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## Association for Radiologic & Imaging Nursing (ARIN) Historical Report 2015 - 2016

### *The New ARIN: Visible, Vital, and Virtual*

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

ARIN has experienced tremendous growth this year! The current membership, as of March 29, 2016, is 1,782 active members, 44 associate members, 30 lifetime members, and 36 international members. International members, per the revised bylaws, are voting members. Membership cards continue to be available, electronically.

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#### **ARIN BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The installation of the 2015-2016 ARIN Board of Directors occurred at the annual membership meeting on March 3, 2015, in Atlanta, Georgia as noted:

President:	Mary F. Sousa, BSN, RN
President Elect:	Evelyn P. Wempe, MBA, MSN, ARNP, ACNP-BC, AOCNP
Immediate Past President:	Greg Laukhuf, RN ND, CRN, RN-BC, NE-BC
Secretary:	Kristy L. Reese, BSN, RN
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Director of Leadership:	Piera Robson MSN, CNS, NP, AOCNS, ANP-BC, OCN

During the 2015-2016 term, the ARIN Board continued to support its strategic plan and mission of providing radiology nurses with knowledge and resources to deliver safe, quality patient care in the imaging environment with an emphasis on being Visible, Vital, and Virtual. The NEW ARIN is committed to enhancing organizational value by providing educational and networking opportunities and an evidence-based body of knowledge. In addition, ARIN has surveyed its membership in an effort to gain valuable information related to nursing demographics, staffing, and ischemic stroke.

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#### **ARIN PRESIDENT**

During her term as President, Mary Sousa supported her platform of being Visible, Vital, and Virtual by promoting radiology nursing as a specialty and being a voice for the profession of nursing. Her tireless efforts supported a virtual platform for ARIN as well as promotion and growth for ARIN chapters around the country and internationally. Mary was integral in encouraging ARIN members to be advocates for their patients and their profession. In addition, her dedication to ARIN inspired the board to excellence and high performance and demonstrates her commitment to providing value for ARIN membership. Mary increased the visibility of ARIN by visiting several hospitals during 2015. Inova, located in Virginia, and Northwestern Memorial, located in Chicago, benefited from a site visit and received an electronic poster commemorating the event. In addition, Mary had the opportunity to meet with ARIN strategic partner, Mavig, during the Science Consortium in November in conjunction with RSNA. Finally, Mary met with NSNA to be visible and show the vital role of radiology and imaging nursing as an important specialty and career option for nurses. During the 2016 ARIN Membership Meeting, Mary will present the President's Award to Sharon Lehman, retiring VISION editor, for her exceptional service to ARIN.

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## **ARIN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Bruce Boulter assumed the position of Executive Director in December, 2014. Since that time, he has worked diligently, with all members of the Board of Directors to focus on the ARIN Strategic Plan in the areas of IRC and Strategic Partnerships, specifically. With his assistance, educational opportunities have been enhanced through a marked increase in webinars and IRCs offered to ARIN members. This includes the first international review course. New partnerships have been established with CareFusion, Medtronic (formerly Covidien), Interventional Oncology 360, Mavig, Skyline, Chamberlain University, and Walden University. In addition, numerous brochures have been developed or updated to market ARIN's products and services to its members and to potential partners.

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## **ARIN NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL MEETINGS**

2015 ARIN Annual Convention: March 1-4, 2015, in Atlanta, Georgia

The Annual Convention was a highlight of the year for ARIN. The Board presented the Joanna Po Lecture for the third, consecutive year, and ARIN teamed up with the Association of Vascular and Interventional Radiographers (AVIR) for a joint education day and soiree at the beginning of the conference. This has become an annual opportunity for interaction and collaboration in the radiology environment. Once again, items were donated by the membership and chapters for a Silent Auction. The funds generated sponsored scholarships presented annually by ARIN.

Looking ahead for 2016, ARIN is pleased to announce both a joint session and poster display with the Society of Interventional Radiologists (SIR) during the Annual Convention in Vancouver, BC. In addition, a new Lunch and Learn format will be held during the Joint Day with AVIR. Participants will be exposed to presentations by three different vendors during lunch. This year's annual conference can be attended live, through live-streaming, and will be presented in the podcast format that was debuted last year.

