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ANA LAUNCHES NEW SAFE STAFFING WEBSITE
Education, Resources for Nurses

SILVER SPRING, MD – The American Nurses Association (ANA) has launched a new web site dedicated to the issue of safe staffing. The new site educates nurses about ANA’s history of advocacy on the issue, provides updates on the newest information and developments, and gives nurses tools to get involved.

The site allows nurses to share their own stories and concerns and invites them to help strengthen the case for safe staffing legislation by completing a survey. Through the site, nurses can also stay informed about the latest developments on Capitol Hill and contact their members of Congress to urge their support.

“ANA has been a persistent driving force in the efforts to make safe staffing legislation a reality,” said Linda J. Stierle, MSN, RN, CNAA,BC, CEO of the American Nurses Association. “This site gives nurses a stronger voice, and empowers them to take an active role in impacting their workplace environment.”

“Safe staffing saves lives,” added Rebecca M. Patton, MSN, RN, CNOR, President, American Nurses Association. “There is a growing body of evidence that demonstrates adequate nurse staffing improves the health outcomes of patients, resulting in fewer inpatient days, complications and deaths. Implementing safe staffing levels should be seen as a critical

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investment in quality, cost effective care, and ANA's goal with this web site is to establish staffing levels that promote a safe and healthy working environment for nurses, and ensure the highest possible patient care.”

Visit www.safestaffingsaveslives.org to get involved in ANA's safe staffing campaign.

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The ANA is the only full-service professional organization representing the interests of the nation's 2.9 million registered nurses through its 54 constituent member nurses associations. The ANA advances the nursing profession by fostering high standards of nursing practice, promoting the rights of nurses in the workplace, projecting a positive and realistic view of nursing, and by lobbying the Congress and regulatory agencies on health care issues affecting nurses and the public.