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Letter from the President

By Michelle Klosterman

Dear SF Bay Area Members,

In the background, I am listening to today's top news stories and think, "*there are too many tragedies...what can I do to help?*" As I look around my home, surrounded by my family, I am quickly reminded to be grateful! Be grateful—not only for a safe place to sleep at night but also to have the privilege of being a health care provider who can "zealously seek to nurse those who are ill wherever they may be and whenever they are in need" (Florence Nightingale).

For those of you directly affected by the recent tragedies throughout the country and/or the fires closer to home, our thoughts and best wishes are with you. For those that are interested in volunteering, consider looking at California Volunteers website, the American Red Cross, or the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) website for a variety of ways you can provide support and assistance. Please, stay safe and thank you for all that you do to take care of yourselves so that you may "nurse" those around you!

Sincerely,

Michelle Klosterman, MS, MSN, CSP, RN, CPNP
SF Bay Area NAPNAP President

<http://www.californiavolunteers.org/>
<http://www.redcross.org/volunteer/become-a-volunteer#step1>
<https://www.fema.gov/>

JOIN US!

NAPNAP Bay Area and NAPNAP National Fall Conference

*Pediatric Updates and
Pharmacology Symposium*

- Sat-Sun, Nov. 11-12
- Park Central Hotel, SF

See page 4 for details

**For more information
and registration,
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Contact us!

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Membership Update

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Membership of the SF Bay Area NAPNAP chapter is current at 245 members.

Benefits to membership include access to local CE and networking events, job postings, and an invite to join us for annual national NAPNAP conferences. Stay tuned for more information on all upcoming events.

Legislative Report

Vanessa Puschendorf & Torrie Patton

Now that summer recess is over, things are back into full swing on the legislative front. The latest attempt to repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act (ACA), The Graham-Cassidy Bill, failed in late September as 3 Republican Senators did not support the bill and therefore it was not brought to a vote.

In other legislative news, The Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) funding expired on September 30th as no vote to reestablish (cont.)

Treasurer's Report

By Emilie Menard

8/5/2017 – 9/7/2017

Previous Balance:

\$19,172.19

Deposits: \$900.00

Withdrawals: \$0.00

Ending balance:

\$20,072.19

Legislative Report (cont.)

the program occurred. What does this mean? The impact varies by state with some, including California, running out of funds as early as December. With this uncertainty the health care of 9 million children and pregnant women will be left hanging in the balance.

Positive strides have been made for Nurse Practitioners in California. SB 554, which Governor Brown recently signed into law, permits NPs and PAs authority to prescribe medication (buprenorphine) for opioid addiction treatment. Other important California Legislation that we are monitoring includes 3 bills currently on the Governor's desk:

- AB 1520 establishes a task force that will develop strategies to reduce the child poverty rate in California.
- AB 667 would require that students be informed of alternative means of correction prior to suspension.
- SB 63, the New Parent Leave Act, requires employers allow qualifying employees to take up to 12 weeks parental leave to bond with a new child within one year of the child's birth, adoption or foster care placement.

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.

Upcoming Advocacy Events

Capitol Hill Day hosted by NAPNAP in Washington D.C.

Monday, November 6, 2017

For more information: <https://www.napnap.org/capitol-hill-day>



NOV 11-12, 2018

8TH ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE & PHARMACOLOGY SYMPOSIUM: PEDIATRIC UPDATES AND RX

Presented by SF Bay Area NAPNAP and NAPNAP

Join us for a two-day fall conference, co-hosted with national NAPNAP, to provide up-to-date information on pediatric health issues and pediatric pharmacology. Dr. Teri Moser Woo will lead discussions on pharmacology, while other pediatric experts will speak on hot topics in healthcare. Visit at www.napnap.org/specialty-symposium-pediatric-updates-and-rx for more information on schedule, transportation and parking, and accommodations. Registration for one or two days is now open for members and non-members. This event will provide 14.0 contact hours, 7.0 pharmacology hours, and 1.0 psychopharmacology hour for continuing education if attending both days; partial CE credit will be available for single-day attendees.



DAY 1 TOPICS

- What's new in pediatric pharmacology
- Immunization update
 - Respiratory drugs
 - GI drugs
- Pediatric liver disease
 - Syncope
- Medicinal marijuana

DAY 2 TOPICS

- Health policy
- Genomic medicine in the real world
- Pediatric hypertension management
 - Antibiotic prescribing
- Psychotropic medications for children and adolescents
 - Nutraceuticals
- Drugs adolescents use and abuse

PARK CENTRAL HOTEL

50 Third St.
San Francisco, CA 94103

8am-4:30pm each day

Continental breakfast and
lunch will be provided