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## **ARIN IMAGING NURSE REVIEW COURSE**

The ARIN Imaging Nurse Review Course was conducted at the 2015 Annual Convention on February 27-28 in Atlanta, GA. Master Faculty includes: Kathy Scheffer, RN, MN, CRN, SCRNP; Ellen Arslan, RNC, CRN, VA-BC; Kristina Hoerl, MSN, RN, CRN; and Pauline Lentowski, MSN, RN, ACNS-BC, CRN, RN.

While offered at the Annual Convention for the convenience of ARIN members, this course can be hosted by a chapter or hospital. For more information, contact ARIN at [info@arinursing.org](mailto:info@arinursing.org).

In 2015-2016, the ARIN Imaging Nurse Review Course was offered at the following venues:

- Longmont United Hospital - Longmont, Colorado – April 3-4, 2015
- Northwest Chapter ARIN – Tacoma, Washington – May 9-10, 2015
- Southwest Healthcare – Murrieta, California – June 20-21, 2015
- Kaiser Sunset - Los Angeles, California – August 29-30, 2015
- Morristown Medical Center/Atlantic Health System – Morristown, New Jersey – September 12-13, 2015
- Abbott Northwestern Hospital – Minneapolis, Minnesota – September 19-20, 2015
- San Francisco General (Golden Gate Chapter) – San Francisco, California – September 19-20, 2015
- Vanderbilt – Nashville, Tennessee – October 17-18, 2015
- Carolinas Chapter ARIN – Durham, North Carolina – November 7-8, 2015
- University of Virginia – Charlottesville, Virginia – March 12-13, 2016

ARIN premiered a hybrid Imaging Nurse Review Course on April 3, 2015. This hybrid model combined features from the original ARIN sponsored course combined with features of the hosted course. The requesting facility nurse planner and ARIN work together to combine resources in order to present a thorough review. ARIN assumes costs upfront and the requesting group offers a location and local resources. The convenience of having the IRC come directly to their facility, while not investing funds, is a popular concept.

In addition, ARIN offered 15 self-paced, online podcasts that can be purchased and accessed through the ARIN website. Podcasts can be purchased as a package or purchased individually; they are an excellent way to earn CEs for maintaining certification and remaining current on topics relevant to radiology and radiology nursing.

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## ARIN MEMBER RECOGNITION

### 2015/2016 ARIN Awards and Scholarships:

- Radiology Nurse of the Year Award: Valerie Arne-Grossman
- Godwin Scholarship: Not Awarded – Award criteria not met during application process
- Dorothy Budnek Scholarship: No Applicants
- Helen Malenock Award: Kimberly DuBore
- CRN Exam Scholarship: Not Awarded – Award criteria not met during application process
- Poster Award: To be announced at 2016 Annual Membership Meeting
- Chapter of the Year: Long Island Chapter
- Linda Strangio Editor’s Award: To be announced at 2016 Annual Membership Meeting

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## ARIN PUBLICATIONS

### ***Core Curriculum for Radiologic and Imaging Nursing, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition***

Kathleen Gross, BS, MSN, RN-BC, CRN, is the *Core* editor for the expanded third edition which includes information on cultural competency, forensic radiology nursing, hybrid procedures, infection prevention, radiology disaster preparedness, radial artery access, patient safety, and trauma patients in imaging. There is a section devoted to medications commonly used in radiology/imaging and chapters dedicated to imaging and interventions of breast and musculoskeletal diseases. The *Core* can be purchased in hardcopy or as an e-book. This is considered a “must have resource” when preparing for the CRN® exam. The authors of the *Core Curriculum* include nurses, radiologists, technologists, a physicist, a pharmacist, and an attorney from both academic and community medical facilities. The *Core* is being used by nurses around the world and continues to be an excellent resource for all healthcare professionals. This publication is available for purchase through the ARIN website.

### ***Journal of Radiology Nursing***

Kathleen Gross is the editor of the *Journal of Radiology Nursing (JRN)* and continues to produce an outstanding publication for radiologic and imaging nurses. *JRN* debuted a new column in March, 2016, entitled Under the Beam with feature columnist, Anna Echenique, MD, Associate Professor, University of Miami. ClinicalKey is Elsevier’s new clinical search engine as of December 31, 2015, and EVIS will be utilized as Elsevier’s Editorial System as of March, 2016. *JRN* is pleased to welcome Caroline McDaniel, RN, BSN, MSN, as of January 1, 2016. *JRN* thanks D. Georgia Anne Sands, MSN, ARNP, ACNPC, who completed her service on December 31, 2015. Finally, during 2015, *JRN* offered free directed readings as an educational benefit for ARIN members. These can be accessed via the ARIN website. Members are encouraged to visit *the Journal’s* homepage, [www.radiologynursing.org](http://www.radiologynursing.org) or to Google “*Journal of Radiology Nursing*” on your smart phone or tablet.

