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President's Message—Marilyn Sprague

2008 is here!

Michigan ENA had an awesome year in 2007! I am hoping that it will be even greater this coming year.

Here are just a few of the amazing things that happened to our state:

Our state membership is up to 967 members as of January 11, 2008. I think that we can easily make 1000 by midyear and probably easily pass this.

Michigan ENA gained 2 new chapters- Western Upper Peninsula and Central Michigan Chapters.

Another successful Annual Spring Conference last May, in Mt Pleasant. A record attendance at the conference- 375 emergency nurses from around the state.

Huge membership drive:

With our member-get-a-member registrations for the spring conference- we gained 108 new members in just 2 months.

First CEN Review

Course sponsored by the state council this past fall in Troy. We also gained another 22 new members at that course.

Michigan had the opportunity to sponsor

19 delegates to General Assembly in Salt Lake City, UT in September.

TNCC Rollout for all TNCC Instructors is almost completed.

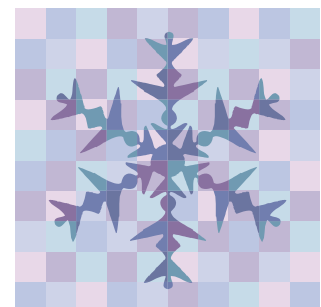
Assisted with grants from National ENA and Michigan ENA, these courses were offered to all instructors.

I could probably go on and on about what great accomplishments Michigan ENA had this past year- but I would like to

say thanks to all who assisted with all of this last year. I would like to focus more on this coming year – to make it even more spectacular for the state council and especially to you – the member. Further in this newsletter- you will notice some of the opportunities listed for all Michigan ENA members, such as: upcoming Spring Conference, another membership drive, fund raisers, information about delegate selection for General Assembly, and many others.

Thank you again for making Michigan ENA one of the greatest!!!!

*Marilyn Sprague
2008 Michigan ENA
President*



TNCC 6th Edition Update Courses Completed!

Congratulations to all the TNCC Instructors who attended the 6th Edition Updates!

attended (76%). 106 Instructors successfully completed the course (93%).

Gerri Muller, and Barb Smith.

Nine 6th Edition TNCC Update classes were held around the state from November 11, 2007 to February 2, 2008. 113 Instructors out of 148 eligible instructors

Thanks also to the dedicated State Faculty who presented these courses: Marilyn Enriquez, Deb Gilmore, Jean Kahl, Pat Manion, Joanne McCall,



Posters Needed for Conference

We would like to salute those Michigan Nurses doing Emergency Research Projects in the state by displaying the results of their research. During the Michigan ENA Annual Conference in Mt. Pleasant on May 7, 2007 tables will be set up and we will be displaying five research projects. Posters will need to be “table top displays” of current research relating to issues that effect emergency nursing. Please contact Holly Bair, at habair@beaumont.edu or 248.898.1994 if you or someone you know is interested in presenting a research poster at this years conference.

National ENA Conferences



2008 - MINNEAPOLIS, MN
Minneapolis Convention Center
General Assembly September 25-26
Scientific Assembly September 27-29

2009 - BALTIMORE, MARYLAND
Baltimore Convention Center
General Assembly October 7-8
Scientific Assembly October 8-10

2010 - PORTLAND, OREGON
Oregon Convention Center
General Assembly September 22-23
Scientific Assembly September 23-25

Emergency Medical Service Providers' Experience with Family Presence During Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation: Urban Versus Suburban Setting

Presented at 2007 ENA Scientific Assembly Conference by Mark Goldstein, RN, BSN, EMT

Purpose: To describe emergency medical service providers' experiences with family member presence during resuscitation, and to determine whether those experiences are similar between urban and suburban settings.

Design: A descriptive study design was used.

Setting: EMS providers transporting patients to one or two large, Midwestern teaching Level I trauma centers in an urban and suburban EMS system.

Sample: Convenience sample of 128 EMS providers (59 urban and 69 suburban) from June 2004 - July 2004.

Methodology: A survey of a convenience sample of urban and suburban EMS providers transporting patients to one or two large, Midwestern teaching Level I trauma centers was conducted to ascertain experiences with, and perceptions, of pre-hospital family presence during cardiopulmonary resuscitation. Providers were queried regarding their demographic information, perceptions of resuscitating patients in the presence of family members, and their attitudes toward this practice. The survey tool had 21 dichotomous questions, which were either yes/no or used a 5-point Likert scale. Comparisons between urban and suburban providers were conducted using Wilcoxon rank sum tests and chi-square tests where appropriate. No priori sample size or power analysis was conducted.

