

THE SCHOOL NURSE BULLETIN

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Healthy Nurse. Healthy Students.



National School Nurse Day - May 10, 2017

45 Years Celebrating National School Nurse Day 2017 Theme: Healthy Nurse, Healthy Students

A Message from the National Association of School Nurses (NASN)

National School Nurse Day, May 10, 2017, is a time to celebrate the specialty practice of school nursing. In 1972, the National Association of School Nurses (NASN) created National School Nurse Day to recognize school nurses and acknowledge their role in the educational setting. NASN applauds the contributions school nurses make every day to improve the safety, health, and academic success of all students.

The theme this year – **Healthy Nurse, Healthy Students** – continues to be reflective of the significant roles school nurses have in the health care in their school communities, as well as in modeling health and resiliency. That healthy children learn better is a simple truth, and school nurses work to remove barriers to learning. In the United States more than 73,000 school nurses are stepping up to help students meet new challenges they face today and working to support education and advance student health. Health, healthy lifestyles and graduation are the goals.

NASN believes all teachers deserve to have school nurses in their buildings so that teachers can focus on instruction and students' individual educational needs; and parents deserve to feel secure that children are safe at school and their health needs are met every day by specialized school nurses. School nurses have the skills to plan and implement care for students with chronic and medically complex conditions and prepare school staff to recognize and respond appropriately to potential emergencies. Prevention is key in school wellness and safety, but planned emergency response and disaster preparedness is an essential part of the important role school nurses play.

For the full message from NASN, please visit https://schoolnursenet.nasn.org/blogs/nasn-profile/2017/03/21/45-years-celebrating-national-school-nurse-day





Department of Public Health Statewide Asthma Partnership Conference

The 2007 Asthma Guidelines-based Care & Initiatives: 10 Years and Beyond

Topics Include:

Keynote Speaker

Michelle M. Cloutier, MD, CT Children's Medical Center
Guidelines-based Asthma Management: Successes and Barriers

Air Pollution & Asthma

Where You Live Matters

THREE BREAKOUT SESSIONS YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS!

In-Home Air Quality

Schools: Asthma & its Impact on Absenteeism & Performance

Tobacco and its Effect on Asthma

This year's conference will be held Thursday, May 11, 2017 From 8am - 12:30 pm At the Radisson Hotel in Cromwell Light Breakfast provided



Connecticut State Department of Education Special Services Endorsements

*School Nurse-Teacher (#072) Certification

The requirements for the School Nurse-Teacher Certification are:

- Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university with a minimum of 40 semester hours of credit in general education, including six credits in English and six credits in social sciences;
- Graduated from a school of professional nursing;
- Holds a valid Connecticut registered nurse license;
- Has 36 semester hours of credit in a planned program of study and experience, including study of each of the following:
 - Foundations of education;
 - Educational psychology;
 - Curriculum and methods of teaching;
 - Supervised field experience in a public health agency or a minimum of six semester hours of credit and no more than 12 semester hours of credit in student teaching of health education;
 - Health education; and
 - School health services
- A course of study in special education comprised of not fewer than 36 clock hours, which shall include study in understanding the growth and development of exceptional children, including handicapped and gifted and talented children and children who may require special education, and methods for identifying, planning for and working effectively with specialneeds children in the regular classroom.

*Please note that in order to eventually advance a certificate endorsed for School Nurse Teacher to the professional level, candidates must complete either a master's degree or at least 30 semester hours of graduate credit. This may include coursework required for the initial educator certificate.

Information on the CSDE Special Services Endorsements is located at http://www.sde.ct.gov/sde/cwp/view.asp?a=2613&g=321308



Webinar:

ANA's Healthy Nurse, Healthy Nation™: Wellness & Safety for School Nurses Thursday, May 11, 2017, 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (UTC-5:00) Eastern Time

This webinar is the fourth in a four-part NASN Spring Webinar Series titled "Building the Bridge to NASN2017." This 30-minute burst of learning will prepare you for the deeper exploration of the topic at the NASN2017 Annual Conference this summer in San Diego, California -- https://www.nasn.org/nasn2017.

School nurses are often so busy caring for others that they forget to do self-care. This often results in inadequate rest, poor nutrition choices, minimal exercise AND reports of higher levels of stress on the job. Work-life balance and occupational safety issues provide additional challenges.

In this webinar, we will explore tips, tricks and techniques that school nurses can use to enhance self-wellness. Learn about new resources to improve nurse health through the American Nurses Association's (ANA) Healthy Nurse, Healthy Nation™ initiatives including the Grand Challenge. Lastly, we will review school nurse data from ANA's Health Risk Appraisal.

The panelists are Holly Carpenter and Jessica Porter.

There is no cost for this webinar and no CNE contact hours will be awarded. Register today at https://portal.nasn.org/members_online/registration/regstart.asp!



2017 Spring School Nurse Supervisor Conference

Tuesday, May 9, 2017 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. (Registration at 7:30 a.m.) Radisson Hotel, Cromwell 100 Berlin Road, Cromwell, CT 06416

PRESENTED BY: Stephanie Knutson, Education Consultant, CSDE

This activity will provide school nurses and school nurse supervisors with information on multiple state initiatives and trends in the state. Additionally, school nurse professionals will have the opportunity to network with colleagues.

As a result of attending this conference, participants will:

- become familiar with new legislation, initiatives and trends in the state;
- review naloxone administration protocols in CT schools;
- learn new strategies for communicating with parents and students regarding obesity prevention and healthy habits; and
- network with other school nurses and school nurse supervisors.

AUDIENCE: School Nurses, School Nurse Supervisors, Directors of Special Education/Pupil Services, School Medical Advisors, and Other School Staff

COST: \$125.00 per person (includes breakfast & lunch)

Register Here

Or

http://www.ctnurses.org/Homepage-Category/Upcoming-Events/2017-Spring-Conference.html

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