### ***Orientation Manual for Radiologic and Imaging Nursing, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition***

This manual offers a formal introduction into radiology and radiologic and imaging nursing. This resource assists the nurse with mastering the terminology, knowledge, and skills required to provide competent patient care and

become an integral team member in a fast-paced and innovative practice environment. This publication is available for purchase through the ARIN website.

### ***Radiology Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice (2013)***

This is a joint publication of ANA and ARIN available for purchase at the conference as well as on the ARIN website. This document outlines the definitions, competencies, roles and responsibilities of the Radiologic and Imaging Nurse as well as the Advanced Practice Nurse.

### ***Vision Newsletter***

*Vision* is published six times a year and is available through the ARIN website. The newsletter is utilized by ARIN to relay important information related to governmental affairs, research dissemination, meetings, chapter news, and association initiatives. Names of new members as well as a listing of new and renewing CRN imaging nurses appear in each edition. Columns entitled, I Am a Radiology Nurse and Nursing in Radiology appear, regularly. VISION provides a voice for ARIN and its membership.

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## **ARIN BYLAWS AND ARIN POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

The ARIN Board continues to review and revise ARIN policy; this document is available for membership to view. The Board of Directors continues to work to streamline and improve the policies and procedures and welcomes membership feedback. Throughout the 2015-2016 year an ARIN Investment policy was established. In addition, the Reimbursement and Communication policies were revised. ARIN Bylaws and ARIN Policies and Procedures can be viewed online at [www.arinursing.org](http://www.arinursing.org).

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## **ARIN CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES & POSITION STATEMENTS**

The ARIN Board of Directors approved the following Position Statement in January, 2016:

- Position Statement: Capnography

The following ARIN Clinical Practice Guidelines & Position Statement can be accessed on-line at [www.arinursing.org](http://www.arinursing.org):

- Position Statement: Nursing Leadership and Performance Evaluation
- Position Statement: Nursing Leadership and Performance Evaluation
- Position Statement: Patient Safety in the Imaging Setting
- Position Statement: Bariatric Patient Safety in the Imaging Environment
- Position Statement: Role of the Imaging Nurse in Patients Undergoing Sedated Procedures
- Clinical Practice Guideline: Handoff Communication Concerning Patients Undergoing a Radiologic Procedure
- Clinical Practice Guideline: Handoff Communication Concerning Patients Undergoing a Radiological Procedure with General Anesthesia (in cooperation with ASPAN)
- Clinical Practice Guideline: Personnel Dealing with Chemotherapy and Cytotoxic Medications
- Clinical Practice Guideline: Contrast Medium Administration to Pregnant or Potentially Pregnant Patients
- Clinical Practice Guideline: Contrast Medium Administration to Breast Feeding Mothers
- Clinical Practice Guideline: Universal Protocol for Procedures in Radiology
- Clinical Practice Guideline: Moderate Sedation and Analgesia
- Clinical Practice Guideline: Extravasation of Contrast Media
- Clinical Practice Guideline: Metformin Therapy and Lactic Acidosis Risk
- Clinical Practice Guideline: Contrast Associated Nephrotoxicity
- Clinical Practice Guideline: Gastrointestinal Contrast Media

Recently, this committee has been renamed as the Clinical Practice/Research Committee; it will be dedicated to research and disseminating evidence-based clinical practice for radiologic and imaging nurses. All ARIN clinical practice guidelines and position statements are available in the practice guidelines section of [www.arinursing.org](http://www.arinursing.org).

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## RADIOLOGY NURSES DAY

**April 12<sup>th</sup>** is the official Radiology Nurse's Day. This is a day to recognize those working in the specialty practice of radiologic and imaging nursing who advance the standard of care in the imaging environment. Once again, a poster will be available, free to membership, for download, print, and display. The link for the poster can be found, online, at [www.arinursing.org](http://www.arinursing.org).

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## ARIN FORUMS

Over the past year, the ARIN Listserv has transitioned to ARIN FORUMs as a way to interact, collaborate, and share best practice with other nursing professionals. Your ARIN member user name and password grants you immediate access to the FORUM page! To get started, look for the green balloon icon (bottom right corner of the ARIN Logo) at the top of the website's home page. FORUM topics include Assessment & Screening, Equipment & Supplies, Medications & Contrast, Policies & Procedures, Staffing & Training, and Procedures & Scans. For more information, refer to the website or contact [info@arinursing.org](mailto:info@arinursing.org).