Results: The sample consisted of 59 urban and 69 suburban EMS providers, of which 70.1% were EMT-paramedics. Subjects averaged 12.3 years of experience. Nearly all (122) had performed CPR in the presence of family members, with most (77%) performing greater than 20 during their career. The majority of urban (75.9%) and suburban (60.3%) providers felt it was inappropriate for family to witness resuscitations ($p = 0.068$). Over half of all providers reported feeling uncomfortable with family presence (urban = 31.5%; suburban = 44.8%; $p = 0.136$), and few preferred that family witness the resuscitation (urban versus = 13.2%; suburban = 15.4%; $p = 0.738$). A minority of providers believed that family were better prepared to accept the death of the patient (37.0% urban versus 37.6% suburban; $p = 0.939$). Approximately half felt comfortable providing emotional support (66.0% urban versus 53.7% suburban; $p = 0.173$). Urban providers (53.7%) more often reported that family caused a negative impact during resuscitation than suburban providers (36.8%) ($p = 0.061$). Urban providers (66.7%) were more likely to report feeling threatened by family members during resuscitation than suburban providers (39.7%) ($p = 0.003$), and felt that family often interfered with their ability to perform resuscitations (35.6% versus 16.4%, $p = 0.014$).

These results indicate that, generally, urban and suburban providers have similar perceptions regarding family member presence. While it seems that family members rarely physically interfere with resuscitations, they do impact provider decision-making, including the termination and transport of a futile resuscitation.

Conclusions: The results of this survey indicate that EMS providers are uncomfortable with family with family presence during resuscitation attempts, and that they do not perceive there to be benefit for family members who witness the resuscitation attempt. While urban providers tended to report more negative experiences and perceptions, there were minimal differences between the two groups. The presence of family members at resuscitations is a topic of interest in the resuscitation literature. There are many fundamental differences between field EMS resuscitation and an in-hospital or even Emergency Department (ED) resuscitation. The EMS providers' experience with family presence at resuscitation should at least give rise to the discussion of how to best plan for the ED Nurse practice.

2007 Annual ENA Conference

It's coming up quickly! Save the date! May 7th is the day of our annual conference. We have decided to base the conference on a trauma theme this year, based upon the questionnaires received from last year's conference. I hope it will be everything you expect and it's a great reason for making your opinion known! Your input is our guidance for the conference of the following year!

This year we will have a variety of speakers from in state as well as out of state. Topics will include information about trauma systems, resuscitation procedures, case studies, trauma in the pediatric patient and the pregnant patient and penetrating trauma. Our day will end with a chance to kick back and learn to laugh to decrease stress.

The Wednesday night events will be fun also. Our banquet will consist of appetizers and a

variety of games where CECH can be earned. We are also looking into the idea of having stretcher or wheelchair races as well.

Look for the conference brochure to be mailed out in the next week. Also refer to www.michiganena.org for additional information.

I hope to see you there!
Debi Cannatti
Michigan ENA Education Chairperson



ENCARE Injury Prevention Award



Who do you know that has spent many hours providing injury prevention information this past year?

Would you like them to receive the recognition that they deserve?

Criteria for nominations for the ENCARE Injury Prevention Award :

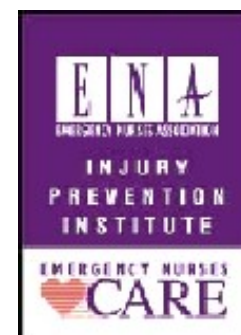
Should be an ENCARE provider that has shown dedication to injury prevention by promoting alcohol awareness, CPS safety, or Gun Safety Program throughout 2007.

Please submit a letter or e-mail explaining the nominee's contribution to the Michigan ENCARE.

Include contact information: name, address, telephone number, work address, and immediate supervisor.

E-mail nominations to:

Kathy Wolowiec at: kathtwo@mclaren.org



TNCC Classes

Feb 4, Lansing
Holly Peterson

Feb 7, Marquette,
Gail Schneider
906.225.3470

Feb 7-8, Borgess,
Kalamazoo
Cindy Swinsick,
269.226.6619

March 6, Detroit
Re-verification Course
Donna Emch
313.343.4733

March 6-7
Beaumont
Stephanie Wilson
248.898.1990

March 8-9, Reed City
Richard Herm
989.287.1562

April 24, Detroit
Re-verification Course
Donna Emch
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March 6-7, Farmington
Hills, Barb Smith
248.888.2575

