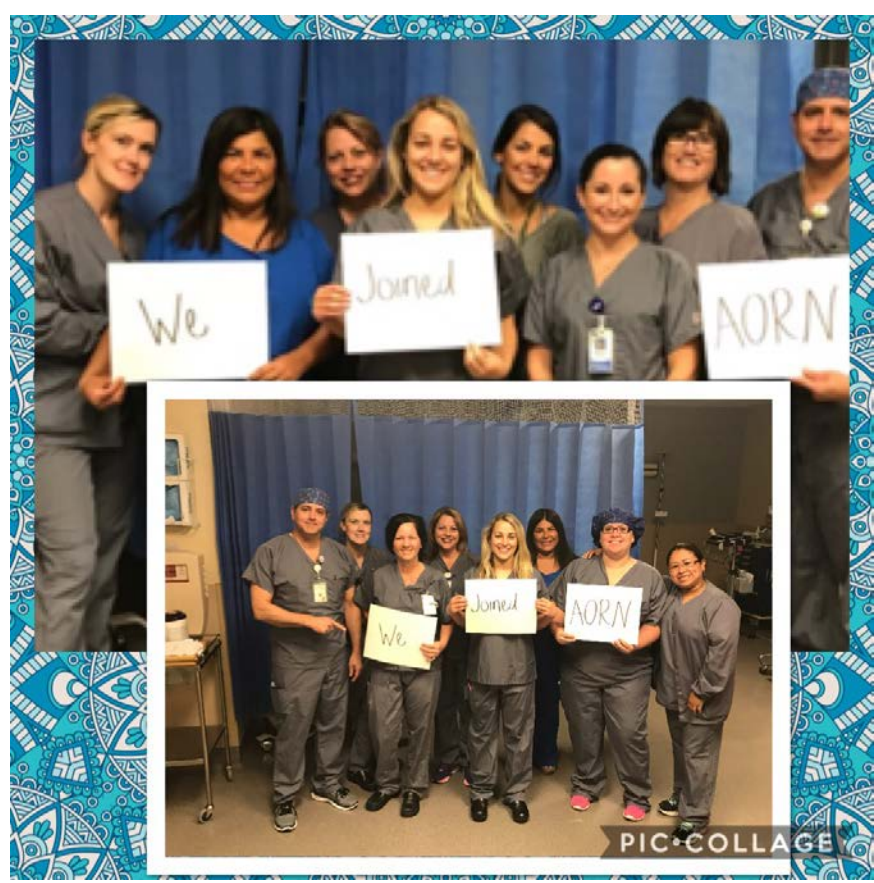
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Top right photo: The RNs who participate in the Journal club.



Bottom left photo: Staff volunteered their time at the Community Garden. From left to right: Caitlin Ordoyne, Carol Canton, Emily Liimatta, Melissa Kael, Andrea Melton, Geri Tannehill, Gloria Mejia.

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2-Day Program
17.4 Contact Hours



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Learn test-taking strategies, create a study plan, & review CNOR® exam subject areas.

Saturday, October 7, 2017
7:45 am – 4:30 pm

Sunday, October 8, 2017
8:30am – 3:15pm

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Register online by Wednesday, October 4, 2017
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LEARNING OUTCOME

After completing this continuing nursing education (CNE) learning activity, the perioperative RN will have increased his/her knowledge of current, evidence-based perioperative practices and preparation strategies to successfully complete the CNOR® exam.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Review evidence-based perioperative nursing principles and practices.
2. Discuss key components of the nursing process related to perioperative nursing care.
3. Examine test taking strategies to maximize performance on the CNOR® exam.
4. Develop a personal study plan for success.

*After completing the online assessments, weekend event, and course evaluation, participants will be able to receive

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CNE CONTACT HOURS.

ABOUT OUR PRESENTER:

Dr. Mary A. Hillanbrand, DNP, RN, CNOR, CCNS, CNS-CP is a perioperative education consultant and perioperative nursing expert. As the current Perioperative Director at Andrews Air Force Base, Dr. Hillanbrand will share her extensive knowledge of evidence-based perioperative practices with the attendees.

