



...And now a word from our President

Happy 2005!

This is not only a new year, but the start of a new state "administration" and a chance to renew our commitment to our professional organization and to rebuild our state council.

I look forward to leading you and our state along with Annette Chard (president-elect), Larry Addison (treasurer), Merry Addison (secretary) and all the present and future committee chairs through a successful, productive and fun year.

You are cordially invited to attend our first council meeting of 2005 on Wednesday February 16th at Maggiano's, 3550 E. 86th Street in Indianapolis, at 12:00 noon. Our sponsor is Patty Till from Ag-grastat and speaking will be Anne Oteham. We'll also hear from Keisha Nikolson re: changes in the Indiana child restraint law. It is my hope that this year each member will bring a member and help our attendance grow!

Also, plan on attending our two annual meet-

ings- the Leadership Challenge in Ft. Lauderdale, March 10-13 and the General/Scientific Assembly in Nashville, TN September 14-17. I encourage you to take advantage of these opportunities to network, make new friends, visit a place you may not have been to before and of course, to learn something new!

I look forward to seeing my old colleagues and meeting new ones on February 16th. Thank you all so much for your efforts and continued support....

Patty

DON'T FORGET !!! MEETINGS FOR 2005

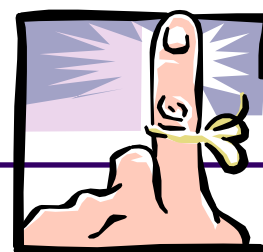
February 16
Maggiano's, 3550 E. 86th
Street, Indianapolis

April 20
Maggiano's, 3550 E. 86th
Street, Indianapolis

June 15
TBA

August 17
TBA

October 19
Hill-Rom Farm, Batesville
December 7



The meetings are on Wednesdays this year and begin at 12:00 noon.

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Upcoming Events

Remember the Annual Nurses' Day at the Children's Museum on April 24th.

Nursing 2000 Scholarship Dinner May 13th, at the Ritz Charles in Indy.

Government Affairs 2005

There are several Indiana state bills of interest to nurses this year.

HB 1413 Increases time from 48-96 hours for a victim to report a sex crime and to qualify for reimbursement for emergency medical services, and for ICJI to process applications within 120 days and to adopt rules regarding appeals for denial of reimbursement. (No longer active)

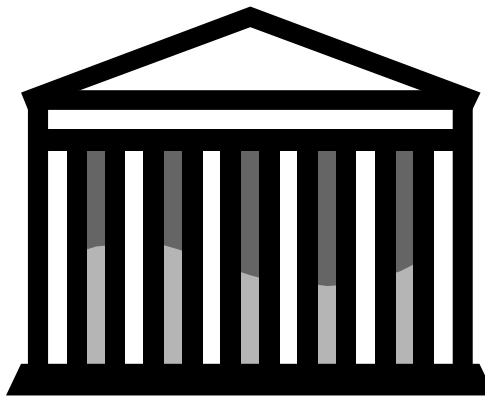
SB 472 Senate version of above bill and also allows for providers to seek reimbursement from the victim's insurance company if a claim has been denied for payment by ICJI.

SB 672 Hospital Staffing levels. Requires a hospital to file an annual staffing plan with the state dept of health. Establishes maximum time periods that a hospital employee can be on duty. Whistleblower protection for hospital employees who report violations.

SB 223 Provides for notation of a person's blood type on their Indiana driver's license.

SB 325 Requires health care facilities to administer dT with flu and pneumonia vaccines upon admission.

SB 347 Do not resuscitate. Requires hospitals and health facilities to inscribe a "do not resuscitate" symbol on a patient's wristband after a physician has signed an order that the patient is not to be resuscitated. Establishes penalties for failure to inscribe a symbol on a patient's wristband



HB 1119 Immunity for health care providers from civil liability for certain health care providers providing health care services without compensation at certain entities.

HB 1416 Adds 2 RNs to the Board of Nursing, one a registered nurse anesthetist, and one a graduate of an accredited nursing diploma program. Increases the number of Board members from 5 to 7.

HB 1452 Requires CPR training for a teacher to obtain a license as a teacher, and establishes immunity from liability for an act or omission by a teacher who has obtained a license and has

been trained in CPR.

HB 1691 Changes the offense of sexual misconduct with a minor to 1) cover victims who are at least 14 years of age but <18 years (current law applies to victims at least 14 years but < 16 years of age); and 2) removes the minimum age requirement for alleged offenders (current law applies only to alleged offenders who are at least 18 years old).

HB 1725 Replaces the current living will declaration form with a new living will declaration form.

HB 1249 Establishes a Paramedic licensing board, and makes it a Class B misdemeanor to practice as a paramedic without a license.

HB 1334 Provides that schooling in the medical corps of any of the armed forces of the U.S. May be used to satisfy the educational requirements of the nursing board for licensure as a LPN. (ISNA is opposed to this).

