

ANNA

The Year in ANNA History

Looking Back: 2012-2013

The Year in Review



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- ANNA's 43rd National Symposium was held in May 2012 in Orlando, FL, with more than 1,100 in attendance.
- Revised the Joint Position Paper on Collaboration Between Nephrologists and Advanced Practice Nurses.
- The redesigned ANNA Web site was launched in July 2012.
- ANNA expanded its outreach to large and medium-sized dialysis organizations, and sent a copy of the *Nephrology Nursing Journal* to all dialysis facilities during the year.
- The Research Task Force began publishing a regular column, "Exploring the Evidence," in the *Nephrology Nursing Journal*.
- Nephrology Nurses Week was celebrated in September 2012 to honor all nephrology nurses. The theme "Nephrology Nurses ~ You Make the Difference" highlighted the ways nephrology nurses can challenge themselves to go beyond the status quo and advance their careers as nephrology nurses.
- A total of \$95,000 in scholarships, awards, and grants was distributed by ANNA to members and chapters.
- The ANNA Fall Meeting for Nephrology Nurses, Managers, and Advanced Practice Nurses was held in September 2012 at the Palmer House Hilton, Chicago, IL. More than 450 attended the conference.
- ANNA's Provider Unit was reviewed by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) and successfully recertified.
- ANNA worked closely and collaborated with professional associations and societies, including the American Society of Nephrology, American Society of Pediatric Nephrology, Canadian Association of Nephrology Nurses and Technologists, European Dialysis and Transplant Nurses Association/European Renal Care Association, Kidney Care Partners, National Renal Administrators Association, National Student Nurses' Association, and Renal Physicians Association, to make a difference in the lives of patients.
- ANNA became a pioneer member of the Kidney Health Initiative, a partnership organized by the American Society of Nephrology between the kidney community and the Federal Drug Administration, to address the issues in developing new and innovative drugs and treatments.
- ANNA forged new connections with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Innovation.
- ANNA's "Free for 3, Strive for 5" Membership Campaign registered 317 sponsors and 491 new members.
- The membership approved reorganization of the ANNA governance structure to create "One ANNA," which allows election of all Board members nationally and removes the regional separations.
- Held a dedicated retreat in February 2013 to develop a new strategic plan focused on registered nurses working in nephrology with seven core beliefs, eleven strategic issues, two goals, and three initiatives.
- Crafted a new mission statement: "ANNA promotes excellence in and appreciation of nephrology nursing so we can make a positive difference for people with kidney disease."
- Created a tagline to speak to our commitment to nephrology nurses: "ANNA: Learning, leading, connecting, and playing at the intersection of Nephrology & Nursing."
- The *ANNA Update* was redesigned to include use of full-color.
- The *Core Curriculum for Nephrology Nursing* (6th edition) was approved for revision in 2015, with Caroline Counts serving again as Editor.

