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## Pharmacology Content Hours Available on GAPNA's Online Library

The American Nurses Association has worked diligently to address the need for health care reform laws and to support the creation and advancement of the APRN consensus model for advanced nursing practice. The requirements of nurses with advanced degrees to practice to "the fullest extent" will also stimulate the requirement of pharmacology hours to maintain licensure in their state of practice.

Beginning in 2014, 25 hours of pharmacotherapeutics will be required to maintain ANCC advanced practice certification. The Gerontology Advanced Practice Nurses Association (GAPNA) is striving to deliver the needed pharmacology hours to its constituents. Management of disease processes and pharmacology content are delivered in multiple virtual sessions – certificates are available at your fingertips. After completing sessions online, your transcripts are available to be downloaded when you need it.

Go to the Online library and see what you may have missed if you didn't have the opportunity to attend the 30th Annual GAPNA Conference in Washington, DC. There are **more than 31 contact hours** available and over **6 hours of pharmacology content**.

[Visit the Online Library.](#)

## Get Your FREE CNE!

We have also added another FREE CNE opportunity entitled "Chronic Heart Failure Management for Geriatric Patients in the Long-Term Care Setting" presented by speaker Candace C. Harrington, DNP, ANP/GNP-BC. This session is worth 1 contact hour; 20 pharmacology minutes.

## Upcoming Events

2012 Northern California Chapter Local Conference  
"7th Geriatric Update:  
Advancing Excellence in Geriatric Care"

Saturday, February 4, 2012  
8:30am-4:00pm  
1200 El Camino Real,  
South San Francisco, CA  
94080

Must Register by  
Friday, January 20th!

[More Information](#)

2012 GA GAPNA Local Conference  
"Caring for an Aging Population: An Interdisciplinary Perspective on Geriatric Care"

Friday, February 24-25, 2012  
Emory University, Atlanta, GA  
CNE, CME and Social Work  
CEU Credits Offered  
Online registration opens  
January 1st.

[More Information](#)

2012 FL GAPNA CEU Symposium  
"Leading the Way in Care for the Older Adult"

Friday, May 4-5, 2012  
Crowne Plaza Airport  
Orlando, FL  
6.0 CNE Credits Offered  
Early Bird Rates Available  
through April 1st!

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The session focuses on Fragility, multiple co-morbid disease processes, polypharmacy, prevalence of geriatric syndromes, and functional decline prevent universal application of clinical practice guidelines to geriatric residents in long-term care. This presentation is intended to provide guidance for application of evidence-based published guidelines necessary to improve heart failure management and outcomes in this population. This session is only available until January 31. A new free CNE session will be available in early February - check back soon!

[Click here to obtain your Free CNE!](#)

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## LTC/Nursing Home SIG Puts Out a Call For Members

If you are interested in serving on the LTC/Nursing Home Special Interest Group (SIG), please contact Chair [Suzanne Ransehausen](#). The LTC/NH SIG is currently working on protocols for posting on the GAPNA web site.

The SIG meets monthly via teleconferences at 8pm EST, alternating between Tuesdays and Wednesdays. There next scheduled call will be held on Wednesday, February 1st at 8pm EST. If you would like to know more about this SIG and their interests, please join the call by dialing 866-346-2224, pin 4500132#.

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