



2011 ACNP Health Policy Agenda

UPCOMING ACNP EVENTS



**2011 ACNP National
Clinical Conference**
October 5 – 9, 2011
Denver, CO



**National Nurse
Practitioner Policy
Summit and Leadership
Conference**
February, 2012
Washington, DC



**2012 ACNP National
Clinical Conference**
October 3 – 7, 2012
Toronto, Canada



**2013 ACNP National
Clinical Conference**
October 2 – 6, 2013
Las Vegas, Nevada

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

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 Health Policy Priorities for 2011:

- 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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