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## ***The Geriatric Nursing Journal is Soliciting Submissions***

The Communications Committee is soliciting submissions for the next issue of *Geriatric Nursing*. We are looking for reports of important work your committee is doing, research briefs, updates or other knowledge dissemination. Submissions should be between 800 and 2,000 words. If additional wording is needed please contact Debra Bakerjian via email at [debra.bakerjian@ucdmc.ucdavis.edu](mailto:debra.bakerjian@ucdmc.ucdavis.edu). All submissions should be sent **no later than March 18, 2013** to [debra.bakerjian@ucdmc.ucdavis.edu](mailto:debra.bakerjian@ucdmc.ucdavis.edu) with a copy to Elizabeth Long at [elizabeth.long@lamar.edu](mailto:elizabeth.long@lamar.edu). Please refer to the [specific author guidelines](#) required of the journal. We look forward to your submissions.

## ***GAPNA Awards for Excellence***

GAPNA will recognize the outstanding contributions of APNs by conferring five National Awards for Excellence. They include: Clinical Practice; Leadership; Research; Education; and Community Service.

We implore you to please take a moment to consider nominating an APN that demonstrates excellence in the care of older adults. These prestigious awards are open to the membership, who may be nominated or may self-nominate for one or more categories. All application deadlines are June 1, 2013, and [submission details can be found here](#). The award recipients will be notified by July 15th and recognized at the Awards Dinner on Friday evening during the Annual Dinner in Chicago, IL at the Sheraton Chicago Hotel &

### *Upcoming Events*

#### **Great Lakes Chapter Quarterly Education & Business Meeting**

Thursday, March 14th, 2013  
6:00-8:00pm

Andiamo Italia, 38703 7 Mile,  
Livonia, MI

Session: Influence of Aging on  
Diabetes

Speaker: Dr. Lowel Schmeltz, MD  
(Endocrinologist)

Education Sponsor: Merck

#### **Delaware Valley Chapter**

1st Satellite Meeting in King of  
Prussia, PA

#### **"Lipids Management in the Geriatric Patient"**

Tuesday, April 2, 2013 at 6:30pm  
Presented by Joseph Lehockey, Pharm  
D, RPh

Ruth's Chris Steakhouse  
220 N Gulph Road  
King of Prussia, PA

RSVP by March 30th to [Kia Mellon](mailto:Kia Mellon)  
[Download the meeting flyer](#)

#### **New England Chapter "Student Night"**

Wednesday, April 3, 2013  
6:00pm to 8:30pm

Chateau Restaurant  
404 Providence Highway, Route 1,  
Norwood, MA

RSVP: Sue Mullaney at  
[suemullaney@comcast.net](mailto:suemullaney@comcast.net)

#### **Florida Gulf Coast Chapter Annual Conference**

"Enhancing Healthcare in Older Adults"  
April 26 & 27, 2013

Marriott St. Petersburg  
12600 Roosevelt Blvd. North, St  
Petersburg, FL

7 Contact Hours Available

[Download the registration brochure](#)  
[Register online](#)

#### **New England Chapter "Antipsychotics: Appropriate Use & Dose Reduction & GNP: Consensus Model/Scope of Practice"**

Wednesday, May 15, 2013  
5:30pm to 9:00pm

Chateau Restaurant  
95 Turnpike Road, Westboro, MA

Speakers: Dr. Scott Gonzales  
(Community Health Link) and Laurie  
Talarico (Board of Registration in  
Nursing)

RSVP: Francisca Adams at  
[fkma7@charter.net](mailto:fkma7@charter.net)

### *Online Library*

Towers from September 18-21, 2013. All recipients are encouraged to attend.

Thank you for taking the time to submit a brief letter about a deserving peer, employee, faculty member, student, or yourself. We look forward to hearing from you!

GAPNA's Awards Committee

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## ***NEW 2013-2014 ANP/GNP Student Scholarships Available***

GAPNA is happy to announce that new student scholarships (up to \$5,000) are available. Some of the criteria candidates must meet include:

- Must be a full-time student matriculated or matriculating into one of the following programs:
  - Adult/Gero Primary Care NP
  - Adult/Gero Acute Care NP
  - Adult/Gero Clinical Nurse Specialist
- Must plan to work in the field of nursing focusing on the older adult
- Must be a GAPNA member in good standing (student membership is \$40)

Application submission deadline is June 15, 2013.

[Click here for more information](#) or to download the Scholarship Application.

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## ***Research Committee Offers Consults at September Conference***

At the [32nd Annual Conference](#) in Chicago, IL on September 18-21, 2013, the GAPNA Research Committee members will once again provide one-on-one guidance to researchers.

To secure your consult, please provide our National Office ([GAPNA@ajj.com](mailto:GAPNA@ajj.com)) with your name, email, contact information and a brief description of the research/project issue that you would like to discuss. Someone that has experience in your research area will set up a time to discuss your research project with you. You will be contacted and a time set up to come meet with a committee member during open Exhibit Hall or lunch on your own time.

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## ***NEW Education Poster Abstracts Sought***

The GAPNA education committee has launched a new venue to showcase the efforts of those in the field of education. GAPNA is accepting a call for education poster abstracts to be presented at the 2013 annual conference.

Educational projects should showcase teaching innovations from NP faculty educators, preceptors or nurse practitioners providing patient, student, staff or community education.



[Revised Beers Criteria](#)

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Selected posters projects may be published in the GAPNA newsletter or *Geriatric Nursing Journal*. Submission deadline is May 15th.

[Download the Call for Abstracts](#)

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***National Governors Association (NGA)  
Paper "The Role of Nurse Practitioners in  
Meeting Increasing Demand for Primary  
Care"***

The National Governors Association (NGA) provides both state and national views to practical issues. It is represented by the governors from fifty states and is funded by state dues, federal grants and contracts, and private contributions. This organization is seen as a policy liaison between the state governments and the federal governments. One branch of the NGA, the NGA Center for Best Practices focuses on state innovations and best practices on issues including health. This organization recently (December 2012) released the results of a review of literature and state rules regarding nurse practitioners (NPs) and the increased demand for primary care.

In response to the anticipated increase in primary care visits following the passage of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) the NGA reviewed the literature focused primarily on comparing health care offered by NPs to healthcare offered by physicians. Of note to geriatric practitioners, the review found that NPs had greater adherence to geriatric quality guidelines than did their physician counterparts. State rules regarding scope of practice is also included in the review.

[Download the full paper](#)

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***Tell Us About It!***

GAPNA wants to hear about your latest news, items of interest, words of wisdom, and other interesting tidbits from the world of geriatric advanced practice nursing. Make it brief — 200 words or less (photos welcome) — and we'll make it happen by publishing your news and views in the GAPNA Newsletter and/or on the website.

Received a promotion or award? Presented at a clinical meeting? Developed a practice pointer or innovation? Experienced a challenging or lighthearted moment with a patient? Need feedback from your colleagues about a clinical or professional situation? Visited a cool website or downloaded a helpful app? Tell us about it! [Click here to get started.](#)

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