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Hospice/Palliative Care – Amy Imes
House Calls – Allison Dobecka
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Veterans Care – Katherine Voss

Gerontology Nursing Certification Commission (GNCC):

George Byron Peraza-Smith, President

GNCC follows a calendar year

At the end of 2021: 136 individuals certified (33 test administered, 31 passing results)

At the end of 2022: 158 individuals certified (33 tests administered, 22 passing results)

Leadership Institute:

Deborah Dunn, Institute Director



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GAPNA Excellence Award Winners 2022:

GAPNA Innovative Project Award

GAPNA Historical Committee

Special Interest Group (SIG) Excellence Award

Post-Acute Care /Long-Term Care SIG

Chapter Excellence Award

Liberty Chapter

Excellence Award in Community Service

Jade Vergara

Excellence Award in Clinical Practice

Margaret Huryk

Excellence Award in Education

Sara McCumber

Excellence Award in Leadership

Cassandra Vannes

Excellence Award in Research

Sabrina Pickens

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Foundation Award Winners 2022

GAPNA Foundation Grant

Cassandra Vannes

"Factors Associated with Unplanned 30-day Readmissions in the Older Adult with Cancer: A Comprehensive Cancer Center Exploratory Improvement Project"

Connie S. Cole

"Understanding Provider Perspectives about the Use of Palliative Care Referral Criteria or Tools with Nursing Facility Residents"

GAPNA Foundation Research Project Grant Award

Katherine Ladetto

"Long-term Care Nurses' Intent to Stay: A Qualitative Hermeneutic Phenomenology Study"

Barbara Resnick Health Promotion Grant

Katelyn E. Webster

Factors Influencing Changes in Disability Outcomes and Transfers to Nursing Home Among Assisted Living Residents with Diabetes"



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GAPNA Foundation Research Project Grant Award *(continued)*

GAPNA Foundation Virginia Lee Cora Research/Project Grant

Dr. Mariya Kovaleva, RN, PhD, AGPCNP-BC

“Telehealth Transitional Care for Persons Living with Dementia: A Feasibility Study”

Barbara Resnick Health Promotion Grant

Katelyn E. Webster

Poster Awards, Funded by the GAPNA Foundation

- 1st Place** - The Effect of COVID-19 Quarantine on Body Weight in Residents of Assisted-Living Facilities
Maureen Beck; Shuyan Bi,
- 2nd Place** - Pharmacological Data: A Useful Tool in Geriatric Medication Safety
Angela Scardina; Kelly Magrum
- 3rd Place** - Cardiovascular Risk Assessment in the Older Adult: Don't Call Cardiac Clearance!
Cassandra Vannes

Podium Awards

- 1st Place** - Perceived Effectiveness of Nursing Faculty of Clinical Video Simulation for Use in Nurse Practitioner Education
Laurie Kennedy-Malone
- 2nd Place** - Thinking Outside the Classroom: Development of an Interactive Pressure Injury Prevention Fair Notably of Older Adults Risk for Undergraduate and Graduate Nursing Students
Autumn Henson
- 3rd Place** - Academic Needs Assessment: Examining Post-Licensure Nursing Students Perceived Assessment and Reporting Elder Abuse Knowledge
Sally Mahmoud

Health Affairs Scholarship Winner

Abigail Parrish

National Office Staff, Anthony J. Jannetti, Inc.:

Executive Director – Michael Brennan

Association Services Manager – Erin Maccartney

Membership Coordinator- Meghan Cash (August 2022)

Director of Marketing – Jack Edelman

Registration Manager – Danielle

Conference Manager – Peggy Robins

Education Director – Rosemarie Marmion

Education Coordinator – Kristina Moran

Director of Online Learning and Innovation, Administration of On-line Community, GAPNA Exchange – Celess Tyrell



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GAPNA Platinum Strategic Partners:

Avanir pharmaceuticals, Eisai

GAPNA Strategic Partners:

Acadia, Sunovion

GAPNA Annual Conference Sponsors

Acadia, astellas, janssen, Lilly, Sanofi, SmithNephew, Sunovion

Annual Dues:

Member Category	Description	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years
Regular	(Advanced practice nurse)	\$100.00	\$190.00	\$285.00
Associate	(Interest in GAPNA)	\$100.00	\$190.00	\$285.00
Retired	(Advanced practice nurse)	\$75.00	N/A	N/A
Student		\$60.00	N/A	N/A

Geriatric Nursing, GAPNA Section Editor(s):

Elizabeth M. Long
Benjamin Smallheer (through 2021)
Denise L. Lyons (January 2022)

GAPNA Website Editor:

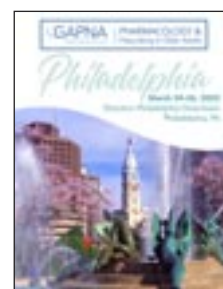
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Newsletter Editor:

Brenda Van Roosenbeek

GAPNA Accomplishments:

- GAPNA 7th Annual Pharmacology Conference, March 24-26, 2022, Sheraton Philadelphia Downtown, Philadelphia, PA; Pre-con September 14, 2022
 - Hybrid, both live and virtual event
 - Registrants: 454 paid attendees; 131 in person, 323 virtual; 347 members, 107 non-members
 - 11.5 credits, all available for pharmacology credit
 - CEUs are available post-conference in GAPNA Online Library; available for purchase for non-attendees
- GAPNA 41st Annual Conference, September 15-17, 2022, Hyatt Regency Grand Cypress Orlando, FL
 - Hybrid, both live and virtual event
 - Registrants, Main Conference:
 - In person: 219 members, 76 non-members, total: 295
 - Virtual: 101 members, 20 non-members, total: 121
 - Grand Total: 416
 - Registrants, Pre-Con (in person only):
 - In person: 75 members, 12 non-members, Total: 87 for all pre-cons



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- CEUs
 - Main conference: 14.5/up to 3.13 pharma
 - Pre-con: 3 – 6.5/1.5 depending on selection
 - Acute Care Tract
 - 1st GAPNA Gallery Successful; it replaced the SIG & Committee meetings
 - 21 Exhibitors
 - 9 ISPTs
- GAPNA Chat, GAPNA Podcast Episodes. GAPNA Chat premiered on January 12, 2022, and provides interviews with GAPNA leaders and members of the gerontological healthcare community. The podcast focuses on advocacy, policy, education, professional development, research, and clinical care for older adults. Cassandra Vannes, a GNP and member of the Communications Committee, will lead the podcasts. Members can subscribe and listen to GAPNA Chat on Apple Podcasts, Google Podcasts, Spotify, Stitcher, TuneIn Radio, Spreaker, and other podcast delivery services. There will be two series of podcasts yearly. Series one was comprised of six episodes, featuring GAPNA leaders. The second series kicked off in August 2022 and featured eight episodes focusing on clinical issues in the older adult population.
 - Beginning in the first quarter of 2022, chapter reimbursement checks will be issued twice yearly, rather than quarterly. This change will improve the check issuing process from the National Office.
 - Document in progress to help describe adult-gerontology programs and help faculty advise students as to what program they should consider: *Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioners: A Discussion of Scope and Expertise*. Led by MJ Henderson (Education Committee)
 - Three GAPNA members authored: Baker N, Dunn D, Greenberg S, Shaughnessy M. Letter to the Editor: Infection control in long-term care: an old problem and new priority. *JAMDA*.2021xxx(2021):1-2. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jamda.2021.12.010>
 - On March 23 and 24, 2022, GAPNA leaders met face to face for a 2-day Strategic Planning session in Philadelphia to develop the framework plan to guide the organization for the next 5 years. This was originally scheduled for 2020 but delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During these planning sessions, Dr. Natalie Baker introduced the updated Strategic Planning at the annual Membership Meeting hosted at the GAPNA Annual Conference.
 - GAPNA's approach to diversity, equity, and inclusion was discussed at length by GAPNA Leaders during the strategic planning meeting in Philadelphia, March 2022, along with the steps the organization needs to take to best serve all members. In preparation for the annual Membership Meeting, the GAPNA Board of Directors released a public diversity, equity, and inclusion statement for public comment. This public comment period was open July 25 – August 8th. After this period closed, the GAPNA Board reviewed all comments to ensure this public statement reflects all members' voices and informs how decisions will be made. The final statement:

GAPNA's longtime approach to diversity is about embracing all backgrounds, cultures, and viewpoints while promoting equity, inclusion, and accessibility. We are fully committed to creating a welcoming environment for everyone. We will continue to strengthen and diversify our organization's culture to ensure these values are woven into the fabric of our mission and the experiences we provide for our nurses, patients, and their families. By maintaining a caring and inclusive environment for all of our members, we will continue to be the trusted leaders in the expert care of older adults. GAPNA recognizes longstanding disparities in the older adult population and advocates for the removal of barriers.