HB 1809 Establishes a health profession's investigative division.

HB 1716 Disclosing health care costs by hospitals and ambulatory out pt surgery centers.

Annette's Pearls Isoniazid (INH) Toxicity

INH is one of the most commonly used antituberculosis drugs for both children and adults. Because of the resurgence of tuberculosis, acute INH neurotoxicity is also on the rise. Both Fort Wayne and Indianapolis are listed by the CDC as two of the cities with rapidly growing TB populations. Indiana is not hiding in the shadows on this topic.

Some of the adverse effects of INH are: seizures, acidosis, stupor, coma and death. Minor, yet life impacting symptoms include: peripheral neuropathy and optic neuritis.

INH combines with pyridoxal-5-phosphate, is excreted by the kidneys and causes increased CNS excitability and lowers the seizure threshold. The half-life of INH is 80-180 minutes and it is very rapidly absorbed through the GI tract. Serum levels >10 mcg/ml are considered toxic.

Most adults are on a daily dose of 300-

600mg or 900mg two or three times per week. Pediatric doses are 10-15mg/kg/day or 20-40mg two or three times per week. Toxicity occurs at as little as 35-40mg/kg. So, if a curious 19 month old weighing 22 pounds ingested just one to two adult doses this could be toxic.

Toxic exposures are both accidental and intentional. Many adolescent case studies show that extra doses are taken to cover up those that were missed.

Pyroxidine (B6) is the treatment of choice for INH overdose, because of the mechanism of excretion of INH/B6. It is the only drug that will stop the neurologic symptoms. Valium, Ativan and phenobarbital may reduce or temporarily stop the seizures, but the patient (especially children) may remain CNS depressed until B6 is given.

B6 should be given gram for gram equal to the amount of INH taken. If an unknown quantity was ingested, most

research indicates starting with 5 grams and repeat in 5-20 minutes until the seizures stop. If giving for other CNS symptoms, the dose may be given at 70mg/kg. Research also indicates that acidosis is not reversed until after the B6 is given. If unable to give a full dose of B6, lesser doses should be supplemented with Valium, Ativan or phenobarbital. Give phenytoins with caution as high INH levels can cause phenytoin toxicity.

We must educate patients/families of these dangers. Children who present to our EDs' with seizures and no previous history or related signs and symptoms are red flags. Determine well ahead of time where we will get enough B6 to adequately treat INH toxicity; many of our hospital pharmacies do not keep enough on hand at any one given time.

There is much more information out there on this topic, but I hope these few 'pearls' will get you started! (The Princess)

The Quarterly Report

Did you know we now have 489 ENA members in Indiana as of the fourth quarter of last year. Let's welcome our new members!!

Clifton Blake	Hope
Darla Eaton	Washington
Angela Jones	Evansville
Matthew McCracken	Evansville
Phyllis Benard	Highland
Michelle Hein	Valparaiso
Jamie Hosfeld-Sheck	Valparaiso
Dipika Kasyap	Michigan City
Sarah Knapp	Portage
Donna Koleski	Griffith
Nicole Kroll	Highland
Claribel Lopez	Hammond
Mary Ann Payton	Chesterton
Joyce Amacker	Fort Wayne

Rhonda Anderson	Fort Wayne
Chris Bates	Fort Wayne
Tricia Blum	Hamilton
Tina Bowen	Avilla
Lisa Burke	Fort Wayne
Susan Decker	Waterloo
Rachel Fogel	Fort Wayne
Lynda Hooley	Syracuse
Phyllis Lamp	Leesburg
Melissa McFarland	Terre Haute
Jason Clay	Syracuse
Dale Benton	Crown Point
Andrea Delph	Atlanta
Louann Gosser	New Castle
Judith Hall	Middleton
Mark King	Greenwood
Fern Kirkendall	Connersville
Jamie Maikranz	Fort Branch

Jayne McCarty	Culver
Darrin McLary	Indianapolis
Cynthia Meyer	Batesville
Linda Murphy	Zionsville
Amanda Parker	Indianapolis
Shannon Parkes	Mitchell
Kimberly Poole	South Bend



Welcome on Board !!!

Application Process for 2005 Indiana ENA General Assembly Delegates to National ENA in Nashville, TN Sept 14 & 15

Delegate Qualifications:

- Delegates must have a current active membership in ENA.
- Qualified candidates should attend 50% of their local chapter meetings since the previous General Assembly.
- Candidates should have served in an elected or appointed position of the local, state, or national level during the past three years.
- Participation in at least one of the following activities related to Emergency Nursing since the previous General Assembly:
 - A. Lecturer (other than that which is required to perform nursing role)
 - B. Projects (public education, legislative involvement, chapter projects)
 - C. Research in Emergency Nursing
 - D. Publication on topic(s) related to emergency care.
 - E. CEN certification
- Qualified candidates should have a letter from their chapter president attesting to the qualifications.

