

FOURTH QUARTER 2023

**DNA is heading to San Diego
for our 42nd Annual Convention!**

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The core purpose of the DNA is to promote excellence in dermatologic care.

FOCUS, Fourth Quarter, 2023

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

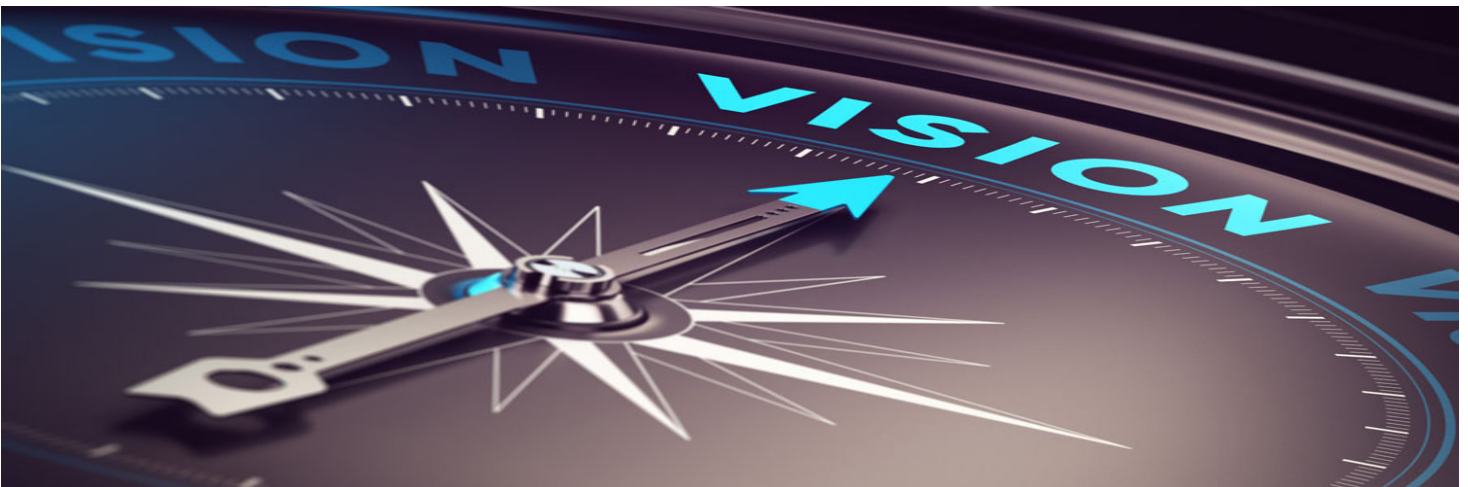
NANCY SMAIL, RN

It's hard to believe that my term as the Dermatology Nurses' Association President is almost over and this is the last FOCUS article I'll write in this role. While I am excited about what the future holds for me, there's also a big part of me that is sad to be leaving this position that has fostered my professional growth as well as shown me that there is no challenge too great that working with a great team can't overcome. It has been an unbelievable journey. Working with Linda Markham's management group as well as the members of the Board of Directors has been an honor and the pinnacle of my professional life. The DNA, the work, and its people have meant so much to me and I am so proud to have been elected to serve in this position.

I would like to wish all our members a healthy and Happy New Year as we prepare for what will surely be some struggles to keep our organization current and flourishing. My theme for the upcoming convention in San Diego is Exceeding the Vision and with that in mind I would like to encourage you to broaden your understanding of what the DNA's mission is as well as thinking about the future with imagination and vision. As organizations grow, the vision must grow as well. We each need to find our own way to contribute as strengthening the DNA community will also help you grow. I'm challenging each of you to set a goal this coming year, whether it's becoming more active in the advocacy platform, becoming a peer reviewer, or becoming a co-chair of a committee. Imagine what lies ahead for you, think a little boldly, what will you be able to do that you can't do yet?

My hope for all of you is to remain engaged and motivated to initiate projects as well as developing ideas to bring out the best in our organization as you are the backbone of the DNA. Thank you all so much for giving me the opportunity to be in this role. It has been my pleasure and privilege to have worked alongside colleagues who understand how to bring out the best in each other.

"Action without vision is only passing time, vision without action is merely daydreaming, but vision with action can change the world." - Nelson Mandela



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BOARD OF DIRECTORS SUMMARY

HEATHER ONODAY, RN, MN, FNP-C, DCNP, BOD SECRETARY

The Board of directors met virtually on July 11, 2023

Board Members:

- Nancy Smail, President
- Dede Sullivan, President-Elect
- Jessica Simmons, Treasurer
- Heather Onoday, Secretary
- Blake Bryant, Director
- Keischa Cash, Director
- Joan Pohutsky, Director

DNA Staff:

- Linda Markham, DNA Executive Director
- Karen Brown, DNA Administrative Coordinator

Unable to Attend:

- Robin Inabinet, Immediate Past President

Pending action items were reviewed by the board

Discussed of LPNs in Derm Tactic-MAC committee was discussed. There is agreement that the DNA will continue to focus on accurate count of respective membership and determining need for programming.

Discussion of activities of various DNA local chapters was discussed. Dissolution of chapter, the process therein, and distribution of respective funds is discussed.

Ongoing efforts by the DNA to promote and investigate engagement will continue and increase, including creation of summative reports.

The Board of Directors met virtually August 8, 2023

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- Keischa Cash, Director
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- Linda Markham, DNA Executive Director
- Karen Brown, DNA Administrative Coordinator

Unable to Attend:

- Heather Onoday, Secretary

Invited Guest:

- Chris Smith, Communications Director

Pending action items were reviewed by the board.

GP licensing updates were discussed. Software platforms and their lifecycles were considered, along with expirations. Status of support, security, and system patches were considered to minimize risk to DNA. The DNA will upgrade security licensure and will plan 5 years in advance.

Strategic planning is discussed, including verbiage for listings of elected positions within DNA. Appropriate respective changes are planned to ensure accuracy.

Unanimous consent that is utilized for HPASC was revisited and affirmed. Sign-on letters for advocacy will also be added to monthly meeting agendas, keeping members informed. DNA membership with advocacy organizations and associated fees were discussed and considered for renewals or discontinuation. Vacant nominating positions discussed and possible replacements considered and will be pursued.

Repurposing of presentations was discussed, including the need to ensure proper copyrights are considered with all published enduring education. The DNA will actively ensure proper steps are taken to have consent and rights of use, while utilizing resources including DNA's Accredited Provider Program Director and the Board. Updated verbiage for online speaker agreements that were initiated were discussed.