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- Published, *"A Practical Guide for the Gerontological Specialist,"* a novel, useful resource for advanced practice nurses caring for older adults and those seeking a review for the Gerontological Specialist-Certification (GS-C) examination. First made available at the annual conference and now available in the GAPNA Store at the special member price of \$75.00. Megan Pratt, a member of GLI was instrumental in the production.
- UCLA Dementia Care Specialist (DCS): DCS met in the Spring to discuss next steps.
- Four Rising Star Nominees: Victoria Nalls, Patrick Luib, Brett Svensson, Tomika Williams.
- A Late Breaker Poster Submission was discussed and discounted as would involve an additional cost and there was not a demand for this.
- Professional Relations Grid Review, an internal document to describe professional relationships with GAPNA, was revised.
- Discussion on development of a toolkit/tip sheet for the Post-Acute/LTC SIG. If older adults from LTC facilities are transferred to warehouses due to disasters, need to address clinical/operational issues, and consider regulations, policies and a broader scope. Will work with the SIG to discuss, "What does the clinician need to know for practicing in LTC during disasters/infectious disease outbreaks."
- Problem solved re the Future of the Hospice/Palliative Care SIG due to poor attendance.
- Regular membership dues have remained constant since 2009. Given the increased expense of marketing, technology/technical support, more administrative staffing, chapter support, dues will be increased as of January 2023. State/regional chapter allocation will not increase.
- The Annual LTC Round Table meeting's discussion on GAPNA's Position Statement, "Addressing Nursing Home Safety during the COVID-19 Pandemic and Beyond," netted follow-up action items for four committees and a SIG.
- A process will be developed for researchers, educators, etc., needing assistance from GAPNA for purposes of recruitment for a fee of \$200.
- Membership in The Coalition of Geriatric Nursing Organizations (CGNO) was terminated. CGNO disbanded effective 12/31/21.
- Reviewed and gave feedback to the Educations Committee for their planned articles, "Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioners: A discussion of Scope and Expertise and a Call for Action," and an article for AJN, "Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioners: A discussion of scope and expertise."
- Gave feedback to the Awards Committee for the new Innovative Project Award, which was approved on January 24, 2022.
- Due to low participation, recommended that the VA SIG, and the Hospice and Palliative Care SIG meet virtually in the GAPNA Exchange for three months and then reassess their viability.
- The Nursing Home Survey was discussed in relation to the development of facility-specific antibiograms for nursing homes, supported by grant funding from AHRQ. Prescribing clinicians working in nursing homes can participate in an online survey that is a series of five clinical vignettes. They will be compensated \$50.
- GSA Nurses Leader Forum; Sherry Greenberg attended and presented an overview of the meeting.
- GAPNA may collaborate with AANP to provide Geropsych seminars.
- Natalie Baker was chosen to represent GAPNA at the NP Roundtable Task Force.
- Candidates were chosen for the Neurological Behaviors White Paper, in fulfillment of an Avair grant. Nanette Lavoie-Vaughan will be the author. Deborah Haim and Sarah Dulaney will be content reviewers. The paper was approved on August 18, 2022.
- Approved a survey to be done by the Research Committee on APP Medicare Hospice Benefits.
- Allowed the research proposal, "Perceived Effectiveness of Nursing Faculty of Clinical Video Simulations for use in Nurse Practitioner Education," endorsed by the Research Committee and funded by the GAPNA Foundation to be sent out to members.
- NTF revised criteria and Final Draft NONPF revised criteria were approved.
- GAPNA continues free monthly NCPD.