Delegate Responsibilities:

All delegates should attend all business sessions and special delegate activities at the General Assembly. Delegates are representatives of their constituents at the business meetings of the association and should seek information on all issues under discussion and act in the best interest of their constituents. Delegates are to report back to their constituents all activities and actions taken regarding voting and discussion by the delegates.

Delegate Selection for the General Assembly in Indiana

Delegate selection in Indiana is done by a lottery method. Every effort is made to choose one delegate per chapter in Indiana. Delegates whose names are submitted and meet the qualifications are entered into a lottery by chapter. One delegate from each chapter is chosen. The names of all candidates who are not chosen are in the second drawing for the remaining delegates. Indiana usually has ten delegates inclusive of all state officers. The number of delegates is based on the number of ENA members in Indiana at the June/July listing.

Applications must be received by May 15, 2005.

Send completed applications to

Ruth Slabach
10550 Wilson Rd.
Brownsburg, IN 46112.

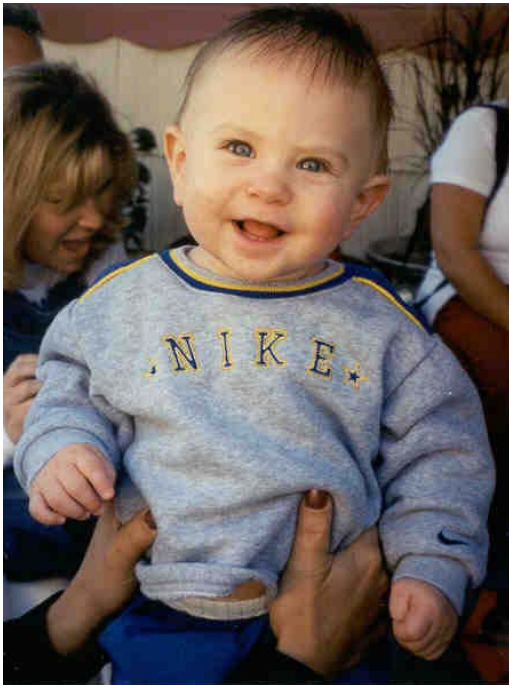
2005 TNCC Courses

Date	Location	Type	Course Director	Contact
March 6326 3&4	Indpls Rural Metro @ I65 & S. Keystone Ave.	Initial Provider	Indy Roadrunners Tracie Pettit	317-679-
March 3&4	Linton	Initial Provider	Green Co. Hospital - Merry Addison	765-665-3667
April 11 574- 237-7323	S. Bend Central Fire Station	Provider Recert.	Lori Cox	
April 15 812-353-9925	Bloomington	Provider Recert.	Bloomington Hospital - Kirstin Rone	
Debbie Terpenning				
April 2531 13&14	Indpls.	Initial Provider	Indy Roadrunners - Wendy St. John	317-630-
May 3&4	Evansville	Initial Provider	Deaconess Hospital - Martha Lang	812-568-2687
May 6&9 7323	S. Bend Central Fire Station	Initial Provider	Lori Cox	574- 237-
June 9&10 5729	Indpls.	Initial Provider	Indy Roadrunners - Terrie Will	317-355- or
317-788-0468				
July15	Indpls. 317-272-7500	Provider Recert.	Indy Roadrunners - Marijane Smallwood	
Aug. 4&5 9925	Bloomington	Initial Provider	Bloomington Hospital - Kirstin Rone	812-353-
Debbie Terpenning				
Aug 13&14	Evansville	Initial	St. Mary's Medical Center	812-568-

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March 11&12	Evansville	Initial Provider	St. Mary's Medical Center	812-568-2687
May 12&13	Indpls Rural Metro @ I65 & S. Keystone Ave.	Initial Provider	Indy Roadrunners Tracie Pettit	317-679-6326
May 20&23	S. Bend	Initial Provider	St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center - Lori Cox	574- 237-7323
June 23&24	Evansville	Initial Provider	St. Mary's Medical Center - Martha Lang	812-568-2687
Aug 11&12	Indpls.	Initial Provider	Indy Roadrunners - Terrie Will	317-355-5729 or 317-788-0468
Sept. 24&25	Evansville	Initial Provider	St. Mary's Medical Center - Martha Lang	812-568-2687

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13&14 Indpls.



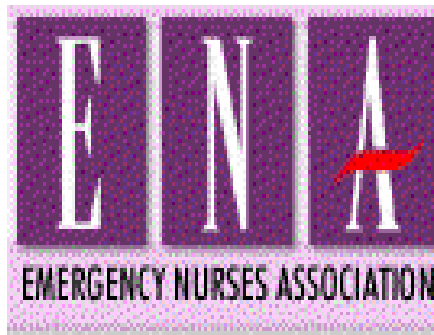
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Indy Roadrunners



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