Strategic tactics related to LPNs and MAs in dermatology work force is discussed, as are current membership data. Need for accurate credentials and need to obtain accurate counts of professional groups is considered.

Dermatology staff on-boarding projects as pilot opportunities for DNA were discussed.

The September 2023 Board of Directors meeting was cancelled.

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Board of Directors



WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS WHO RECENTLY JOINED DNA!

Ackerman, Stephanie, Midland, MI
 Aclao, Marsha, RN, Manville, NJ
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 Baumgardner, Laura, Registered Nurse, West
 Allis, WI
 Boscia, Alyssa, Spartanburg, SC
 Bousquet, Michelle, Sutton Dermatology & Aesthetics, Lincoln, NE
 Cabrera, Rosio, Thornton, CO
 Caron, Jacqueline, Boxford, MA
 Chambers, Danielle, Lincoln, NE
 Champagne, Jesse, Saint Charles, MO
 Chua, Michaela, Oviedo, FL
 Conrad, Trisha, RN, Calgary, AB
 Couch, Megan, Pompton Plains, NJ
 Cruz Paz, Lucy, Dermatology RN, Rahway, NJ
 Czermak, Jessica, Washington, DC
 Davis, Kelly, Colona, IL
 DeLeon, Derek, San Antonio, TX
 Demore, Paige, Clifton, NJ
 Facun, Marites, Nurse Assistant, Toronto, ON
 Falter, Jennifer, Oklahoma City, OK
 Flores, Doralia, Fremont, NE
 Ford, Victoria, DCNP, Purvis, MS
 Fry, Lindsay, Brainerd, MN
 Garratt-Pack, Shannon, Texas, Abilene, TX
 Hahn, Valerie, Victoria, TX
 Hall, Adrienne, Clinic Manager, Edmonton, AB
 Hannigan, Brittany, Oak Lawn, IL
 Kaur, Harvinder, Somerset, NJ
 Kobylenski Sanderson, Ann, RN, Reading, VT

Koteras, Stephanie, West Seneca, NY
 Ledesma, Christopher, BSN, RN, CEN, TCRN, Tacoma, WA
 Lettieri, Lisa, Rockledge, PA
 Lippincott, Trevor, MSN, APRN, FNP-C, Salem, NH
 Moreira Franov, Tallulah, RN, North Brunswick, NJ
 Musgrave, Olivia, Registered Nurse, Baltimore, MD
 Nation, Deanna, RN, Aesthetician, Plainfield, IL
 Nguyen, Doan-Thuy, Santa Monica, CA
 Norman, Sarah, Parlin, NJ
 Nwabuobi, Karachi, Winter Garden, FL
 Park, Chohee, Fort Lee, NJ
 Park, Hansol, RN, North York, ON
 Patterson, Meredith, Durham, NC
 Poaps, Jenna, Registered Practical Nurse, Munster, ON
 Pomianek, Jennifer, Bothell, WA
 Pye, Odessa, R.N., Houston, TX
 Quinlan, Erika, Houston, TX
 RAMIREZ, PATRICK, RN, GEORGE TOWN,
 Renna, Yvonne, Fresno, CA
 Ruf, Carla, , UT
 Sterling, Janice, Salem, OR
 Sutton, Douglas, Nurse Practitioner, Fort Lauderdale, FL
 Walling, Katrina, Clackamas, OR
 Weil, Alexandra, Chicago, IL
 Weinhardt, Kristen, RN, Wooster, OH
 Wiggins, Nossan, Cincinnati, OH
 Williams, Knedra, BSN, RN, Detroit, MI
 Woo, Jasmin, San Francisco, CA
 Ziska, Megan, Beaverton, OR

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Certificate of Membership 2024

This is to certify that the

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International League of Dermatological Societies
for the period 1 January to 31 December 2024

Professor Henry W. Lim
ILDS President

The Member Get a New Member campaign runs from October 1st through October 1st of each year.

We had 22 winners for 2022 - 2023!

The following winners recruited one new member to DNA:

- Andrea Arcand
- Annie Froelich
- Athena Saunders Hechavarria
- Elaine Woo-Gallagher
- Heather Onoday
- Jessica Simmons
- Joanna Ferrell
- Katelyn Cao
- Kelley Jimenez
- Kyle Morris
- Lauren Kramer
- Leah Layman
- Lisa Anastasia
- Lori Baldwin
- Noreen Dhami
- Shimika Barrolle
- Theresa Furlong
- Tira Brown
- Tricia Lohmeier

The following winners recruited 2-4 new members to DNA:

- Elan Fridfinnson (2)
- Patricia Delgado (3)

The following winner recruited 6 new members to DNA:

- Arlene Peregrin



Congratulations to all of this year's winners!

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Exceeding the Vision

What do you get out of being a volunteer for DNA?

I have been a member of the DNA since 2013. It was not until I saw an e-mail from the DNA looking for volunteers to create a task force to help determine the knowledge and skills necessary for Medical Assistants in Dermatology that I submitted my resume and a brief reason why I felt that I should be considered for this task force. I have enjoyed sharing my personal experience in Dermatology as a Medical Assistant, for the past 11 years, and the Medical Assistants that have been part of the office I work for and some of the skills and knowledge that were not taught and/or learned and how that individual was being set up for failure. I feel like I have a voice and am heard within the Task Force. I've enjoyed working as a team to develop a survey to send out to all members of the task force, DNA members and share within our individual work environments to collect data from Doctors, Mid-levels, Nurses, and Medical Assistants to help form the basis of the national competencies used to guide educational endeavors for Dermatology Medical Assistants. I have also recently joined the Membership Advisory Council (MAC) of the DNA. This group helps develop ideas to maintain membership, acquire new memberships and encourage members to get involved in the DNA. This group also works on different campaigns to help promote important issues in Dermatology, like Healthy Skin month for November which includes a flyer to help educate patients that can be shared amongst all dermatology offices. This committee has a very diverse and extensive background and I have found that all ideas and comments are listened to. As part of the Membership Advisor Counsel, I look forward to my continued growth and ways to contribute to this group as I learn more about what areas MAC as the ability to reach, support and create excitement and longevity of membership in the DNA.

How has volunteering with DNA enriched you as a person?

I love being a Medical Assistant in Dermatology and working with patients, the one thing that I have found encouraging is hearing from all the committee members and their personal experience in their Dermatology Practice. There are some in private practice, some in an education setting, and some in a hospital like setting.

