

UPCOMING ACNP EVENTS

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2009 ACNP National
Clinical Conference
Oct. 7 – 11, 2009
Albuquerque,
New Mexico

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

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

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

ACNP's Mission is to Ensure a Solid Policy and Regulatory Foundation that Enables Nurse Practitioners to Continue Providing Accessible, High Quality Health Care

As part of this important mission, ACNP advocates federal policies and programs to enhance access to care, provide options for health care consumers, and support nurse practitioners. To that end, ACNP encourages Congress and the Administration to ensure that nurse practitioners are enfranchised in legislative and regulatory policymaking efforts, including membership on all relevant policymaking panels, committees, and other entities. Specifically, ACNP leadership identified the following Public Policy Priorities for 2009:

- Acknowledge the central role of nurse practitioners in the design and implementation of an optimal US healthcare delivery system;
- Provide full reimbursement and empanelment for all nurse practitioners in all settings;
- Include provider-neutral language in all federal legislation, regulation, and other policies;
- Recognize nurse practitioner's authority to order home health and hospice services and to admit patients to skilled nursing facilities;
- Support development of a national nurse practitioner database and tracking mechanism;
- Support policies that recognize nurse practitioners as primary care providers in all settings including medical homes;
- Appropriate increased funding for nursing faculty, advanced practice nursing and basic nursing education and research;
- Assure inclusion of nurse practitioners in the development of health IT policy and system infrastructure; and
- Incorporate the nurse practitioner perspective in national healthcare reform strategy.

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