

Hotline

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FNSA and your Region 1 Director, Maria Sheppard, would like to introduce our Region 1 Schools:

Florida State University



Hi! My name is Madeline Schildkraut and I am the President of Florida State University's NSNA chapter! Our chapter has some very exciting things coming up for this semester, we will be participating in an AIDS walk in Tallahassee, Dance Marathon at Florida State, and Relay for Life amongst other events. Throughout the semester we also will be collecting supplies to donate to the Tallahassee Memorial Neonatal Intensive Care Unit and the Leon County Ronald McDonald House. However, the most exciting thing coming up for our chapter is that we are sending all six members of our executive board to the NSNA convention in Dallas! We

are really looking forward to learning more about the resolution process so that our chapter can submit our own resolution at the State Convention in this upcoming October. I am very excited to represent our chapter at this convention and we cannot wait to learn more about how NSNA works nationwide. Go Noles!

University of West Florida

Hi, I'm Sara Spillers, the new UWF Chapter president. Our members and I have been busy planning events for this semester. I will be attending the upcoming Advocacy Days in March along with a couple of the board members. We are eager to get a better grasp on nursing and how it is involved in legislation. We are also looking into participating in Relay for Life here at UWF; to raise money, we have begun planning fundraisers at Buffalo Wild Wings and Jason's Deli. We are hoping to attend a career fair at a local elementary school to spread the word of nursing. We also plan to have a workshop with our members and a guest speaker, to prepare for NCLEX! Because our chapter is committed to service, our members and board members are always brainstorming new ways to impact our community. I know we will do great things in the upcoming semester, and I look forward to keeping in touch with FNSA throughout my time as president!

Pensacola State College

As an up and coming chapter of FNSA, we are very proud of PSC for committing their time and energy towards building this chapter. There will be a mixer for PSC nursing students on February 7th; all nursing and pre-nursing students are welcome to attend and learn more about this amazing organization!

Other Region 1 Schools include **Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University.**

Communications Committee

Website Updates

The FNSA website has a plethora of information!

- The 2017 annual Florida Nursing Students Association Convention now has a page on our website to keep all members updated! <http://fnsaconvention.weebly.com/>
The theme for the convention has been determined: Building the Future of Nursing
There will be a Logo contest coming soon, information on this will be posted on this portion of the website, Facebook, and Instagram.
- There is a calendar located under the 'resources' tab that includes board meeting dates. These meetings are located at the FNA Headquarters in Orlando and are open to all members. Dates for Advocacy Days, Nursing Students Week, National Convention, State Convention, and many more are also included! <http://www.fnsa.net/calendar.html>

Instagram

Please follow FNSA on Instagram at: flstudentnurses

- I am looking forward to building the FNSA Instagram page this year! My goal is to correlate the posts with the current month's Hotline. This will allow members across the state to visualize what other chapters are doing and gain insight from each other's experiences!
- As always, the FNSA board is meant to represent our members! If you, a classmate, or your SNA chapter would like to be featured on Instagram, please send your photos to fnsaregion1@gmail.com with a brief description.
- February 26th-March 4th is Nursing Students Week. Please send any and all photos of your chapter members celebrating to fnsaregion1@gmail.com.

Show us what YOU bring to nursing! Send in a photo of yourself or a classmate showing what they bring to nursing. An example format may be the student holding a paper that reads "I bring _____ to nursing", fill in the blank! Your photo will be featured on the flstudentnurses Instagram and Facebook!

Featured Resolution

TOPIC: IN SUPPORT OF INCORPORATING COMPREHENSIVE DEAF CULTURE AND SENSISTIVITY EDUCATION INTO NURSING CURRICULA.

SUBMITTED BY: The Student Nurses' Association at University of Central Florida- Orlando

AUTHORS: Caroline Chu and Sean Lamphier

WHEREAS, Deaf culture is rarely taught alongside race and geographical cultures as part of the diversity education for health care professionals, like nursing. This leads to healthcare systems providing uninformed care (Richardson, 2014); and

WHEREAS, those in the Deaf community consider themselves part of a culturally-rich heritage, contrary to the common healthcare provider belief that their inability to hear is a medical problem (Fileccia, 2014); and

WHEREAS, with adequate American Sign Language medical interpreting services, the risk of obtaining inaccurate medical history assessment, medical errors, and noncompliance of Deaf patients' treatment can be significantly decreased (Dickson, 2014); and

WHEREAS, in a study by Ebert and Heckerling (1995), writing was the most common method of communication with Deaf patients (34% of encounters), however only 32% of participants believed it was effective (Dickson, 2014); and

WHEREAS, Steinberg et al. (2006) conducted focus groups resulting in Deaf adults expressing fear of the consequences in miscommunication with healthcare providers, such as nurses and physicians (Dickson, 2014); and

WHEREAS, providing solely printed material about a Deaf patients' diagnosis may have negative implications in obtaining informed consent; the published information may not be at an appropriate reading level for the patient to comprehend (Dickson, 2014); therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Florida Nursing Students Association, and all chapters associated be in support of integrating Deaf culture as part of cultural diversity in nursing curricula, whether it be standard or continuing education; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the included recommended guidelines of the nursing care of a Deaf person be printed in Hotline at least once a year, if feasible; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the included recommended guidelines of the nursing care of a Deaf person be printed in each chapter's newsletter at least once a year, if feasible; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Florida Nursing Students Association invite a Deaf nurse to speak further about Deaf culture for the 2017-2018 Florida Nursing Students Association convention.; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Florida Nursing Students Association send a copy of this resolution to the Florida Nurses' Association, the Florida League for Nursing, and any others deemed appropriate by the Florida Nursing Students Association Board of Directors.

2017 Awards...

What award will your school be taking home this year!?

As you may recall from the Awards Ceremony during last year's convention, the race was tight and stakes were high. Bragging rights are an award all on their own, but who doesn't like to display a shiny trophy for the entire school to recognize the distinction of the our student nurses?

Here is a list of Awards we will be presenting during this year's convention:

- Image of Nursing Award
- Banner contest Award
- Consultant awards
- Communications Awards:
 - Best school media page Award
 - Best newsletter Award
- Membership Awards
- Dean or Director Award
- Consultant of the year Award
- Advocate award
- Breakthrough to Nursing Awards
- Legislative Activity Award
- Community Health involvement Awards
- Pennies PRN Scholarship Name Award

And the coveted **DIAMOND CHAPTER AWARD!!!**

Will your school be recognized within its Region?

Let the competition begin!!!

ATTENTION

FNSA welcomes all members to attend the FNSA Board meetings. Our next meeting will be on Saturday, March 25th at 11:00am promptly. We hold the meetings at FNA headquarters:

1235 East Concord Street
Orlando FL, 32803

If there is any input you would like to suggest for the next Hotline, please do not hesitate to contact your region director, or email me directly, with the subject title: Hotline, at:

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Image of Nursing Chairperson