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GAPNA Committees at Work:

- **Awards Committee** – The Awards Committee received 18 nominations this year. A decision was made to keep the Emerging Chapter Excellence award, despite no applicants. The Excellence in SIG Award was replaced by the Innovative Project Award, which also allowed GAPNA Committees to submit for recognition. A Diversity, Equity and Inclusion criterion was also added to each award to promote GAPNA's strategic initiative of increasing diversity and inclusiveness.
- **Chapter Leadership** – An annual Calendar was created to outline the dates of chapter meetings, annual progress reports, financial reports, newsletter dates etc. They had guest speakers to inform the chapters about National activities. Added "Chapter Chatter" to Around the U.S. (this is a standing agenda item for Chapter Presidents and Vice Presidents to share their activities). They encouraged sharing ideas for engaging members by the chapters. Southern California was the winner of March Madness. Loss of four chapters: Seattle 404, Sonora 401, Heartland 305, Central Virginia 211.
- **Communications Committee** – Collaborated with the National Office to launch the organization's podcast, GAPNA Chat and confirmed speakers for the next batch of podcast topics. They appointed a GAPNA Exchange Liaison. These individual monitors the Exchange for content, questions, and engagement. The Website Editor has communicated closely with our Board Liaison on website needs and updates. The committee continues to discuss strategies to increase social media engagement within the organization and is exploring a "social media team" for on-site conferences to encourage content on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram.
- **Education Committee** – Submitted an abstract for podium presentation at annual conference. Completed update on Preceptor Toolkit. Submitted articles to quarterly GAPNA newsletter. "*Adult Gerontological Nurse Practitioners: A discussion of scope and expertise*" paper completed and had two articles based on this paper accepted for publication in peer reviewed journals. Reviewed abstracts for 2022 annual conference and will judge podium/poster presentations at the conference. Continued work on implementation of a digital repository of peer reviewed learning activities. Work in progress to organize digital material by topic area with peer review on the GAPNA website. Led by Laurie-Kennedy Malone (Education Committee) I am happy to announce that the 8th edition of the Gerontology Resources for APRN Preceptors and Students Toolkit has been published on the GAPNA.org website. It can be accessed under the "Practice" tab. Please share with your colleagues and students. They do not have to be a GAPNA member to access the toolkit.
- **Health Affairs Committee** – Members collaborated with other nursing organizations and coalitions to represent GAPNA. They improved communication for all GAPNA members by posting minutes with attachments of discussions of members on the Health Affairs Committee Exchange and by writing newsletter articles to update the membership on health affairs activities. Signed letters and position statements with other coalitions sent to GAPNA for posting on website. Did letter-writing campaign around legislation that affects APRN practice. New development of a Long-Term Care Coalition Task Force to address APRN billing for skilled patients.
- **Historical Committee** – The 2021 presentation on GAPNA's 40th Anniversary with thought leaders' predictions of the future of GAPNA and care of the older adults was made available on GAPNA's online library. A 2016-2020 addendum of GAPNA's history was added to the historical monograph. An article on GAPNA's 4th decade was published in GN. Written permission was obtained from Elsevier to add this article to GAPNA's website, along with an older article on men's involvement in nursing and GAPNA. With the help of the central office, GAPNA's records February 2011 – 2012 were archived, along with some other historical records that were located, and records for 3 chapters (Chicagoland, Great Lakes, Gulf Coast Texas). Submitted a nomination for the first Innovative Project Award and won for the committee's work around capturing GAPNA achievements in the Year-In-Review.



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- **Nominating Committee** – Had the highest participation in years with voting 11.55%, above the set goal of 10%. Utilized social media to encourage colleagues to vote. Received great feedback regarding the platform used for voting this year. Changed the process and position descriptions, which were approved by the Board.
- **Planning Committee** – Planned 2022 GAPNA Conference. After receiving the 2021 conference surveys, they reviewed the feedback and identified ideas/hot topics from the 2021 attendees. Worked with the Acute and Emergent Care SIG to aid in identification of experts for the topics. The abstracts were reviewed by the members and sessions were selected. They worked with the national office to finalize the process for the conference.
- **Research Committee** – Updated their goals for the year. Members submitted quarterly to the GAPNA Newsletter with synopsis of current research and/or a member spotlight. They participated in the review process of the annual conference abstracts and presented a webinar on “How to Create a Winning Abstract.” for the GAPNA membership. They participated in the review of two research proposals, which were both approved. They planned for the conference with poster and presentation judging, the research booth and Cash Cab game again. They began the collective work of defining the research capacity of the members.

