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Meet the 2014 Candidates

The National Board of Directors annual election opens May 6. We urge you to take a moment to get to know the candidates. Background information on each has been posted on the GAPNA website for your review.

Please take a moment to visit our website and [view the qualifications of each of the nominees](#).

Thanks in advance,
Nominating Committee

REVISED – Toolkit of Gerontology Resources for APRNs

GAPNA's Education Committee has announced the availability of their newly revised "Toolkit of Gerontology Resources for APRNs". This toolkit has been divided into two sections:

1. Healthcare Resources for Gerontological Education and
2. Preceptor Resources and Guidelines. This Toolkit is a must-have.

Upcoming Events

[Florida Chapter Symposium](#)

May 2-3, 2014

Leading the Way in Caring for the Older Adult

[Chicagoland Annual Dinner Meeting](#)

Thursday - May 15, 2014

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Friday, May 16

Sixth Annual Statewide Continuing Education Day
"Building Skills and Advancing Excellence in Geriatric Care"

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[Advancing Geriatric Oncology Care](#)

(session captured at the GAPNA 2013 Annual Conference)

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[Click here to read more about the revisions and additions incorporated into this Toolkit or to download a copy.](#)

National Partnership to Improve Dementia Care in Nursing Homes MLN Connects™ National Provider Call

Tuesday, May 20th; 1:30-3:00pm ET

A CMS subject matter expert will provide National Partnership updates, discuss efforts to monitor enforcement rates, and track surveyor training completion. Additional speakers will be presenting on the critical role that activity professionals play in the mission to improve dementia care and the reduction of antipsychotic medications through person-centered, non-pharmacologic care approaches.

To Register: [Visit MLN Connects™ Upcoming Calls](#). Space may be limited, register early.

[Read the call description](#)

Annual Conference Information

If you need to submit in advance costs related to attending GAPNA's Annual Conference in September, please visit our website for registration rates and hotel information. The registration brochure will be posted in May.

<https://www.gapna.org/annual-conference>

Welcome Liberty Chapter

Please join GAPNA in welcoming our newest Chapter... Liberty! The Liberty Chapter encompasses the state of Pennsylvania. The Chapters' leadership includes: Lisa Gill, President; Kia Mellon, President-Elect; and Ann Kriebel-Gasparro, Secretary/Treasurer.

Any members currently living in the state of Pennsylvania will be automatically reassigned to this Chapter. If you would rather not be reassigned, please complete the [Change Your Chapter Affiliation](#) form on our website or contact our National Office at 866-355-1392.

GAO Interview on Reducing Antipsychotic Medications

GAPNA President Byrd Lisa Byrd PhD, FNP-BC, GNP-BC was recently interviewed by the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) on Reducing Antipsychotic Use in the Older Adult Patient.

[Click here to read more about this intriguing interview.](#)

Abstracts Due May 15

The GAPNA Research and Education Committees are now accepting abstracts for research, clinical, and education projects for podium and poster presentations for the 2014 GAPNA Annual Conference. Projects should be original work not published or presented elsewhere, completed by August 2014, and should enrich the advanced practice nurse's knowledge and/or enhance the care of the older adult.

*Abstracts must be received by midnight **May 15**. [Click here for abstract guidelines and the submission form.](#)

Rank 9 Topics – Takes 3 minutes!

The Geropsych Focus Group would be delighted to have your participation in a gerontological advanced practice nurse survey. You will be asked to rank nine (9) topics related to clinical practice via a drop down menu to help us better understand the educational needs of GAPNA members working with older adults that have mental health problems. The survey is voluntary and anonymous. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

[Click here to take the survey.](#)

GAPNA's GeroPsych Focus Group

APRN Student Scholarships Available

GAPNA is now accepting applications for this year's APRN Student Scholarships. Applications must be received by **June 15**. Scholarships will be awarded in the amounts of \$2,500 to \$5,000 to full-time students matriculated or matriculating into an accredited, degree-granting, Masters or Post Masters certificate nursing program with an emphasis on gerontology such as: Adult/Gerontological Primary Care, Acute Care, or Clinical Nurse Specialist for the 2014-2015 school year.

[Download the requirements and application](#)

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