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ANA Gains American College of Nurse-Midwives as an Organizational Affiliate
Addition of Advanced Practice Nursing Group Boosts Advocacy Strength for Nursing

SILVER SPRING, MD – The American Nurses Association (ANA), the largest nursing organization in the United States, is pleased to announce that the American College of Nurse-Midwives (ACNM) is joining ANA as an organizational affiliate.

“This new partnership ensures that ANA will continue the long tradition of representing the interests of all nurses,” said ANA President Rebecca M. Patton, MSN, RN, CNOR. “Through organizational affiliates like the American College of Nurse-Midwives, we grow and give all nurses a stronger voice as we work together to achieve mutual goals and advocate for the issues that matter most to the nursing community and the patients we serve.”

ACNM President Melissa D. Avery, CNM, PhD, FACNM, FAAN, said the American College of Nurse-Midwives “looks forward to continuing collaboration with ANA in federal health policy and other initiatives related to nursing and midwifery. We also welcome the opportunity to communicate about the midwifery profession, including our equivalent Certified Midwife (CM) members.”

Through affiliation with ANA, nursing-related organizations such as ACNM can advocate independently for their unique needs while also benefiting from a united presence that is committed to strengthening the nursing profession as a whole and improving safety for patients in all settings.

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In the last four years, the number of nursing organizations that have joined ANA as an organizational affiliate has nearly doubled from 13 to 25. The 25 specialty nursing organizations that currently connect to ANA as affiliates represent approximately 330,000 RNs.

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The ANA is the only full-service professional organization representing the interests of the nation's 3.1 million registered nurses through its constituent member nurses associations, its organizational affiliates, and its workforce advocacy affiliate, the Center for American Nurses. 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.