

The Year in ANNA History

Looking Back: 2020-2021

The Year in Review



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- ANNA created online resources to support nurses during the COVID-19 pandemic:
 - Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19): Information & Resources (webpage)
 - Mental Health & Well-Being Resources (webpage)
 - *COVID-19 and Your Kidney Health* (community-focused educational flyer)
 - Free educational programs for *all* nurses caring for patients with COVID-19 at increased risk for kidney impairment
- ANNA launched the online Nephrology Nurse COVID-19 Surge Support Tool to help connect nephrology staff with providers/facilities in COVID-19 hot spots.
- ANNA collaborated with various organizations to present webinars on current issues:
 - Reducing the Risk of COVID-19 in the Dialysis Setting
 - Surviving COVID-19: Mental Health Support for Kidney Disease Professionals
 - Safety and Efficacy of COVID-19 Vaccines in the Dialysis Population
 - Addressing Healthcare Provider Burnout: A Conversation on Workplace Mental Health and Well-Being
- ANNA transitioned the 2020 National Symposium to a fully virtual conference held August 29-31.
- ANNA transitioned the 2020 Nephrology Nursing Practice, Management, and Leadership Conference to a fully virtual conference held November 7-8.
- ANNA joined with the Nursing Community Coalition, Kidney Care Partners, and other nursing and kidney advocacy groups to lobby Congress on health policy issues.
- ANNA issued a statement against racism and discrimination and in support of fair and equal workplace environments, education, and professional development opportunities.
- ANNA reinstated two committees: Health Policy and Nominations; and formed a new committee: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.
- ANNA's Research Committee created an educational series to support nephrology nurses in developing research and grant proposals.
- The *Nephrology Nursing Journal (NNJ)* launched a new podcast series, *NNJ Extra*.
- ANNA released *Nursing Care of the Patient with Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) in ANY Setting*, an educational series to support the learning needs of all nurses who care for patients with CKD.
- ANNA released the sixth edition of the *Nephrology Nursing Certification Review Guide*.
- ANNA released the seventh edition of the *Core Curriculum for Nephrology Nursing*.
- ANNA became a member of the Steering Committee of the Alliance for Home Therapies.
- ANNA joined the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention #SleeveUp to #FightFlu Campaign.
- ANNA joined the American Nurses Association #MaskUp Campaign.