What motivates you to want to volunteer with the DNA?

I am motivated to volunteer with the DNA because it is an organization that includes Medical Assistants, Nurses and Nurse Practitioners within their communications and activities. I hope to be able to help educate and encourage other Medical Assistants within Dermatology to become a part of the DNA. This is an organization that you can get as little or as much out of as you want. If you simply want to be a member and receive the e-mails, educational articles and the JDNA there is so much information to gain from these publications to help increase your

knowledge and recent practices in Dermatology. If you want to become more active, there are multiple committees to reach out to that provide the opportunity to be as involved as you wish to be.

What is your favorite part about the committee that you're serving on?

My favorite part about the MA Task Force has been the group brainstorming to come up with the questions for the survey we administer to find out from Medical Assistants, Nurses, Mid-Level Providers and Doctors what they see as the most important attributes a Dermatology Medical Assistant should have. The data we collected is still being analyzed by the statistician, but I am really looking forward to what our data will show. I am also very eager to see what the next step the data will take the Task Force. It would be very exciting to have a hand in developing the national competencies used to guide educational learning and criteria for Dermatology Medical Assistants. I am still relatively new in the Membership Advisory Counsel, but I really like being focused on acquiring new membership, maintaining the current membership and increase participation within the DNA, whether through committees, Annual Convention, offering incentives to encourage other members to enroll new members, etc. I have enjoyed the personal touch of reaching out to new members to be able to provide them with a point of contact/liason for the DNA. As a new member, it is overwhelming to figure out where to start and how to get involved. I look forward to discovering other avenues of the Membership Advisory Counsel and opportunities to assist the DNA.

What are some projects you are currently working on within your committee?

I need to focus mainly on the MA Task Force to address this question. I can remember my first meeting with the Task Force, and I was very nervous and not sure how my ideas, opinions and interactions would be perceived. I was pleasantly surprised that it is quite refreshing when you have a group who has joined together that has very similar bottom line goals. So much creativity and productive communication just begins to happen. It is very exciting and rewarding seeing the parts of the survey come together and then once the data was collected, having all that information sent off to a statistician to be analyzed. Each of us had an opportunity to compose a part of the research piece that will be published once all the final information has been received from the statistician. It will be very exciting to continue to follow this information and the next steps that it leads the DNA in helping to create the National Competencies for Dermatology Medical Assistants.



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Quarterly Financial Update	(as of 09/30/2023)
Gross Revenue	\$ 340,013
Gross Expenses	\$ 684,769
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Net Operating Income (loss)	\$ (344,756)
Balance on hand	\$ 60,921
Robin Weber Memorial Fund	\$ 0.00 (closed)
DNA Membership	1,115

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Events:

DNA Annual Convention: meet educational needs, network with colleagues in the field and industry vendors and enhance professional growth!

Education:

- National and local programs
- Online Continuing Education Center: CE classes and RN & NP certification review courses
- Continuing Education Provider Accreditation through ANCC

Publications:

- Weekly Newsletter delivered to your inbox, *DNA eNews*
- Quarterly Newsletter, *DNA FOCUS*
- Bi-monthly Journal, the *Journal of the Dermatology Nurses' Association (JDNA)*
- Scope and Standards of Practice
- *Dermatology Nursing Essentials: A Core Curriculum, 2nd Edition (2003) & 3rd Edition (2016)*

Professional Development:

- The Awards/Scholarship Program offers awards, grants, and scholarships for education advancement
- Dermatology Nursing Certification: Certification is awarded to those who have successfully completed the certification process by meeting the eligibility criteria and passing a multiple-choice written examination
- Career Center network to connect members with more jobs in less time
- Leadership development through volunteer opportunities

Networking:

- Interactive website www.dnanurse.org
- @DNAurses social media: Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, Instagram, NPS Closed Facebook
- Local DNA Chapters

Discounted Services:

- SkinSAFE- The Skin Allergy Avoidance Platform free to DNA members
- Hotel Storm
- Visual DX

Specialties:

- Nurse Practitioner Society, a sector of the DNA dedicated to meeting the needs of the NP
- Committees to focus on member needs: Education Advisory Council, Environmental Scanning Council, Financial Oversight Committee, Health Policy and Advocacy Committee, Membership Committee, Nominating Committee, Program Planning, Awards/Scholarships Program
- DNA online store: pins, SunAWARE bookmarks, t-shirts, publications

Advocacy:

- DNA leaders attend the American Academy of Dermatology (AADA) legislative conference each year to better advocate for their members and the patients they treat
- DNA collaborates with affiliate organizations, combining advocacy efforts



MEMBERSHIP ADVISORY COUNCIL COMMITTEE

ALEXANDRA BARLOW, BSN, RN, MAC COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR

The MAC committee is a combination of Membership, the Nurse Advisory Council and the Awards and Scholarship Program. Each quarter, we welcome new members by personally reaching out to and informing them of everything DNA has to offer. MAC is currently looking for several new members to join and another co-chair to help assist with the committee.

We meet once a month via phone conference and together we come up with ideas on how to meet our goals according to the 2023-2025 Strategic Plan. This plan consists of 8 goals which include Public Awareness & Advocacy, Education, Professionalism, DNA Benefits- Programs & Services, Financial Sustainability, Technological Advancement, Engagement, and Governance & Structure.

Our focus is to promote the growth and retention of the membership within the DNA, broaden the voices of the membership, and advance the DNA's mission and strategic goals. We hope to identify more opportunities to amplify the DNA website so that more nurses are driven to it for education.



Thinking about volunteering?

<https://www.dnanurse.org/aboutdna/thinking-about-volunteering/>

Currently DNA has more than 100 member volunteers, from the Board of Directors and Nominating Committee members, to Membership Advisory Council Members, and convention workshop moderators. There is something to do for everyone. Volunteering within DNA can be a really rewarding experience that provides opportunities for you to expand your knowledge, sharpen skills, travel and have lots of fun!

How to Automate Staying Up-to-Date

During the holidays, we are reminded how busy our lives are and how fast time flies when we are taking care of matters in personal, work, and family sectors. As the Health Policy, Advocacy, and Scanning (HPASC) committee works on finalizing an easy tool kit for all nurses to reference in daily advocacy efforts, I thought it was poignant to send some easy and quick tips to automate staying informed and up-to-date with research.

These are free, easy, and quick tips to select the most important information to be summarized and sent to your email for quick digestion.

