Happy Spring everyone! Hopefully this newsletter finds you all healthy, well, and vaccinated. It seems California is getting a firmer grip on this pandemic and life is finally beginning to return to normal.

Since the Virtual Fall Conference presented in collaboration with the other CA chapters was such a success, we have planned a Virtual Spring Conference as well. Some of you may have already registered and attended the pre-recorded conference lectures, but it’s not too late to sign up! Enjoy pre-recorded lectures at your convenience and earn up to 11 CE credits until June 30th.

Since we will miss seeing you all in person for the conference, we have scheduled a virtual Spring Social on May 20th so you can network with other conference attendees and reconnect with your local NP colleagues.

Last year we hosted our very first Virtual Student Panel where nurse practitioner students and new graduates were able to gain guidance from practitioners who have been in their shoes. The event was very popular and several attendees suggested we host this event annually. So, this year we are so excited to host another Virtual Panel for NP Students and New Graduates! Not only will we have panelists who can offer advice on navigating the process of passing board exams and finding a new job, we will also have breakout rooms where attendees can learn more about pursuing primary vs. acute care, as well as a breakout room for practicing NPs interested in pursuing post-master’s education.
Letter from the President Continued

Please refer to the attached flyers for more information about these events and how to register.

Summer is fast approaching, and it’s almost time to elect our new Board for 2021-2022! If you are interested in learning more about becoming a Board member, please email napnapsf@gmail.com. Keep your eye out for email updates of available positions, candidates, and voting. Looking forward to reconnecting with you all again soon!

Sincerely, Allison Anderson, MS, RN, CPNP-PC
President, SF Bay Area Chapter
National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners

Continuing Education

By Megan Pugh, Rumi Yokota, and Claudine Cho

Join us for another virtual conference, hosted in collaboration with the other California chapters of NAPNAP. Typically, we offer a dinner lecture event in the spring, but in light of the ongoing pandemic and success of our fall virtual conference, we are offering our nurse practitioner colleagues another extensive conference instead. Registration is open through May 31, and you have until June 30th to complete the lectures and obtain up to 11 CE units. Part of every ticket sale, $15, will be donated to one of three organizations of your choosing. Sign up at sfnapnap.org or https://california-napnap-spring2021conference.eventbrite.com

Additionally, join nurse practitioners across California and conference-goers for a virtual social hour on Thursday, May 20, at 6:30pm. One of the aspects we miss most of in-person NAPNAP events is the opportunity to connect with other nurse practitioners, so join us for a virtual night of meeting new and familiar faces. Look for upcoming notices from us to register, or sign up at https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0sce-urD8rH9XUVsEhczyFspOYzBX-6aDc

We hope to see everyone in person soon!
Legislative Update

By Onica Kuch and Catie Cable

We are excited to continue to update you about what’s happening in the California legislature. The CA state legislature will reconvene on January 11th, 2021. The last day for the introduction of new bills will be on February 19th, 2021. The final day to amend any bills on the floor will be September 3rd, 2021 and the last day for any bill to be passed will be September 10th, 2021.

We send letters of support for the following bills:

- AB58 - Pupil health: Suicide Prevention Policies and Training Through Schools
- SB224 - Pupil instruction - Mental Health Education (mandatory for grades 1-12)
- SB229 - Pupil Health: Mental Health Staff
- AB 852 - NP scope of practice (clarification of AB 890)

For more information about these bills or other bills of interest, please go to https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/. We encourage you to create a free account on the website which enables you to setup a favorites account and tracking of bills of importance to your patient population.

As always, your advocacy efforts are essential to creating change for children and families. For more information on how you can get involved please visit the NAPNAP website at www.napnap.org/advocacy-center.

Membership Update

By Ashley Walker

Current Chapter Membership: 254

Membership benefits include local CE and networking events, job posting, and an invite to our national NAPNAP conferences.

Contact Us!

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Treasurer’s Report

By Harriott Greer Silliman

Current balance: $25,855.83
CALIFORNIA NAPNAP CHAPTERS INVITE YOU

SPRING SOCIAL

MAY 20, 6:30PM

Please join us for a casual virtual "get together" to connect with peers and to share your thoughts on the Spring Conference.

Register with the QR code below
CALIFORNIA NAPNAP CHAPTERS PRESENT

VIRTUAL PANEL FOR NP STUDENTS & NEW GRADUATES

Thursday, May 6th, from 6 PM - 7:30 PM

Register in advance for this meeting:
https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEtf-mpqzkuH9KI7J43fZP1YyV36etzSjwl

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Preparing for the Board Exam
Applying for NP positions
Preparing for Interviews
Transitioning to a New Role
Post-Master's Education
Primary Care vs Acute Acare Roles
Masks for a Mission

Buy a mask to support mission driven work by a dedicated SF Bay Area nurse practitioner!

Next year there will be a call for applications from local nurse practitioners in need of financial resources to support his or her proposed project to provide direct care to communities where healthcare is limited or difficult to access. The selected applicant will be awarded the proceeds gained throughout this mask drive.

$15
NAPNAP California Chapters Present

Spring 2021 Virtual Conference

April 1st - June 30th
Watch the lectures at home on your own time

https://california-napnap-spring2021conference.eventbrite.com

Speakers/Topics Include:

Nancy Sullivan, PhD - Behavioral Feeding Therapy
Beth Kaufman, MD - Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy
Sharon Levy, PNP - Food Allergies
Melanie Balestra, CPNP, JD - AB890
Bahare Farhadian, FNP - PANDAS
Debbie Harris, PNP & Trish Peterson, PNP - Health Equity & Sickle Cell Disease
Rumi Yokota, FNP & Dena Cujet, PNP - Abnormal Newborn Findings
Natacha Akshoomoff, PhD - Behavior & Development Difficulties
Julia Magana, MD - Child Abuse
Irene Austria Ramos, PNP - Hirschsprung's Disease
Linda Camacho, PNP - COVID & Abdominal Pain
Charlie Lin, FNP - I Dream of Sleep

NAPNAP Members will be granted a $10 discount on prices below:

Early Bird (March 1st - March 31st) - $90
Regular (April 1st - May 31st) - $100
Student (March 1st - May 31st) - $80

$15 of every tickets sale will be donated to an organization of your choosing (options will be available at registration)

Up to 11 CEUs can be obtained during this conference

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