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The California Association for Nurse Practitioners (CANP), Greater Pasadena Chapter will gather for the 3rd Annual Educational Panel Discussion series:

“Shaping and Advancing Nursing Practice: The IOM Future of Nursing Report as a Catalyst for Change in Health Care”

Thursday, February 23, 2012

Distinguished Speakers and Panelists

Anthony J. Portantino
State Assemblyman
Representing the 44th Assembly District

Rosanne Curtis, EdD, MN, RN
California Action Coalition, Southern Regional Champion
Dean, West Coast University

Karen Ketner, MSN, FNP-BC
California Action Coalition, Northern Regional Champion
Immediate Past President, CANP

Kimberly Wyard
CEO, Northeast Valley Health Corporation and Healthcare, LAIPA

Ernie Powell
Manager of Advocacy, AARP California

with Special Guest Appearance
The Honorable Senator and Dr. Ed Hernandez
California Senate District 24
Evolutionary changes are occurring across the health care system and within nursing education and clinical practice. Health Care Reform and the roll out of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) across all states serve to position advanced practice nurses to better meet the health care needs of the population. The shifting health care needs of the community calls for the nursing profession to meet future patient and nursing needs; promote patient safety; and maintain public protection across multiple systems of care. The Institute of Medicine (IOM) 2011 report *Future of Nursing: Leading Change, Advancing Health* aims to bridge and close practice gaps to advance care delivery and serves as a catalyst for change to improve quality for the betterment of patient care.

The intent of the Future of Nursing report is to provide a formal communication mechanism that will provide transparency, increase clarity, create uniformity, and align entities to advance the nursing profession and promote quality and practice.

This educational program will provide a brief historical overview of the IOM Future of Nursing Report and Health Care Reform which lays the foundation on the present focus and future directions for nursing practice. Panel members will lead a discussion on the recommendations, proposed changes and strategies for implementation; address the goals, conflicts and controversies of the intended document; and describe the implications for advanced nursing practice.
PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

1. Explain the IOM Future of Nursing Report and Affordable Care Act (ACA) Health Reform initiatives.
2. Discuss the role of the California Action Coalition (CAC), its evolution, proposed changes and challenges confronting the nursing profession.
3. Discuss the organizational responses to understanding the mandate for change.
4. Identify next steps needed to facilitate the transition for future practice in California and across all states.
5. Describe the impact the IOM report and ACA will have on the nursing profession as they move toward transitioning for change.

The California Association for Nurse Practitioners, Greater Pasadena Chapter, along with nurse, legislative and community leaders, will lead a panel discussion on the IOM Future of Nursing Report and Health Care Reform. Each panel member brings a wealth of nursing, political and community experience as professionally recognized leaders in their respective fields contributing to a body of knowledge and scholarship across and within the discipline of nursing and health care policy and practice.

Co-moderating the discussion is Donna Emanuele, DNP, FNP-BC, Assistant Professor, Western University of Health Sciences and serves as the CANP Health Policy Chair and Vice President for the Greater Pasadena Chapter and Allison Curtis, MSN, FNP-BC, Family Practice-College Health Nurse Practitioner.

The conference is open to all CANP student and associate members or anyone interested in learning about the IOM Report: Future of Nursing-Leading Change, Advancing Health and Health Care Reform Initiatives, including nurse educators, administrators, health care professionals, policy makers, and representatives from institutes of higher education.

Pre-registration is now open to attend this educational event and recommended in order to secure your reservation for what promises to be an exciting and informative presentation.

**Special thanks to the CANP Greater Pasadena Chapter Educational Program Committee: Paula Christianson, MS, ANP-BC, Allison Curtis, MSN, FNP-BC and Donna Emanuele, DNP, FNP-BC.

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