[Google Scholar \(scholar.google.com\)](https://scholar.google.com)

- Visit the main search page, this is great to focus a search to bodies of research.
- To automate alerts, go to the left-hand menu and select alerts.
- Choose the search term and enter your email. You can change the frequency of emails in the settings menu.

[Congress \(congress.gov/get-alerts\)](https://congress.gov/get-alerts)

- There are many ways to get notified of federal legislation. You can follow the prompts on this page depending on your needs.
- The saved search, bill activity tracking, on the floor today, and committee reports are helpful.

[Google Trends \(trends.google.com\)](https://trends.google.com)

- This is a way to filter and sort Google search terms.
- It has a slight learning curve, but it is robust.

For example, a local community searched for “skin cancer” 30 times more than baseline in the past week because a local community leader discussed plans for shade installation at a park.

We hope these tools are helpful for you, your community, and your practice. Look forward to our Advocacy Toolkit related to dermatology nursing coming in the Spring!



Dear Colleagues, this is the time of year recertifications are being submitted and completed. Currently the Dermatology Nurse Practitioner Certification Board (DNPCB) reviews 100% of all applications and recertifications that are submitted. This process is time-consuming and occasionally tedious for all those involved. The process is not always easy, possibly anxiety provoking but necessary in order to continue to uphold the highest standards of the exam and recertification. We appreciate all those who go through the certification and recertification process. In order to evaluate the process of becoming certified and recertified the DNPCB will be sending out a survey in the near future to all those who have become certified. We do this for several reasons. The first is to evaluate whether the current processes are still pertinent and relatively straight forward for applicants to go through. The second is to identify any issues that span applicants. The third is with the national accreditation that was completed by the board through the Accreditation Board for Specialty Nursing Certification (ABSNC) it is imperative we monitor how the process affects applicants and make changes as we are able. Another item that will be coming to those certified is a practice analysis survey. A practice analysis is a way to examine tasks performed by entry level practitioners and the knowledge needed for competent practice. This is done in order to evaluate

the current scope of practice for certified dermatology nurse practitioners. The practice analysis will examine disease states, medications, etc., that are pertinent to what we do every day. This data is analyzed and then used by the DNPCB and CNET to establish appropriate disease diagnoses that will be used in future exams. The practice analysis directly affects the content of the exam. We ask that when you receive the surveys to take a few minutes to answer the questions in order for us to keep our application process and practice analysis continually updated. In addition, it will be imperative for those certified to have updated email addresses available. This can be completed through the Dermatology Nurse Practitioner Certification Board website by clicking on the log in section. If you do not have a current account one can be created by clicking on the forgot password. To become a Dermatology Certified Nurse Practitioner takes dedication to ourselves, commitment to our patients, and the responsibility to each other to continue to improve in all aspects of what we do. For the DNPCB that includes the exam, certification, and recertification process. We ask all of you to continue to help us improve.

Kind Regards and Happy Holidays, Dr. Jennifer Kaus,
DNP, MBA, MSN, BS, FNP-BC, DCNP

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EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

TRUDY ADAMSON, RN, MSN, DNC, DNA AP-PD, DNA ACCREDITED PROVIDER
PROGRAM DIRECTOR

The Education Advisory Committee (EAC) has worked hard this year to bring the most current and high-quality educational activities to its members this year. We are fortunate to have an excellent nursing community to support the future of nursing and develop exceptional patient care. We are currently working on Dermatology Nursing Essentials, A DNA premiere Core Curriculum Workshop that will be launched online in 2024. We are also looking for a new member to enlist in the committee. If interested in joining this highly functioning team please reach out to one of the committee members, which include: Mitzi Paulsen, Chair. Trudy Adamson, Program Director. Keischa Cash, BOD Liaison, Theresa Coyner, Kathy Gross, Marianne Woody, Kamika McLaughlin, Katherine Leigh, Veronica Fromann, Delaney Baker Stratton, and Lynn Smith.

New CE Center launches include:

- DNP Dermatology Nurse Practice Volume 2 Issue 3 (17120)
- DNP Pathophysiology 101: A Nursing Primer on the Basics of Generalized Pustular Psoriasis Volume 3 Issue 1 (17128)
- DNP Making the Clinical Assessment of Generalized Pustular Psoriasis Volume 3 Broadcast 1 (17129)
- DNP New Perspective on the Management of Generalized Pustular Psoriasis Volume 3 Broadcast 3 (17130)
- DNP The Impact of Generalized Pustular Psoriasis on Our Patient's Volume 3 Broadcast 1 (17131)
- Understanding Clinical Trials (17122)
- Women's Health in Dermatology: Breast & Vulva Dermatoses (17119)
- Hidradenitis Suppurativa (17117)
- Pediatric Dermatology Emergencies (17114)
- Cutaneous Lupus (17125)
- Dermatopathology: From Biopsy to Slide, Histology Basics, & Common Pitfalls (17121)
- A Patient's Odyssey with Pemphigus Vulgaris (17126)

CE Center Online

Programs available have been repurposed from the DNA annual convention. Didn't get to attend the convention? Now you have the opportunity to earn contact hours from the comfort of your home or office.

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CHAPTER CORNER - NORTH CAROLINA CHAPTER

ROBIN INABINET, BSN, RN, AMB-BC

Tell us about your Chapter:

The North Carolina DNA chapter consists of members from across the state which spans from the Great Smoky Mountains to Coastal areas. The NCDNA chapter holds an annual meeting which is held within the Triad area that consists of Raleigh, Greensboro, or Winston-Salem. The 2023 annual NC DNA conference was held on November 18th, 2023, in Winston-Salem, NC.

List ways in which you grow your Chapter:

Through our annual CE meeting educational programs which also allows time for meet and greet individuals who are not members and provide information to join the DNA. This meeting is used also for networking and identifying volunteers for the DNA. The planning committee tries to provide diverse topics to meet the needs of the attendees by advancing the educational needs of all.

The 2023 NCDNA topics were:

- What's New in Hidradenitis Suppurativa
- An Update on Lichen Planus
- Lasers, Peels & Skin Treatments
- Healing the Health Disparity Barrier
- Navigating Novel Terrain in Vitiligo Management
- A Practical, Patient-Centric Review for The Dermatology Advanced Practice Provider.

What impact does your Chapter make in your local area?

By utilizing the annual NCDNA conference, RN's, NP's, LPN's MA's and other office staff are able to network and engage in discussions to help promote the dermatology nursing profession, increase knowledge of patient-centered care related to various topics, and learn to advocate for the nursing profession.

