

## APNA Education and Provider Unit Update

### **APNA Provider Unit Accreditation:**

#### ANCC COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION ACTION

American Psychiatric Nurses Association was awarded Accreditation with Distinction, the highest recognition awarded by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Accreditation Program. Organizations accredited with distinction have completed a review without any progress report requirement. The web directory of accredited organizations will reflect this special designation. Accredited through November 2017.

#### **Education - Chapter Activities**

In 2016, the APNA Provider unit worked with eight chapters to co-provide accredited education for their conferences. Co-providing chapters include: California, Florida, Iowa, Nebraska, New England (CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, VT), Pennsylvania, New York, and Tennessee.

A total of 58 hours of learning to 713 participants resulted in more than 3942 CNE contact hours provided. In 2016, the APNA provider unit coordinated with Chapter Support to maximize the use of the new APNA online activity registration and payment process.

The APNA California Chapter and APNA Florida Chapter delivered the Recovery to Practice program and the APNA New York Chapter is scheduled to deliver RTP in December, 2016. The APNA Texas Chapter delivered the RTP curriculum via (3) 2-day trainings in March, April, May, and July, 2016. 143 participants and 52 facilitators were trained through grants from the Hogg and Meadows Foundations.

#### **Education - Member Activities**

- APNA *E-Series on Bipolar Disorders Across the Lifespan*
  - Issue 1, 2, and 3 eBooks now available APNA eLearning Center
- Bipolar case study online game series – available online, jointly provided with Physician's Postgraduate Press
- Mental Health Care Delivery in Primary Care Round table discussions – in development with Spire Learning
- Addictions Council
  - Opioid use assessment and treatment pilot presentations – May, 2016
  - 3 opioid presentations hosted by APNA for free professional education
  - Addictions Council Tobacco Dependence Branch – completed a summary of literature of current research and best practice related to electronic nicotine delivery systems (ENDS). Members are working to develop an article for journal submission.
- Suicide Competencies – Facilitator Training –Hybrid live and online course (Nov 2015-June 2016) resulting in 32 facilitators completing the 15 contact hour course in June 2016. Three of the trained facilitators are from Singapore.

- Education Council-
  - Undergraduate Toolkit: *Defining and Using Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing Skills in Undergraduate Nursing Education* is completed and available on the APNA website. The toolkit provides strategies and resources for teaching PMH in a nursing curriculum.
  - AACN will host a live webinar on November 30, 2016 featuring APNA faculty who will demonstrate use of the toolkit.
- Forensic Council- identifying priority topics for eLearning two currently in development.
- Recovery Council-identifying priority topics for eLearning, two currently in development
- Child & Adolescent Council – identifying priority topics for eLearning, two currently in development. One eLearning completed topic completed and currently being piloted/peer reviewed “An Introduction to the Psychopharmacology of Children and Adolescents with Autism Spectrum Disorder”.
- APRN Council – planning initiated for AC abstract submission/presentations; possible conference course

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