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Online registration is now open for GAPNA 2013 Annual Conference "Enhancing Access, Promoting Quality Care & Improving Outcomes for Older Adults" will take place in Chicago at the Sheraton Chicago Hotel & Towers during the dates of September 18-21, 2013.

Secure your housing now by calling the hotel directly at 312-464-1000 or 800-325-3535. Make your reservations by July 15, 2013 to be entered to win a 2-night weekend stay at the Sheraton Chicago Hotel & Towers.

Is HIV a Risk Factor for Older Adults?

Yes! HIV is a chronic illness that affects all populations including the older adults. Many of these older adults live in nursing home settings and rely on GNPs to help manage their health concerns. Join us Friday at 1:30pm during the [GAPNA Annual Conference](#) to hear Rebekah Shepherd, RN, DNP, PHMNP-BC discuss the management of HIV in older adults in the nursing home setting, session #241 "*Management of HIV in Older Adults in Nursing Home Settings: An Overview.*"

GNP Role/GAPNA 30-Year History – Now Available Online

- This monograph is a comprehensive review of the beginnings of gerontological nursing and gero advanced practice nursing, pre-1981; significant events of each decade the gero APN role and of the NCGNP/GAPNA organization, 1981-1991, 1991-2001, and 2001-2011; and the future of gero APN role

Upcoming Events

**Delaware Valley Chapter
"Advances in the Treatment of
Pseudobulbar Affect (PBA): PBA is
a distressing condition marked by
involuntary episodes of crying or
laughing"**

Speaker: Susan Scanland, MSN,
CRNP, GNP-BC, CDP

Sponsor: Avanir Pharmaceuticals

June 5th at 6:30pm

Toscana 52

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Feasterville, PA

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[Advances in the Treatment
of Osteoporosis in the
Gerontological Patient](#)

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Quick Links

and the organization.

- The publication is 50 pages and soft cover, including color photos and four reprinted *Geriatric Nursing* GAPNA section articles, all for only \$25.
- Proceeds from the publication help fund the GAPNA Archives to preserve our rich history for future generations of GAPNA.
- Order your copies as gifts for GAPN graduates, school libraries, chapter officers, and your personal documentation of the original GNP role through Amazon at <http://www.amazon.com>; search 'GAPNA'.

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.

GAPNA Awards for Excellence - 1 Week Left

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 & 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!

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Need a Mentor in Long Term Care?

GAPNA's LTC/Nursing Home SIG members are interested in serving as mentors for new APN's working in long term care. If you are interested in being placed with a mentor, please contact Suzanne Ranshausen at suzyr107@yahoo.com and she will connect you with an APN from your area.

You are subscribed to GAPNA's eAlert, a publication for GAPNA members and colleagues. From time-to-time, you will receive an e-mail such as this one with important news and information relevant to gerontological nursing. If you wish to update your email address, please do so by [editing your profile](#) on the GAPNA website. If you would like to unsubscribe from the GAPNA eAlert, [click here](#).

The Gerontological Advanced Practice Nurses Association (GAPNA) is the organization of choice for advanced practice nurses who want to pursue continuing education in gerontological care and who seek peer support from experienced clinicians.

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