The NCDNA participates in offerings from the DNA to reach out to local health care professionals to provide education and resources such as Dear Diary, Skin Cancer Screenings and events which proved opportunities for networking.

What impact does your Chapter have on DNA?

We promote the DNA by offering 2-3 free DNA memberships at each NC DNA conference as a door prize. These can be used for new membership or a renewal. We promote volunteerism in the organization at the local and national level. Our members are encouraged to attend the national annual DNA Convention as well.

What Chapter success stories would you like to share?

When one of our most dedicated members passed away, two of the members started donating 2-3 free memberships to give away as door prizes at the NC annual meeting. This has helped with growing the membership while remembering one of our past members.

What is your Chapter's definition of success?

Success is continued growth and development of the members and finding ways to make an impact on patients, the community and the NCDNA.

What are your members favorite part(s) of the Chapter?

The number one feedback given is the networking and socialization at the annual NCDNA meeting. Individuals feel like this opportunity allows them to meet others to share experiences and network to learn from one another and be a resource in the future.



New in the CE Center!

RN Online Certification Course

This course was designed to provide the RN with a concise study guide to help prepare for the certification examination.

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DNA members join because they have **passion**...

“ I love the profession and patients and I joined DNA because I want to be current on new dermatology practices. ”

DNA members join to stay **informed**...

“ DNA has kept me informed about new policies and legislation around skin care, as well as FDA approved treatments for my practice. ”

DNA members join for **professional** and **personal** development...

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Join us in-person at the Town & Country Resort in San Diego, CA, on March 6-8, 2024 for General Sessions that focus on Pharmacotherapeutics; Professional Development/Research; Surgical/Cutaneous Oncology;

Medical/Pediatric; and Aesthetics topics. Also offered in-person is our Nurse Practitioner Forum on March 7-8, 2024 which provides up-to-date topics to meet the needs of the advanced dermatology practitioner. There are also three core curriculum workshops offered in-person only on March 9, 2024. We hope you will join us as we help change you and your future!



At the end of this three-day convention, learners will demonstrate understanding of the objectives of each attended session by receiving a passing score of 70% or higher on each post-test, and complete session and convention overall learning evaluations.

Our learning outcomes, goals & objectives are to meet educational needs through dermatologic educational programs, provides networking and professional opportunities, and promote interest in dermatology-related fields, including safety, ethics, research, clinical testing, and much more to advance dermatologic care.

The Dermatology Nurses' Association is a professional nursing organization comprised of a diverse group of individuals committed to quality care through sharing knowledge and expertise.

Our Core Purpose is to promote excellence in dermatological care. The 42nd Annual Convention takes place March 6th through the 9th, 2024 in beautiful San Diego, CA. Our theme for this year's convention is: "Exceeding the Vision". Save the Date and make plans to join us!



Robert E. Kalb, MD

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Dr. Kalb is a Clinical
Professor of Dermatolo-
gy at the SUNY at
Buffalo School of
Medicine. He has over
30 years experience in
a busy psoriasis
practice, clinical
research and medical
student and resident
education.

Consultant to Janssen-Ortho Inc and UCB; On the Data Safety Monitoring Board for studies with Eli Lilly and the Pharmaceutical Product Development (PPD) Group, and received research funding paid to his institution from AbbVie, Amgen, CorEvitas LLC, Janssen-Ortho Inc, UCB, and the University of Pennsylvania.

DNA's 42nd Annual Convention

Keynote Speaker



Robert E. Kalb, MD

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San Diego weather in March boasts sunny weather, with very little rain, perfect for outside adventures and explorations of the local area! We've put together a custom Google Map below to help you explore and navigate San Diego during your Convention stay.

In San Diego, there is plenty of culture, history, and fun things to do whether you are taking a break from Convention, or extending your stay. San Diego is wide open for exploration!

San Diego, California is a vibrant and diverse city with a rich history and many interesting facts. Here are some fun facts about San Diego:



- **Perfect Weather:** San Diego is known for its mild and sunny climate. It's often referred to as "America's Finest City" because of its pleasant weather year-round.
- **Birthplace of California:** San Diego is often considered the birthplace of California, as it was the site of the first European settlement in California in 1769.
- **Balboa Park:** Balboa Park, located in San Diego, is one of the largest urban cultural parks in the United States. It is home to numerous museums, gardens, and the famous San Diego Zoo.
- **San Diego Zoo:** The San Diego Zoo is one of the most renowned zoos in the world, known for its conservation efforts and its extensive collection of animals. It was also one of the first zoos to create open-air, cageless exhibits.
- **USS Midway:** The USS Midway Museum is located in San Diego and is a popular attraction. It's a decommissioned aircraft carrier that allows visitors to explore the ship and learn about its history.
- **Surfing Capital:** San Diego is known for its fantastic surfing conditions, with numerous world-class surf breaks along its coastline. Some of the best-known spots include Swami's, Black's Beach, and Windansea Beach.
- **Craft Beer Hub:** San Diego is a hub for craft beer, with more than 150 breweries in the county. It's considered one of the top craft beer destinations in the United States.
- **Military Presence:** San Diego has a strong military presence, with several naval and marine bases in the area. It is also the birthplace of Top Gun, the United States Navy Strike Fighter Tactics Instructor program. The movie "Top Gun" starring Tom Cruise was filmed in part at Naval Air Station Miramar.
- **Historic Gaslamp Quarter:** The Gaslamp Quarter is a historic neighborhood in downtown San Diego known for its Victorian architecture and vibrant nightlife.
- **Whale Watching:** San Diego is a great place for whale watching, especially during the annual gray whale migration. Several tour operators offer the opportunity to see these magnificent creatures up close.
- **Seaport Village:** Seaport Village is a charming waterfront shopping and dining complex with picturesque views of San Diego Bay.
- **Sunset Cliffs:** Sunset Cliffs Natural Park is a beautiful coastal destination known for its stunning ocean views and rugged cliffs. It's a popular spot for watching the sunset.

San Diego's combination of natural beauty, cultural attractions, and a laid-back lifestyle make it a fascinating and enjoyable place to visit!

Saturday, March 9th, 2024

REGISTER ONLINE TODAY!

901: Dermoscopy - Full Day Workshop

Chair: Harold Rabinovitz, MD

Introduction to dermoscopy. Presentations and discussions on the most current information on the use of dermoscopy in helping clinicians classify skin lesions as benign or malignant will include Introduction to Dermoscopy, Terminology, Pattern Recognition, Nevus Patterns, Melanoma Patterns, Solar Lentigines, SKs, LPLK, BCCs, SCCs, AKs, Facial Lesions, and "Unknowns". There will be formal lectures, unknown cases, and hands on with dermoscopy equipment.