GAPNA SIGS at Work:

- **Acute/Emergent Care** – The group continues to work on their acute and emergent care toolkit and decided to change their meetings to quarterly in an effort to increase attendance. The group is working on planning a podcast for GAPNA Chat with topics including collaboration between the AGACNP and AGP CMP to improve care transitions as well as geriatric surgery verification program to optimize surgical care of the older adult.
- **GeroPsych** – The group published 3 articles in the past year in addition to having podium presentations at the annual conference on social isolation in older adults. They submitted the NP’s and Neuropsychiatric Syndrome videos for the Innovative project award. Two of the SIG members ran for board positions. The chair, Tammy Arms, also a GLI fellow, has been leading work on Geropsych toolkit with input from several members. Geropsych SIG published a part 2 manuscript on Psychosis for publication May 2022.
- **Geropsych SIG** – 3 members are working on a marginalization manuscript and 3 other members are working on a PTSD manuscript.
- **Hospice/Palliative Care** – No report submitted.
- **House Calls** – The group hosted zoom meetings which covered discussions of supporting new and seasoned house calls providers. They aimed to grow the group, and plan to collaborate with other SIGs with similar interests. Growth and support discussions included topics of support for new house call programs and providers, providing subject matter experts, as well as continued care for the geriatric population throughout the lasting pandemic. Attendance varied, so the group planned to survey its members on preferred meeting times.
- **Post-Acute Care/Long Term Care** – The group was successful under a new chair, networking with other SIGs with similar interests for collaboration purposes (e.g., NP Tool Kit), increasing membership to total 50, and hosting nine meetings since the 2021 Annual Conference. To encourage attendance and participation, monthly outreach to SIG members was conducted by the Chair. The group plans to collect resources for APNs and promote leadership in the PAC/LTC space, work with other PAC/LTC groups, and create/maintain an NP preceptor program in the PAC/LTC field.
- **Veterans Care** – The group met quarterly and had several educational submissions to articles on the care of older adult veterans for GAPNA’s quarterly newsletter and multiple posts to GAPNA exchange. Members have started submissions for a 2023 JNP article on Aging Veterans and Resources. The group had low attendance and participation, so they plan to increase membership engagement and explore different expertise strategies for the SIG.



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Health and APRN Influences

- The Age Friendly Health Systems will start their next series of virtual meetings in March. The 4Ms approach (what matters, medication, mentation, & mobility) teaches healthcare providers the importance of patient-centered care that is critical when treating older adults. Any healthcare organization can join the free action communities. Benefits include enhancing the quality of care provided to your patients while networking with like-minded providers across the country. This year, the Institute for Healthcare Improvement is strategically marketing to long-term care facilities. I urge everyone to read more about this innovative care model ihi.org/AgeFriendly and consider promoting it within your organizations. For additional information, contact Alice Bonner abonner@ihi.org or Sumire Maki smaki@ihi.org
- H.R. 8812 The Improving Care and Access to Nurses (ICAN) Act introduced by Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard (D-CA) September 13, 2022, would remove barriers to practice under the Medicare and Medicaid programs by increasing access to health care services provided by advanced practice registered nurses (APRNs), as described in a press conference held on Capitol Hill, September 13, 2022. Currently, more than 200,000 APRNs, including nurse practitioners (NPs), clinical nurse specialists, certified registered nurse anesthetists, and certified nurse-midwives, are treating Medicare patients, and approximately 40% of Medicare beneficiaries are receiving care from APRNs. The ICAN Act aims to remove administrative and practice barriers by authorizing APRNs to order and supervise cardiac and pulmonary rehabilitation, order diabetic shoes, refer patients for medical nutrition therapy, certify and recertify a patient's terminal illness for hospice eligibility, and perform all mandatory examinations in skilled nursing facilities. If passed, the act would allow APRN patients to be fully included in the beneficiary attribution process for the Medicare Shared Savings Program. The act would amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act and the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018.

Chapters:

Loss of 4 Chapters, officially dissolved: Seattle 404, Sonoran 401, Heartland 305, Central Virginia 211.
Struggling Chapters: Florida 206, Florida Gulf Coast 208, Mid-South Tennessee 205 and Southern California 403

Total: 18