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## ARIN CHAPTERS

Our chapters continue to make significant contributions to radiologic and imaging nursing by hosting educational events, webinars, and networking opportunities. Chapters are encouraged to contribute to the *Vision* newsletter to highlight their activities and accomplishments. An asterisk by the chapter name denotes those with an active website and electronic link to the ARIN website. Local chapters include:

- **Blue Ridge** (Virginia)
- **Carolinas\*** (North Carolina)
- **Empire State** (New York)
- **Golden Gate\*** (California)
- **Grand Canyon State\*** (Arizona)
- **Great Lakes\*** (Indiana, Illinois, Michigan & Wisconsin)
- **Greater Tampa Bay** (Florida)
- **Long Island\***
- **Maine**
- **New England\*** (Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island & Vermont)
- **North Texas Lone Star**
- **Northwest\*** (Washington, Idaho & Oregon)
- **Ohio Radiological**
- **Southern California**

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## ARIN COMMITTEES

- **Chapters Committee:** The Chapters Committee worked to strengthen the materials and assistance available for ARIN members to develop local chapters. Over the past year, ARIN has provided chapters with a unique opportunity for individual website development including a link to the ARIN website; currently, seven chapters have taken advantage of this benefit. In addition, Town Hall Meetings have been presented to chapters to provide leadership education and training, build strong relationships, and advance local and national initiatives. Topics centered on the legal and financial responsibilities and organizational roles of non-profit boards.
- **Clinical Practice/Research Committee:** The Clinical Practice Guidelines committee has been renamed as the Clinical Practice/Research Committee. This committee will focus on the development and promotion of a robust practice and research arm of ARIN through maintenance and standardization of

current policies and practice guidelines and dissemination of evidence-based practice through ARIN resources.

**Leadership Development Committee:** The Leadership Development Committee focuses its efforts on finalizing the ballot, determining recipients for awards and scholarships as well as fostering new leaders within the ARIN membership. For those with a personal goal of assuming an ARIN leadership role, Piera Robson, Director of Leadership, will mentor and assist members with this endeavor. The Leadership Development Committee solicited members to run for President-Elect, Treasurer, Director of Education, Director of Leadership, and the Leadership Development Committee. Voting was electronically. The new officers will be installed at the 2016 Membership Meeting and include:

1. President-Elect - Katherine Duncan, BA, RN, CRN
2. Treasurer - Christine Keough, BSN, RN, CRN
3. Director of Education - DéAnn O. McNamara, MS, ACNP-BC, CRN
4. Director of Leadership - Piera Robson, MSN, CNS, NP, AOCNS, ANP-BC, OCN, CRN
5. Leadership Development Committee - Nicole Pace, MSN, RN
6. Leadership Development Committee - Kathy Pittman, BSN, RN, CRN

- **Program Planning Committee:** This committee has worked diligently to make this conference exciting and engaging. The most time-intensive ARIN committee, the members are appointed to a two-year term. The committee meets for monthly conference calls and has successfully developed the 2016 Annual Convention in Vancouver, BC. This committee is particularly proud to be offering a joint educational day with AVIR as well as a joint session and poster presentation with SIR. ARIN continues with its commitment to “being green” offering handouts as well as this report, membership minutes, and the convention booklet, online. Please access these resources through the ARIN website at [arinursing.org](http://arinursing.org).
- **Public Policy Committee:** In order to stay current with the nursing community, ARIN developed the Public Policy Committee. Members attend monthly telephone meetings, review issues and letters regarding the issues, and advocate for issues that support nursing and healthcare. Health care reform, federal funding, and federal legislation are among the issues addressed.
- **Social Media Committee:** This committee’s goal is to support the growth and development of ARIN in the Social Media arena, enhance ARIN’s visibility globally, and market ARIN as the “go to” organization for radiology nursing. During 2015, this committee has brought visibility to ARIN by including icons on the website’s homepage for easier interaction through social media. In addition, the ARIN Facebook page has been revitalized as an important outlet for interaction. Upcoming for 2016, ARIN will utilize Twitter for updates and information during this year’s convention in Vancouver.
- **Sponsorship Committee Report:** This committee has a goal of developing relationships with companies that can assist ARIN with sponsorship of educational opportunities including conferences and webinars. ARIN has developed strong relationships with CareFusion, Interventional Oncology 360, Mavig, MedKidz, Medtronic (formerly Covidien), Nursing Services Organization, and Skyline. Additionally, Chamberlain University and Walden University offer members unique discounts for continued education. Links to many of these ARIN partners can be found at [www.arinursing.org](http://www.arinursing.org).
- **Webinar Committee:** The Webinar Committee is responsible for providing radiology nursing educational opportunities online. They continue to plan and develop topics for quality webinars which are provided at a discount to ARIN members. Cathy Brown is chair of this committee as of April, 2015. During 2015, ARIN was pleased to offer the following webinars to ARIN members, free of charge:
  1. CODE Interventional
  2. Y-90/TARE Treatment: What Nurses Need to Know
  3. Preventing Central-Line Associated Blood Stream Infections in the Radiology Department
  4. Malignant Ascites Management Economics
  5. Current Knowledge and Nursing Considerations after Peritoneovenous Shunt Placement
  6. IVC Filters and the IVC Filter Clinic
  7. Affecting Health Care Changes: The NIWI Experience
  8. Palliative Imperative for Pleural Effusions and Ascites: The Why and How of Effective Management