DNA is pleased to announce that DermLite LLC will be partially sponsoring and also providing dermatoscopes, DermLite manufacturers the DermLite brand of skin imaging devices.



Heine USA LTD will also be providing dermatoscopes for a hands-on experience at our Dermoscopy Workshop taking place Saturday, March 9th, 2024 at the DNA 42nd Annual Convention.



Speakers: Harold S. Rabinovitz, MD | Kendall Buchanan, MD | Margaret Oliviero Rabinovitz MSN APRN

902: Cutaneous Surgery - Full Day Workshop

Chair: Victoria Lazareth, MA, MSN, NP-C, DCNP

This Surgical Workshop will provide Lectures and Videos on: Core principles and fundamental techniques of cutaneous surgery; Supplies and Instruments (preps, anesthesia, sutures); Biopsies (shave, punch), EDC, Elliptical Excisions, Mohs Surgery; Special cases and considerations (pregnancy, elders, when to refer) and managing complications (hematoma, dehiscence, dog-ear correction). Additionally, a Hands-On Session will allow participants to perform: Pressure Dressings, Suture Removal and Adhesive Strips; Interrupted sutures and Subcutaneous sutures and if time permits, Pulley sutures and Running sutures.

DNA is pleased to announce that Alcedo Health will be sponsoring and providing suture kits for hands-on for our Cutaneous Workshop taking place Saturday, March 9th, 2024 at the DNA 42nd Annual Convention.



Speaker: Victoria Lazareth, MA, MSN, NP-C, DCNP

903: Aesthetics - Half Day Workshop

The Aesthetics Lectures have been developed for the aesthetic dermatology health care provider to gain insight into a comprehensive approach to providing aesthetic services. It offers continuing education emphasizing both the basics of aesthetic dermatology, as well as new and innovative therapies. All attendees will be able to identify best practices in their own practice and add to their existing practice through new information. Diverse experts in aesthetic dermatology will offer education on topics including patient selection, consultation, and education, brief review of neurotoxins and fillers, laser therapies, cosmeceuticals, and safety/training. The course will utilize lecture, question and answer sessions, and case study review. Due to state law, there will be no hands-on portions of the course but detailed examples during case studies hopes to show real patient examples for deep learning.

Speakers: Blake Bryant, DNP, FNP-C, DNC | Amanda Norton, DNP, FNP-C, DCNP

In-Person Convention dates: March 6 at 7:00 am – March 9 at 5:30 pm

Includes all educational and social activities, excluding Special Interest Workshops, NP Forum and any other additional registration fee selections.

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REGISTRATION FEES

MAIN CONVENTION (March 6-8, 2024)	Member	Non-Member	TOTAL
Super Early Fee – on or before December 22, 2023	<input type="checkbox"/> \$499	<input type="checkbox"/> \$574	\$
Early Fee – Postmarked December 23, 2023 through February 6, 2024	<input type="checkbox"/> \$549	<input type="checkbox"/> \$619	\$
Regular/Onsite Fee – February 7, 2024 and after	<input type="checkbox"/> \$559	<input type="checkbox"/> \$659	\$
One-day only <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday <input type="checkbox"/> Friday	<input type="checkbox"/> \$374	<input type="checkbox"/> \$414	\$
Student (Studying for initial RN degree – proof of enrollment required)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$364	N/A	\$
Student one-day only	<input type="checkbox"/> \$269	N/A	\$
NP Forum (March 7-8, 2024) (Pre-Selected Sessions)			
NP Forum only (both days)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$439	<input type="checkbox"/> \$504	\$
NP Forum one-day only <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday <input type="checkbox"/> Friday	<input type="checkbox"/> \$404	<input type="checkbox"/> \$449	\$
NP Forum Student only (Proof of NP enrollment required)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$275	<input type="checkbox"/> \$275	\$
NP Forum & Full Convention – Super Early Fee – on or before December 22, 2023	<input type="checkbox"/> \$644	<input type="checkbox"/> \$689	\$
NP Forum & Full Convention – Early Fee – Postmarked Dec. 23, 2023 - Feb. 6, 2024	<input type="checkbox"/> \$689	<input type="checkbox"/> \$774	\$
NP Forum & Full Convention – Regular/On-Site Fee – February 7, 2024 and after	<input type="checkbox"/> \$729	<input type="checkbox"/> \$854	\$
POST-CONVENTION SPECIAL INTEREST WORKSHOPS (Saturday March 9)			
901 Dermoscopy – Full day	<input type="checkbox"/> \$334	<input type="checkbox"/> \$354	\$
902 Cutaneous – Full day	<input type="checkbox"/> \$334	<input type="checkbox"/> \$354	\$
903 Aesthetic Workshop – Half day	<input type="checkbox"/> \$284	<input type="checkbox"/> \$299	\$
Guest (other than attendee) Exhibit Hall Opening Reception – \$199 Guest name _____			\$
Support the DNA Awards Program by making a donation. <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 <input type="checkbox"/> \$75 <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 <input type="checkbox"/> Other			\$
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NO SESSION SELECTIONS REQUIRED – All General Sessions for the main convention registration. Separate General Sessions for the Nurse Practitioner Forum.

Wednesday, March 6	Thursday, March 7	Friday, March 8
12:30 pm ____ 130: Luncheon Symposium 6:30 pm ____ 170: 1st-Time Attendee Reception	11:45 am ____ 230: Luncheon Symposium *All Lunch Symposiums pending corporate support.	11:30 am ____ 340: Luncheon Symposium

On the Job

What is the biggest benefit you get from your DNA membership?

The biggest benefit I get from my DNA membership is the education. The annual Convention is hands down the best way for me to remain up to date and continue to learn. The range of topics is broad and there tends to be something for everyone! The Conference Planning Committee does a great job of finding quality speakers to share their expertise.

What advice can you give people to get more involved with DNA?

Just do it! I started out by nominating myself for the Nominating Committee. I did not know anyone in the DNA at the time. I began to meet people through the Nominating Committee, and this led to being on the HPAC and FOC committees where I met more people. The FOC Treasurer at the time mentored me and encouraged me to run for Treasurer. Being on a committee and/or the Board can be a lot of hard work at times, but it is rewarding. I believe in the DNA's mission of sharing knowledge and expertise to provide quality care to my patients. I want to see the DNA be successful at carrying out its mission and as Treasurer, work in the interest of making fiscally sound decisions.

