



Greater KC ENA Newsletter

June 2009

Message from the president:

The **Combined Clinical Conference in Tan-Tar-A** will be August 11-14 and many speakers from national will be at this local conference including national ENA president, Bill Briggs! The **National Scientific Assembly** will be in Baltimore Maryland this October. **Hope to see you there!!!** For more information check out the ENA websites at www.ena.org & www.missourierna.org.

We are trying to keep up with technology – Sign up as an **ENA member on Facebook!** We had an excellent membership drive for the Greater Kansas City area! 35 new members as of this writing – we are going for 40 by the end of June. New cards and membership information should be arriving soon. Enjoy all the many benefits of ENA membership!

Missouri Emergency Nurses Association - State ENA Meeting at 3:30 pm

Annual Awards Banquet - Dinner Cruise on the Celebration

Thursday, August 13, 2009 at 7 pm

Special ENA Membership Opportunity

Registered Nurses who attend the Combined Clinical Conference on Emergency Care and who join ENA as new first time members will receive \$50.00 off the \$96.00 membership fee. ENA application forms may be obtained at the ENA membership booth in the exhibit area. To be eligible for this special membership fee, the completed application must be returned to the ENA membership booth

2009 ENA Chapter Meetings (SIG Managers Meeting immediately following)

Date	Location	Time
AUG 5, 2009 - Wednesday	St. Luke's East – 4 th floor conference room	11 AM to 12:30 PM
OCT 14, 2009 - Wednesday	North Kansas City – Skyview Room	5 PM to 8 PM
DEC 9, 2009 - Wednesday	Christmas Party at Chappell's NKC	4 PM to 6 PM

2009 State Meetings – Osage Beach

Date	Location	Time
August 13	Tan-Tar-A	3:30 pm
Nov 6 - Strategic Planning	Lake Regional	10:30am
Nov 7	Lake Regional	10:30am

Emergency Nurse's Week

October 11-17 (Oct. 14th – Em. Nurse's Day)

2009 - BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

Baltimore Convention Center

- ◆ General Assembly October 7-8
- ◆ Scientific Assembly October 8-10

Save the Date!!!!!!!

Greater KC ENA Awards Banquet **October 14, 2009**

NKCH- Skyview Room

Come help us honor our best and brightest! It's always a great evening of free food and fun times.

Awards will be given out for:

- **Manager of the Year**
- **Emergency Nurse of the Year**
- **Educator/Mentor of the year**
- **Rookie of the year**
- **ED Support Person of the Year**
- **EMS Person of the year**
- **Forensic Nurse of the Year**

All RN nominees will be placed in a drawing for a free ENA membership!!!! Take the time to reward and honor a peer! (Forms on chapter website at www.missourierna.org)

Combined Clinical Conference

August 11-14, 2009 at
Lake of the Ozarks
Tan-Tar-A Resort

Go to www.ccoec.org to download
a copy of the brochure.



**BECOME A CERTIFIED
EMERGENCY NURSE (CEN)!
OR JUST INCREASE YOUR
KNOWLEDGE!**

CEN Review Course

Sept 29-30, 2009 at NKC

www.missouriena.org for
**Flyers and Registration
information!**

Strategic **T**hinking **O**n **P**revention **OF INJURIES**

A Prevention Leadership Program

other health care professionals to integrate injury prevention in both patient and community settings. This program includes a series of 6 interactive modules that will provide you with:

- Up-to-date information and easy-to-use tools to improve your knowledge and skills
- Case studies, examples, and hands-on exercises that provide practice opportunities
- Ready access to online databases, best practices guidelines, and free internet resources
- The interactive features of the program make it flexible enough to meet your needs, whether you are new to the field of injury prevention or an experienced professional.
- For additional information contact the ENA Injury Prevention Institute at (847) 460-4112 or ipinstitute@ena.org
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- **Help STOP Injuries**
- 1/3 of all ED visits are injury related.
- Injury prevention helps reduce repeated ED visits
- Take advantage of teachable moments in the ED
- The **S.T.O.P. Injuries** program is a self-study, interactive learning tool that provides basic education and skill development in injury prevention. Its purpose is to prepare emergency nurses and

Get involved in government issues concerning health care!

Health Care Reform – Seat Belt – Helmet Laws - \$\$ for nursing education – etc...



EN411 Key Contact Program

What is a Key Contact?

A Key Contact is an ENA member who is the designated contact for a specific member of Congress, either a Senator or a Representative. Key Contacts have strong, positive relationships with their members of Congress and contact them as needed. You may already have this relationship or ENA's government relations staff can help you cultivate a personal working relationship with your members of Congress.

- **Why have a Key Contact Program?**
ENA is establishing the Emergency Nurse 411 Program (EN411) to encourage our members to cultivate long term relationships with federal legislators, convey ENA's legislative and regulatory priorities - as approved by ENA's Board of Directors - in an effective manner, and affect the final outcome of federal legislation important to emergency nursing. Our goal is to have at least one ENA member in each of the 435 congressional districts across the country, as well as assigned to each of the 100 Senators, to help promote ENA's legislative agenda.
- **Key Contact Job Description**
- A Key Contact agrees to build and maintain a strong, positive relationship with their assigned member of Congress and contact them as requested.
- A Key Contact is responsible for staying abreast of ENA's federal legislative priorities through such resources as ENA's **Washington Update, Legislative Action Center, and E-mail Alerts**.
- A Key Contact is to build a personal relationship with his/her designated legislator by meeting at least twice a year, optimally with the legislator, to review ENA's legislative priority issues. The meetings could take place at any convenient venue, whether in state, or in district, or in Washington, D.C.
- A Key Contact is to invite the designated legislator to his/her institution or to a State Council event to meet with colleagues to discuss local issues specific to emergency nursing and health care.
- A Key Contact is to respond to requests for contact as indicated in legislative alerts. The action requested may consist of faxing a letter, coordinating an e-mail/letter writing campaign, a personal visit or calling a legislator.
- A Key Contact is to promptly report back to ENA's government relations staff (via fax, e-mail or phone) on contacts made; report should include any legislator comments or requests on issues discussed.
- More information at www.ena.org