9. Patient Safety During Sedation and Analgesia Monitoring
  10. Interventional Oncology: Treatment Approaches for Ablative Therapies
  11. An Overview: Paracentesis and Thoracentesis
- **Website Committee:** President-Elect, Evelyn Wempe, diligently led this committee with a focus on updating and maintaining the ARIN website with current information and educational opportunities for its membership. Website enhancements are in support of ARIN's commitment to being Visible, Vital, and Virtual. Social media, FORUMs, Terms of Use, Privacy Policy, Strategic Partnership, and Chapter website links have been added to the ARIN website to improve interaction, education, and safety for members. Go to [www.arinursing.org](http://www.arinursing.org) for the latest resources and news for this nursing specialty.

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## ARIN TASK FORCES

- **Staffing Matrix Task Force:** This task force was led by Greg Laukhuf, Immediate Past-President. The goal of the task force was development of a matrix to insure adequate staffing in the Interventional Radiology environment. Refer to the ARIN website for further updates regarding this initiative.
- **Capnography Task Force:** This task force was led by Karen Green. The goal of this task force was to research and develop an ARIN position statement on Capnography. Please refer to the final, board approved position statement at [www.arinursing.org](http://www.arinursing.org). The complete article can be found in the Journal of Radiology Nursing.
- **New Graduate Radiology Nurse Orientation Task Force:** This task force formed to develop an Orientation Manual for New Graduate Nurses orienting in radiology. Refer to the ARIN website for further updates regarding this initiative.
- **Pediatric Task Force.** This task force is led by Sylvia Miller. The goal of the task force was to develop a Pediatric Radiology Review Course for nurses working in Radiology. Ultimately, a two-part learning module will be available through the ARIN website. For additional updates on this initiative, refer to [www.arinursing.org](http://www.arinursing.org).

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## Radiological Nurses Certification Board (RNCB)

Over this past year, RNCB added 125 new nurses working in the radiology and imaging environment to the ranks of the Certified Radiology Nurses (CRN®); and 175 nurses renewed their CRN®. The total CRN®'s is at 1,101 and growing! The RNCB was granted national accreditation of the Certified Radiology Nurse (CRN) exam by the Accreditation Board for Specialty Nursing Certification, Incorporated in July of 2013. The CRN exam is administered three times a year in April, May, and October. Nurses that receive CRN certification are proudly listed in *Vision*, and Certified Registered Nurses Day is celebrated on March 19<sup>th</sup> each year. For more information on the CRN exam or RNCB, please visit their website at <http://certifiedradiologynurse.org>.

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## ARIN'S LIAISON RELATIONSHIPS AND PARTNERSHIPS

- **American Nurses Association (ANA):** ARIN has continued its membership in the American Nurses Association as an Organizational Affiliate (OA). The annual ANA meeting was held on July 23-25, 2015, at the Renaissance Hotel in Washington, DC. Working in partnership, ANA and the member organizations share information and collaborate in finding solutions to common nursing issues. In addition, members inform the ANA regarding trends and concerns related to professional nursing practice. ARIN was represented at this prestigious event by current President, Mary F. Sousa, and Executive Director, Bruce Boulter. As an Organizational Affiliate, the ARIN President is a voting member and represents ARIN affairs at the Membership Assembly. Mary was able to share issues of concern affecting ARIN with members and gain insight into future nursing trends including the Institute of Medicine (IOM) 2020 impact, Affordable Care Act, Nurse-Lead Care Coordination models.