Describe your first experience with DNA.

My first experience with the DNA was in 2014. I had the opportunity to present on the topic of Wound Care at the Annual Convention in Orlando. The convention is what sparked my desire to learn more about dermatological conditions, especially those that affect the patients I was seeing. This even led to me becoming certified in dermatology nursing. I often say, if you are looking at wounds, you are also looking at skin and if you are looking at skin, you are also looking at wounds!

What is your proudest career accomplishment?

Landing my dream job! Like so many people, Covid had a significant impact on my life and career, and I felt that I needed a change. I was always interested in industry work, but I felt that my location and, at the time when my children were younger, my inability to



make a long commute or travel were barriers to me pursuing this line of work. A medical device company in the Chicago suburbs had an opening for a clinical scientist and with Covid, more jobs became remote, which removed the barrier of a long commute. I applied for this job and after my first interview, was told they were not interested in moving forward with the hiring process with me as I did not have as much experience in a key area as what they were looking in this role. It was disappointing to be turned down for the job, but at this point, I had learned enough about the company to know that I wanted to work there. I continued to watch for other opportunities. After a couple of months, I noticed that the position I had originally applied for was not yet filled. I also noticed that they slightly modified their requirements for the position and that the one area where I did not have much experience in was no longer required, but preferred. I sent an email to the HR contact from my first interview and listed in bullet points how I met each one of their requirements and asked to be reconsidered for the role. I received a phone call the next day and successfully went through the interview process to be offered the position. I like to tell people, especially my FNP students, this story because it was a great lesson on how persistence can pay off!

On the Side

The one thing people don't know about me is ...

Before I was a nurse, I worked for an asphalt construction company. I did everything from shaping, to paving, and sealcoating driveways and parking lots. I could operate multiple machines including a skid loader, grader, roller, and paver. I finally gave up my CDL in 2010 when I was well into my nursing career and certain that I was not going to go back to construction. My favorite part of this line of work was being able to see the progress and the finished product after my hard work. I think that is one reason I was drawn to wound care and dermatology nursing as the patient's progress and healing is often visible. It is so rewarding to see the patient finally healed!

Most dangerous thing you have ever done.

Not counting all the bone-headed things I have done in my childhood and youth, what I felt was the most dangerous thing I have done recently was canyoning in Costa Rica. The very first rappel was down a 140ft waterfall. While I had all the necessary safety gear on, there is just something about leaning backwards over the edge of a cliff and bouncing down a rope that my body did not want to do! I never wanted to quit and go home so badly. I think at one point, I told my family to just leave me there on the trail. But I finished the entire activity and lived to tell about it. My family got a good laugh at how the photos that were taken throughout the day managed to capture my various looks of terror. I learned that canyoning was not for me!



Describe your family.

My house is pretty full with my husband, Butch, my son Devin, daughter Reilly, dogs Rapunzel and Flynn Rider, and rabbits Jerome and Rue! I also have 3 sisters and a brother. We are a close-knit family with a good sense of humor that is not always understood by others. My sister's and I say that we were blessed with the Holmes Humor after my dad's sometimes twisted sense of humor. My husband thankfully not only gets it but seems to embrace my humor. As my children are now in their teens, I can see that they too may have inherited that wonderful Holmes Humor too!

What's the first thing you do when you get home from work on a Friday evening?

I like to go out to dinner every Friday evening with my family. We have a few favorite restaurants in our area that we go to. My family tends to laugh at me because I am usually watching the clock. I like to be home by 7:30 so I can be in bed by 8. I tend to work long hours all week and so it is a real treat for me to go to bed early on Fridays. It just feels like I have won at life if I can do this! I think my 20 something-year-old me would be absolutely horrified by this!



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Contact the DNA National Office at www.dnannurse.org if interested or for more information.

What is your name?

Sherry

What setting do you work in?

I work as a nurse practitioner at Leo Dermatology in Enon, Ohio. I started Leo Dermatology over 10 years ago as a nurse practitioner-led clinic. Leo Dermatology can provide excellent skin care to a population that is medically underserved, and many are underinsured or have no insurance. Leo Dermatology currently has two nurse practitioners who provide care to patients of all ages, ethnicities, and income levels.

How long have you been a nurse practitioner?

23.5 years.

How long have you worked as an NP in dermatology or a dermatology-related discipline?

18.5 years.

Describe your role as an NP in your practice and the healthcare team.

I have two distinct work roles, a clinical role, and an administrative role. My main position is that of a clinical nurse practitioner. Every day I work closely with the office clinical team that is made up of Medical Assistants, an LPN and an RN. My patient appointment times and procedures vary; therefore, every day is different. The clinical role includes being an educator for nurse practitioner students, physician assistant students and medical residents. My goal is to provide the student with an opportunity to put their basic knowledge to work while introducing more interesting and unusual aspects of dermatology care. I enjoy teaching procedures and watching the novice become a pro.

My secondary role is that of an owner, operator, and administrator at Leo Dermatology. This is the part of the job that is not easy. Somedays I want to give the responsibility away and other days I relish that I am leading my destiny. I work closely with the biller and office manager. Staffing, scheduling, and billing are dynamic and frequently need to be assessed and reassessed to prevent problems. From the tiny minutia to the major decisions, I am grateful and cannot see myself in any other setting.

What kind of procedures do you do daily?

Punch biopsy
Chemical peels
Electrodessication and Curettage
Shave removal
Small excisions
Skin tag removals
Incision/Drainage
Milia extraction
Cryotherapy
Intralesional injections
Intramuscular injections
Biologics training

What is your favorite part of your job as a dermatology NP?

I love knowing entire generations of families come to my clinic. Hearing that a new patient came to see me because I helped their family member is a fantastic compliment.

What advice would you give to aspiring dermatology nurse practitioners?

The most practical advice I offer is a reminder to read the contract you are signing not only as a future employee but as an ex-employee. Your new job is exciting, but did you ever stop to consider what happens if the position does not work out? Have an attorney read your contract, they do not have the emotional investment that you have. Continuing education through conferences is fantastic. Engage in your local dermatology groups. Become a DNA member, you will be able to connect with so many diverse and interesting professionals. Have fun applying what you learn.



NURSE PRACTITIONER IN DERMATOLOGY

A nurse practitioner in dermatology is a clinician who offers holistic, high-quality care for their patients. They have advanced clinical training beyond their initial professional registered nurse preparation with a master's or doctoral degree and advanced education and training in the specialty. Many nurse practitioners also achieve dermatology nurse practitioner certification demonstrating a higher degree of professional competence. Nurse practitioners are highly-trained dedicated professionals who are trusted by both patients and other healthcare providers.

