American Nurses Association

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Mission of American Nurses Association

Nurses advancing our profession to improve health for all
American Nurses Association

- Represents the interest of 3.4 million registered nurses
- 50 State Nurses Associations, 20 Organizational Affiliates
- Advances the nursing profession by:
  - fostering high standards of nursing practice,
  - promoting the rights of nurses in the workplace,
  - projecting a positive and realistic view of nursing,
  - by lobbying the Congress and regulatory agencies on health care issues affecting nurses and the public.
ANA: Ruth Francis

- Preventive Health
- Managed the health promotion section of CHILD Profile, Seattle, WA
- Manage ANA Immunizations
ANA: Charles Rittle

- Assistant Professor, Nursing Faculty, Chatham University
- Represents ANA at ACIP Meetings and Conference Calls
Assists nurses and the profession through the development, maintenance and revision of scope and standards of professional nursing practice; increasing the health, safety, and wellness of the registered nurse; and supporting and developing safe healthcare work environments.
Occupational Health

- Safe patient handling & mobility
- Workplace violence/incivility
- Sharps
- Worksite wellness
- Fatigue
- Absenteeism
- Other risks
History of ANA Role in Immunizations

- CDC/ASTHO Grant in 2011-2012
- ‘bring immunity to every community’
- Developed the ANA Immunize website
- Developed ImmuNews newsletter
ANA: Role in Immunizations

- Continued supporting ANA Immunize Website and monthly ImmuNews
- Highlight ANA work, State Nurses Associations, and Organizational Affiliates
- Attend CDC NVAC Meetings
- Attend FDA VRBPAC Meetings
- Provide input for other related groups – ACIIUN – how immunizations should be taught in nursing schools
- Members volunteer on committees and provide their expertise
ANA: Role on ACIP

- Attend ACIP meetings in Atlanta as scheduled
- Represent and contribute the role of nursing as appropriate
- Report back to the ANA on discussions, background, and voting results at the ACIP meetings
- Serve on workgroups involved in developing recommendations
- Currently serving on the General Recommendations WG and the Adult Immunizations WG
ANA Promoting Immunizations

Healthy Nurse™

Health Risk Appraisal data
- Currently over 7,000 respondents
- Data used from October 7, 2013-October 13, 2014
- Demographic, healthy work environment, health/safety/wellness
- Included immunization questions
  - 90% respondents have had the seasonal influenza vaccine
  - Less reported being fully immunized
ANA Promoting Immunizations

- Health Risk Appraisal is ongoing
- Change in ANA Position regarding Immunizations (vote by BOD in July)
- Continue to support Federal partners, SNA and OA’s
ANA: Adult Immunization Standards

ANA plays a direct role:

- Goal 2 – improve access to adult vaccines
  - Recommending vaccines
  - Improving understanding of provider financial barriers
  - Expand provider network
- Goal 3 – increase community demand
  - Educate nurses
  - Educate individuals
  - Outreach to community groups via SNA/OA’s
ANA: Adult Immunization Standards

- ANA plays an indirect role:
  - Goal 1 – strengthen infrastructure
    - Monitor trends
  - Goal 4 – foster innovation in development and technology
    - Encourage new technologies through networks
**ANA: Immunizations Moving Forward**

- Continue promoting immunizations
- Refresh ANA Immunize Website – [http://www.anaimmunize.org](http://www.anaimmunize.org)
- Monthly ImmuNews newsletter
- Continue work with Federal partners
- Continue supporting SNA and OA’s

Suggestions from Committee?
Thank you!

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