- **Association of Vascular and Interventional Radiographers (AVIR):** The ARIN Program Planning Committee is pleased that this conference offers a collaboration and joint educational day with AVIR. Board members from both organizations work together to enhance this beneficial relationship for their membership.
- **Interventional Oncology 360 (IO360) Website:** This partnership began in 2015 as a way to highlight the role of the nurse in Interventional Oncology procedures performed in the radiology and imaging environment. This website is an online publication for blogs, forums, and news related to the latest advances in the Interventional Oncology specialty of Interventional Radiology.
- **Nursing Alliance Leadership Academy (NALA):** Approximately 27 national nursing organizations were represented at this year's conference in Louisville, Kentucky. The goal was to promote effective leadership by educating newly elected and emerging volunteer leaders regarding roles, responsibilities, governance, and organizational strategies for ANA Alliance member organizations. This year, President, Mary Sousa, President-Elect, Evelyn Wempe, and Secretary, Kristy Reese, attended the NALA meeting in August, 2015. Attendance not only provides an excellent venue for formation of important relationships with other nursing leaders but also increases the visibility of ARIN to other groups.
- **Nursing Organizations Alliance (The Alliance):** This arm of ANA provides a forum for identification, education, and collaboration and builds on issues of common interest to advance the nursing profession. During the weekend of November 19-21, 2015, Mary Sousa, ARIN President, and Evelyn Wempe, ARIN President-Elect, had the opportunity to attend the 14th Annual Fall Summit held by the Nursing Organizations Alliance (NOA) in Palm Springs, California. The purpose of the NOA Fall Summit was to bring nursing organizations together to discuss issues and common interests, foster growth, and advance the profession. Highlights from the 2015 NOA Fall Summit included: Health Care Reform, Diversity and Inclusion, Association Membership Millennials, and Inter-Professional Practice. In addition, ARIN was selected to present at NOA's Wow Session, Associations of Great Impact. The goal of the session was for associations to discuss activities that have had a great impact within the organizations, among its members, and within the nursing profession.
- **Nurse in Washington Internship (NIWI):** NIWI is sponsored by the Nursing Organization Alliance. The Nursing Organization Alliance is a coalition of nursing organizations uniting to create a strong voice for all nurses. Membership is open to nursing organizations whose focus is to address current and emergent nursing and health care issues. President, Mary Sousa, BSN, RN, and Public Policy Committee Member, Joanna Jones Graf, MBA, BSN, CCRN, RN, CRN, represented ARIN for the March, 2015 meeting. The meeting included a two-day training session on advocacy and opportunities to meet with government officials.
- **Synergy: A Multidisciplinary Approach to Interventional Oncology:** This year's conference was held in Miami, Florida on November 5-8, 2015, and focused on the multidisciplinary approach to cancer care through collaboration among the medical and clinical disciplines to offer patients living with cancer the latest therapies and treatments available. ARIN provided three speakers for the 2015 conference; and through this partnership, ARIN members received a significant discount to attend.

Additionally, ARIN has established professional, organizational relationships with the American College of Radiology Nurses, the American Society of Peri-Anesthesia Nurses (ASPAN), and the Association for Vascular Access (AVA), the Association of Perioperative Nurses (AORN), the Infusion Nurses Society (INS), the Oncology Nurses Society, Rad Aid, and the Society of Interventional Radiology.

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## MANAGEMENT SERVICES

ARIN members continue to benefit from the contract between the Board of Directors and Boulter Management Company, LLC (BMC). With an emphasis on customer service, BMC encourages its employees to improve member satisfaction and develop programs that serve both the members and the professions they represent. Boulter Management Company provides a fresh approach to association management by incorporating innovative technologies and services to improve member benefits and reduce expenses. BMC has worked diligently with the ARIN Historical Report, 2015-2016

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The ARIN Board and BMC thanks everyone for their support of the initiatives of the NEW ARIN. Remember - it's never been a better time to be a radiology nurse, and it's never been a better time to be an ARIN member!

Respectfully submitted,

*Kristy L. Reese, BSN, RN*  
ARIN Secretary, 2016

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