Expertise in dermatology is accomplished through specialty training or completion of a post-graduate internship program. In addition, the dermatology nurse practitioner participates in independent continuing education activities such as those offered by professional organizations such as Dermatology Nurses' Association (DNA).

Increasing health care needs are driving the growth of the profession. Nurse practitioners in dermatology provide high-quality comprehensive care for diverse patient populations, increase patient access to healthcare services and decrease wait times to care.

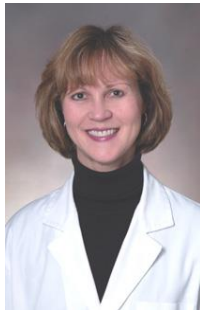
Nurse practitioners in dermatology emphasize the patient-centered holistic approach to dermatology through expert care, comprehensive examination, clear communication and continuity of care.

Responsibilities

- Performs comprehensive examinations of the skin, hair, nails, and mucosa
- Orders and interprets diagnostic tests
- Prescribes medications
- Performs surgical procedures including biopsies and excisions
- Diagnoses and treats dermatologic conditions
- Provides counseling and education
- Works with other health care professionals to provide comprehensive care

Other responsibilities may include:

- Phototherapy treatment
- Cosmetic procedures
- Laser procedures
- Telemedicine
- Policy development
- Dermatologic Research



*Role: Nurse practitioners in dermatology diagnose and treat a broad array of dermatologic conditions**

**Scope of practice, regulations and prescriptive privileges vary by state*



Nurse Practitioners in Dermatology work in a variety of settings including:

Group and private practices

Hospitals

HMOs

Academic centers

Community clinics

University health settings

Veterans hospitals and clinics

Nurse-managed clinics

NP Online Certification Review Course

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NP Online Certification Review Course

DCNP Course Description

This course was designed to provide the nurse practitioner with a concise study guide to help prepare for the certification examination. It represents the countless volunteer hours of power point authors, vetters, and pilot testers. The course consists of 11 modules. The subject matter for each module was derived from content mapping of the DCNP examination. There is no audio associated with the course to allow the learner to proceed at their desired pace and facilitate timely updates. Each module has accompanying review questions. Continuing education credit is obtained by successfully completing the review questions and attaining a score of at least 70%. Completion of the evaluation for each course is required to attain the continuing education certificate. Eligible for up to 38.27 continuing education credits.

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COST:

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Mission Statement/Core Purpose

The Dermatology Nurses' Association is a professional nursing organization comprised of a diverse group of individuals committed to quality care through sharing knowledge and expertise. The core purpose of the DNA is to promote excellence in dermatological care.

Membership

3,000+ RNs, NPs, LPN/LVNs, Medical Assistants, Other Associate Members

Breakdown – 50% Nurses, 22% Nurse Practitioners, 20% Medical Assistants, 8% Other

Categories – NP Society Member, Nurse Member, Associate Member, Student Member, Senior Member, Honorary, Lifetime, Corporate

Disclaimer

The review questions at the end of each module may or may not be reflective of the certification examination questions. Completion of this course DOES NOT insure the participant will attain a passing score on the certification examination. This package is only available for one year after purchase.

AWARDS/ SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAM



Dermatology Nurses' Association Awards/Scholarships Program

The DNA Awards, Grants and Scholarship Program is designed to acknowledge and recognize our DNA members and volunteers. The Program is divided into three categories:

Recognition Awards, Monetary Grants and Scholarships:

Awards recognize our member volunteers who lead and give back to their community.

Grant funds support contributions to the dermatology nursing field and certification.

Scholarship funds support those wishing to advance their nursing education.

Criteria for all awards, grants and scholarships include:

All candidates must be a current DNA member for a minimum of 2 consecutive and complete years of membership.

A DNA member may not win the same award two years in a row and may only win one award per year. All winners will write an article for the Focus Newsletter on what receiving their award has meant to them.

The Awards, Grants and Scholarships application process will be open all year. Deadline for applications to be received and reviewed is October 1 of the year prior to receiving the awards or funds. Applicants for certification grants, convention and mobility scholarships will be informed of the chosen recipient(s) by year's end. Funded grants and scholarships will be given out in the year following application. The volunteer recognition awards will be announced at the annual convention.

Hall of Fame Award

Purpose: To identify the "Best of the Best" in the dermatology nursing profession. The recipient(s) will be inducted into the DNA Hall of Fame and will receive a plaque.

Please direct any questions to the DNA National Office via email at dna@dnanurse.org or call 800-454-4362.

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LISA BONSALL, MSN, RN, CRNP, CCRN-K
DIGITAL DEVELOPMENT EDITOR, JDNA

Have you heard? In June 2023, Journal of the Dermatology Nurses' Association received its first impact factor, with an initial score of 0.4! The impact factor is a measure of average citations to recently published content.

Why is the impact factor important?

- It gives potential authors a benchmark for how often papers are cited in a particular journal.
- It is a powerful tool for comparing journals in a similar subject category.
- It removes bias favoring large journals over small ones, more frequently issued journals over less frequently issued ones, and older journals over newer ones.
- It gives a complete and accurate assessment of journal performance.



We are proud to share this successful milestone for JDNA and we encourage you to submit your manuscripts for publication. Learn more here: <https://journals.lww.com/jdnaonline/Pages/informationforauthors.aspx>

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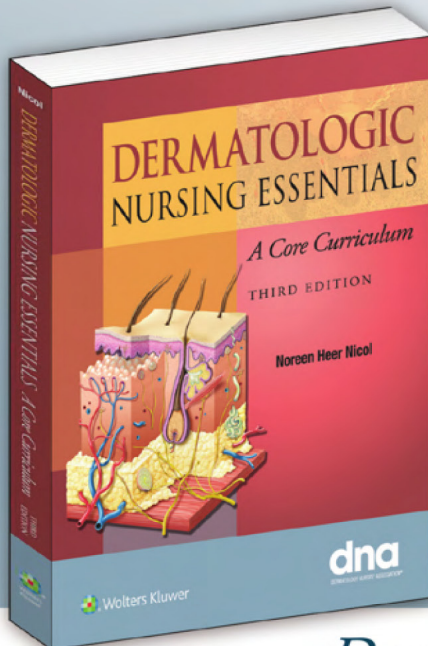
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