PROGRAM AGENDA

Day 1 - Saturday, October 7, 2017

7:45-8:00am	Registration
8:00-8:05am	Intro & Welcome
8:05-9:15am	Perioperative Nursing Process
9:15-10:15am	Aseptic Practices
10:15-10:30am	Break
10:30-11:30am	Principles of Anesthesia
11:30am-12:00pm	Lunch on your own
12:00-1:00pm	Critically Ill Patients in the OR
1:00 -1:30pm	Key Points of the Guidelines
1:30-2:00pm	Quiz/ Material Review
2:00-2:15pm	Break
2:15-2:45pm	Specialty Equipment
2:45-3:15pm	Special Patient Populations
3:15-4:00pm	Patient and Worker Safety
4:00-4:30pm	Game/Review

Day 2 – Sunday, October 8, 2017

8:30 - 9:15am	Safe Care of Patients
9:15-10:00am	Principles of Positioning
10-10:15am	Break
10:15-11:15am	Group review/Surgical Procedures
11:15am-12:30pm	Sterilization
12:30-1:00pm	Lunch on your own
1:00-1:30pm	Learning Styles
1:30-2:00pm	Test Taking Strategies
2:00-3:00pm	Pathway to Success
3:00-3:15pm	Wrap up and Distribution of Certificates

Accreditation: Association of perioperative Registered Nurses (AORN) is accredited with distinction as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

AORN is provider-approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider Number CEP 13019. Check with your state board of nursing for acceptability of education sessions for re-licensure.

The Prep for CNOR Live program is designed strictly to be used as review and preparation for the CNOR exam. AORN does not administer the CNOR exam; the CNOR exam is administered by the Competency and Credentialing Institute. Candidates for the CNOR exam must meet the eligibility requirements as defined by the Competency and Credentialing Institute.

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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



2-YEAR BIENNIAL LICENSURE RENEWAL IS COMING IN 2017 FOR YOUR 2018 RN/APRN LICENSE.

I am very pleased to report that Louisiana is moving to biennial licensure that will allow RNs and APRNs to renew their licenses for two (2) years. This transition becomes effective with the license renewal period beginning

October 1, 2017 for your 2018 active license. The LSBN Board approved the plan at the April 20, 2017 board meeting. We will join the 45 other states who currently have biennial licensure. Only Connecticut, Kentucky, Washington and West Virginia will remain as single year license states. Iowa has 3 year licensure and Arizona has 4 year licensure. The original plan was to have license renewal on birthdays, but in response to concerns voiced by our nursing organization partners throughout the state, we have decided to maintain our current policy of renewing licenses beginning October 1st of each year and continuing through December 31st. January is provided as a 'grace period' for late renewals and renewal during this month will continue to include a late renewal fee along with the regular license fees. The driving forces behind the change are to eliminate the onerous task of RNs and APRNs having to renew their license annually and to assist LSBN in providing improved and timely service to our constituents. Not only will this plan provide you better customer service during renewal season, it will allow LSBN to allocate greater resources to improving professional practice in the state and collaborating with our community partners on nursing workforce development. We will be using a graduated system to move all licensees to the new biennial system. Licensees whose last name begins with the letters A-M will renew during the 2018 renewal season and will be renewing their licenses for a 2-year period. Such biennial licenses will be active from January 1, 2018 and expire on December 31, 2019. Licensees whose last name begins with the letters N-Z will renew during the 2018 renewal season and will be renewing each of their licenses for a 1-year period with renewed licenses active from January 1, 2018 and expiring December 31, 2018. Licensees whose last name begins with the letters N-Z will begin biennial renewal processes next year during the 2019 renewal season that begins in October 2018. Using this method, by renewal year 2019, we will be renewing half of our licensees each year

for a 2-year cycle. LSBN will be developing a **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)** sheet in the near future to address all the questions and concerns that will come with our new process. This will be distributed to all RNs and APRNs in Louisiana through your email on file with the agency and through communications in *The Examiner* and on our website. We promise to keep you posted and to work with all our constituents as we implement this new process.

2017 LEGISLATIVE SESSION. Following is a summary of the legislative action that occurred in the 2017 session that had implications for LSBN:

- SB75 authored by Senator Mills provided relative to the health profession licensing boards created within the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) and would have provided increased oversight of the health profession licensing boards by the Department of Health. The bill would have increased the responsibility of LDH to provide greater oversight of the licensing, education preparation and regulatory activities of each of the licensing boards including greater fiscal oversight. The bill also would have required that each health licensing board have at least one (1) consumer member, an action that LSBN had already taken in 2016 with the change to our Nurse Practice Act requiring two (2) consumer members of the board. The most concerning change to licensing board regulation would have been in the area of board hearings, which would have been transferred to the sole jurisdiction of an administrative law judge. It was readily acknowledged by the health licensing boards that administrative law judges were experts in criminal and civil law and legal proceedings under the administrative procedures act. There was concern, however, that these judges would have less expertise than discipline-specific board members in the complexities of each of the health disciplines. The bill was defeated in House Health & Welfare Committee.
- HB490 authored by Representative Walt Leger and sponsored by Senator Mills creates the Advisory Council on Heroin and Opioid Prevention and Education within the Drug Policy Board; to provide for the membership, powers, and duties of the council; to require an Interagency Heroin and Opioid Coordination Plan; to provide for