April 24, May 1,
Farmington Hills
Barb Smith
248.888.2575

July 28-29
Beaumont Hospital
Stephanie Wilson
248.898.1990

September 17,
Saginaw,
Vicki Alverson
989.583.4489

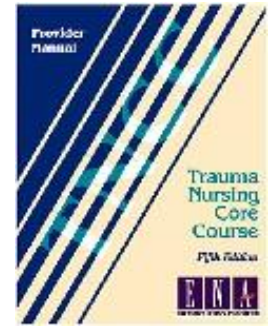
September 18-19
Farmington Hills
Barb Smith
248.888.2575

October 9-10
Borgess, Kalamazoo
Cindy Swinsick,
269.226.6619

October 22, Saginaw
Vicki Alverson
989.583.4489

November 3, 6,
Farmington Hills
Barb Smith
248.888.2575

November 6-7
Beaumont Hospital
Stephanie Wilson
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ENPC Classes

February 14-15
Genesys, Flint
Chris Baker

February 15
Grand Rapids
Cynthia Debiak
616.391.1085

February 21-22
Farmington Hills
Barb Smith
248.888.2575

March 18, Holland
Kristi Potts
616.349.3681

April 17-18
Beaumont Hospital
Stephanie Wilson
248.898.1990

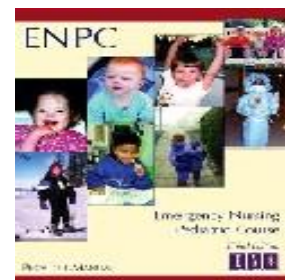
May 2, Traverse City
Sheryl Veurink-Bolicki
616.752.6798

May 15-16, Genesys
Flint
Chris Baker

October 13-14
Flint
Chris Baker

October 16-17
Farmington Hills
Barb Smith
248.888.2575

October 23-24
Beaumont Hospital
Stephanie Wilson
248.898.1990



2008 Nursing Excellence Award

Nominations are being accepted for the 2008!

Excellence in Emergency Nursing Award. Please think seriously about nominating one of your special peers for this award.

Criteria for nominees:
Must currently practice in the field of emergency care.
Must be a member of ENA and an RN

Please write us a letter that includes contact information for the nominee and specific information and examples of how this person demonstrates excellence in emergency nursing.

Name and contact information of the nominator must be included.

This is a great way to recognize some of the many excellent providers of emergency care in this state.

Please send nominations to:
Marilyn Sprague
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Or very much preferred:
e-mail:
barney@power-net.net

Please send all nominations in by March 30, 2008. The nominees will be listed on the web site after May 1st, so all members of Michigan ENA will have the opportunity to vote.

Go to www.michiganena.org to see the nominees and how to vote.

The winner will be announced at the evening awards reception at the May State ENA Conference at the Soaring Eagle Conference Center.

Nominees will receive free registration to the spring conference on May



Michigan ENA

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Members as of January 15, 2008

Can we make it 1,000?

Don't forget to renew your membership!

Michigan ENA Members on the Move

Congratulations to the Michigan ENA Members who have been chosen as representatives on the National ENA Committee

Gerri Muller Elected to the National Annual Conference Committee. Gerri is the current president Elect and Web Master for Michigan ENA

Pat Manion Elected to the National TNCC Update Committee. Pat is currently the Immediate Past President.

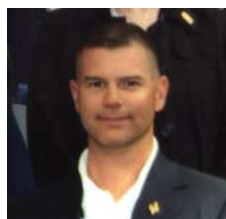


You make Michigan Proud!

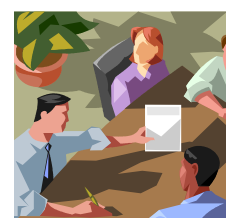


Mark Goldstein Elected to the National Emergency Preparedness Committee. Mark is currently a member of the education Committee.

Brandy Blain Elected to the National Members Component Relations Committee. Brandy is a current member ENCARE and government relations committee.



ENA GENERAL ASSEMBLY MINNEAPOLIS, MN



General Assembly is the national business meeting of ENA. Representatives from each state meet to review and determine official policy of the national association related to the professional emergency nursing issues and activities as well as to monitor the implementation of national Association bylaw objectives.

If you are interested in being a delegate, go to michiganena.org, forms, to review the delegate selection tool. Points are accumulated from April 1, 2007 to March 31, 2008.

Participation in state and chapter ENA activities may make you eligible to become a Michigan delegate.



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MENA Meetings

All ENA members are welcome to attend State Council Meetings:

Committee Meetings start at 10 a.m.

Council Meeting starts at 11 a.m.

February 15, 2008 at MCEP

May 6 at Soaring Eagle Casino, Mt. Pleasant

September 19, 2008 at MCEP Office

November 21, 2008 at MCEP Office

MCEP Office: 6647 West St. Highway, Lansing, MI

Directions: www.mcep.org

**We're on the Web
Michiganena.org**