



## THE GUTSY INNOVATOR

EMPOWERING THE CREATIVE SPIRIT OF NURSING

August 2021

### Engaging the Whole

Dear Nursing Colleague,

William Butler Yeats wrote the perfect phrase to describe nursing, “Though leaves are many, the root is one.” As a profession, we need to celebrate the multitude of ways nurses work across health care and transcend barriers to make health happen. It’s time to rally around our collective ability to bring about impactful change. This starts by shedding what no longer serves us well to make space for what our profession needs to become – to activate “the many.”

Working in healthcare we see the patterns, behaviors, and beliefs of our communities playing out in real-time. Nurses know what works and what fails to add value to our work environments and the people we care for. I believe that our profession is “the most trusted” partner, perfectly positioned to inform, empower, and guide people out of this pandemic. Every day, nurses build better versions of healthcare, health, and well-being for people across our country.

It’s time to trust your wisdom, honor your experiences, and raise your voice.

Keep being gutsy, Ori

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# ANA INNOVATION LOUNGE

VIRTUAL EVENT

Nurse Innovators, Creators,  
and Experts Talk Innovation  
in Health Care

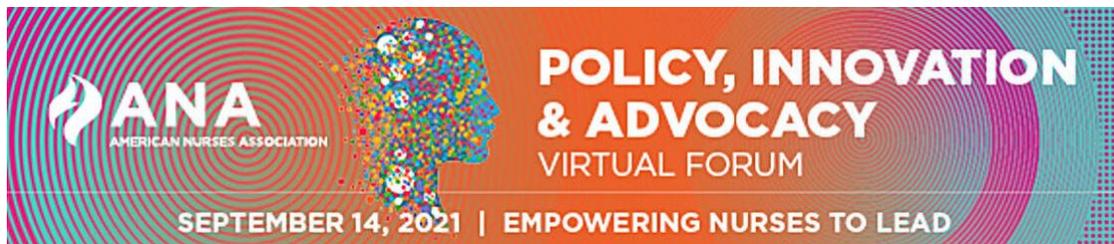
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## What Do You Do With an Idea? Navigating the Front End of Innovation Nursing - August 17

Nurses leading new ways of working and navigating this pandemic are ripe with innovations and the chance to innovate. Learn how empathy, understanding, and kindness can guide your ideas forward.

Stay tuned for future lounges -- September 28 and October 12. We look forward to seeing you there!

Register for Free Today!



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## Coming in September - ANA PI+A Forum

Be a part of the virtual ANA Policy, Innovation, and Advocacy Forum! See what's happening around our country as nurses innovate across practice and advocate for people and strong health policies. Celebrate nurse-led innovation at the NursePitch™ Showcase and network with peers. Plus, earn up to **12 CNE** credits. ANA members get a 20% discount on registration fees.

Register Now



## ANA Innovation Awards - You Could Win!

Apply for the ANA Innovation Awards, sponsored by Stryker, and you could win **\$25,000** entering as an individual or **\$50,000** as a team. Awards will be presented to a nurse and a nurse-led team whose innovations are: educational interventions, products, devices, technology, research, businesses or programs, services, or new care models that are improving health and patient safety. Open to all nurses!

[See Rules and Apply Today!](#)

## See You Now Podcast

August is Civic Health Month. Check out how nurses and health professionals work to give everyone a voice about their health and well-being. Learn how voter engagement can lead to improved policies, a reduction in health disparities to build a healthier democracy.



### Episode 55: Ready to Vote?

As part of the growing Civic Health movement and its nationwide effort to normalize healthcare settings as community touchpoints for voter access, listen to the experiences and insights of three civic health innovators.

[Listen to Episode 55](#)

### Episode 41: #VaccinesWork: Building Confidence

In this episode, we dive deep into the science of vaccines and discuss the ethics and details of clinical trials and vaccine distribution, and the role that nurses specifically play in developing vaccine confidence.

[Listen to Episode 41](#)

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## August Innovation Blog Post

Nursing is at a paradigm-shifting moment. As a profession, we have a choice to double down on the past or catalyze ourselves into the future.



### The Future of Nursing: A Paradigm Shifting Moment

by Dan Weberg, PhD, MHI, BSN, RN

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## Be Gutsy!

*"The man who moves a mountain begins by carrying away small stones."*

- Confucius

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