



Association for Radiologic & Imaging Nursing (ARIN)

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The ARIN board of directors updated the association's mission statement to "The World's Premier Source for Imaging Nurses" reflecting our vision to **Connect** imaging nurses across the globe, **Advance** radiology and imaging nursing by sharing best practices, robust process improvement and publications, and **Promote** the face of imaging nursing across all disciplines. With the goal to Connect, Advance and Promote imaging nurses, ARIN continued its commitment to maintain organizational value by providing networking and educational opportunities alongside an evidence-based body of knowledge.

ARIN had another successful year in working with its sponsors and partners. In addition to the yearlong partners who have shown great support for ARIN for many years, we were also able to have over 10 sponsors involved in our annual convention in Washington D.C. Our partners have provided additional educational opportunities for our membership in addition to advanced



degrees at reduced cost and job opportunities. We are very excited to have these great benefits available to ARIN members.

ARIN's social media presence was stepped up and began reaching the community on Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, and LinkedIn, and on Instagram at *radimagingrn*. The ARIN APP was unveiled in November of 2017 and will be put to its first big test at the 2018 Annual Convention. This will allow convention goers to see real time updates on speaker sessions with immediate access to room numbers and other events. It is free to download for both iOS and Android.

EDUCATION:

To meet the educational needs of imaging nurses, ARIN offered five live webinars. Five CE of directed readings in the JRN (Journal of Radiology Nursing) were also offered and covered topics such as: pediatric radiation exposure, radiological evidence of child abuse, fistula angioplasty and malignant hypothermia.

The 2017 Annual Convention was held in Washington, DC. The Board presented the Joanna Po Lecture for the fifth, consecutive year. It featured ARIN past president Karen Green MHA, BSN, RN, CRN delivering a lecture titled: "Care, Caring, Caregiver: What Nurses Do Best. 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, which was an excellent opportunity for interaction and collaboration for teams practicing in the radiology environment. Cross disciplinary events bring a wider lens with which to study how the radiology health care team can provide the best possible patient care.

The Imaging Review Course (IRC) was offered 4 times during 2017: the ARIN Annual Convention (Washington DC); the New England Chapter; Cleveland Clinic Florida – Weston; and St. Lukes' Magic Valley – Twin Falls, ID.

LEADERSHIP:

Applications were received from an impressive pool of candidates whose practice emphasizes ARIN's core values of professionalism, advocacy, leadership and responsiveness to technological advances for award consideration. After much deliberation the following awards were bestowed.

Nurse of the Year Award: Kristina Hoerl MSN, RN, CRN

Charlotte Godwin award: Patricia McCarthy BSN, RN



Dorothy Budneck award: Rosemary Harbuck MSN, NP, AGACNP-BC, CCRN

Helen Malenock award: Jane Andrews RN

Committees:

Clinical Practice and Guidelines Committee: After extensive review, the retired a number of documents that do not reflect current needs of radiologic and imaging nurses. These include documents around procedures that are now current practice and health crises that have passed. The committee continues to update the relevant policies and guidelines as well as creating new ones. Staffing guidelines and capnography guidelines will be forthcoming in 2018.

MEMBERSHIP:

ARIN currently has 1903 members of which 46 are international from a variety of countries across the globe.

Chapters continue to make significant contributions to radiologic and imaging nursing by hosting educational events, webinars, networking activities and are encouraged to contribute to the **Vision** newsletter. The ARIN website has a list of chapters as well as links to those with an active website.

Local chapters include:

- Blueridge (Virginia)
- Carolinas (North and South Carolina)
- Empire State (New York)
- Golden Gate (California)
- Great Lakes (Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin)
- Long Island (New York)
- New England (Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont)
- North Texas Lone Star (Texas)
- Northwest (Washington, Idaho and Oregon)
- Ohio Radiological Nurses Association (ORNA)

ARIN is supporting the formation of new chapters across the country and internationally. A mentor program is being developed to help nurses navigate starting their chapters by pairing



them up with mentors from established chapters. Informative meetings are being scheduled with chapter leadership to help provide education and guidance.

Resources

The ARIN Forum continues to flourish on the website. Found on the website under Resources – ARIN forum, it allows nurses to get in touch with like-minded individuals and share knowledge on a variety of questions and topics.

ARIN has a variety of publications available to purchase on the website under Resources – ARIN publications:

- ARIN Core Curriculum – available in print edition and eBook
- CRN Prep: The Practical Study Guide – in spiral bound or eBook
- Orientation Manual for Radiologic and Imaging Nursing – in three ring binder format
- Radiologic and Imaging Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice – print edition
- Gerontological Advanced Practice Curriculum – print edition

Resources – Practice Guidelines and Position Statements:

Position Statements:

- Joint Practice Guideline for Sterile Technique during Vascular and Interventional Radiology Procedures
- Use of Capnography for Patients who Receive Moderate Sedation/Analgesia
- Bariatric patient Safety in the Imaging Environment
- Nursing leadership and Performance Position Statement
- The Registered Nurse in the Imaging Setting

Clinical Practice Guidelines:

- Moderate Sedation and Analgesia
- Guidelines for Personnel Dealing with Chemotherapy/Cytotoxic Medications
- Extravasation of Contrast Media

Respectfully submitted,

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ARIN Secretary 2017-2019