



ACNP Makes a Difference!

UPCOMING ACNP EVENTS



**2009 ACNP National
Clinical Conference**
October 7 – 11, 2009
Albuquerque,
New Mexico



**Advanced Public Policy
Institute for Health
Professionals**
February 24 – 26, 2010
Washington, DC



**National Nurse
Practitioner Policy
Summit and Leadership
Conference**
Feb. 26 – March 1, 2010
Washington, DC



**2010 ACNP National
Clinical Conference**
October 20 – 24, 2010
Tampa, FL

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The American College of Nurse Practitioners (ACNP) has been on the leading edge of representing all nurse practitioners (NPs) on federal and national policy, professional and practice issues for more than a decade. ACNP's mission is to ensure a solid policy and regulatory foundation for NP practice which promotes accessible, high quality healthcare. With a unique membership comprised of individual nurse practitioners as well as affiliate memberships for state and national nurse practitioner and nursing groups, ACNP represents the interests of over 30,000 nurse practitioners nationwide. By connecting nurse practitioners nationally, the profession has achieved unprecedented unity and a strong voice.

ACNP's recent accomplishments...

- Supported **strong legislative and regulatory advocacy** program on behalf of NP policy priorities, including provider-neutral language in all legislation & regulations, primary care provider status in home health care, hospice, nurse-managed community health clinics, retail clinics, and "medical homes," plus e-prescribing and workers compensation programs.
- Convened **Public Policy Institute for Health Professionals (PPI)**, a comprehensive interdisciplinary educational experience focused on public policy, with in-depth, graduate-level presentations on key legislative and regulatory issues, especially relevant for DNP and Master's students and faculty.
- Assembled all State, Group & National Affiliates for strategic policy forum at the **15th Annual National Summit and Leadership Development Summit** in Washington, DC.
- Facilitated joint efforts of seven national NP organizations to develop two robust policy documents: "**DNP Education, Certification & Titling: Unified Statement,**" and "**Medical Home: Coordinated Primary Care.**"
- Initiated discussions in Congressional Offices for **grassroots NP members to advocate for public policy agenda's priorities** and to provide input into legislative language and Congressional committee reports.
- Initiated **policy meetings with Federal agencies** such as Centers for Medicare & Medicaid (CMS), Agency for Healthcare Research & Quality (AHRQ), Food & Drug Administration (FDA), Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and others.
- Participated actively in **national coalitions** such as Coalition for Patients Rights, Partnership to Fight Chronic Disease, Partnership for Prescription Assistance, and are closely monitoring activities of Patient Centered Primary Care Collaborative (PCPCC).
- Assumed **leadership in state and local NP organizations** to provide rapid responses to defeat state initiatives that would damage NP scope of practice.
- Contributed to **policy discussions at non-government organizations** such as Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Commonwealth Fund, American Nurses Association and other national nursing and APN organizations.

ACNP continues its strides forward...

- Advancing the **public policy agenda** for nurse practitioners through a dynamic, interactive member- member-driven process.
- **Endorsing and partnering with Nurses Service Organization (NSO)**, the nation's largest provider of nurse's professional liability insurance coverage, continually educating and updating ACNP members on issues of critical importance. The partnership with NSO is designed to further educate ACNP members on importance of liability insurance and the growing insurance crisis faced by nurse practitioners and other health care providers
- Providing the exceptional peer-reviewed official **ACNP Journal for Nurse Practitioners** to ACNP members and to 50,000 NPs nationally. Published in partnership with Elsevier, the world-leading health care and scientific publisher, JNP is a critical resource for NPs to stay current on issues affecting their day-to-day clinical practice.
- Developing **expanded leadership and practice management resources** for members.
- Establishing **policy resources on state and federal issues** for members and the public.
- Advocating for **use of provider-neutral language** in all Federal and State legislation, regulation, and other policies.