



ACNL in Action:

Nurse Leaders Making a Difference!

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Scholarships Available for ACNL Members Attending Inaugural Class!

New Academy Launch Date Coincides with ACNL Annual Conference

ACNL's Board of Directors announced that **scholarships of \$10,000** are available for members who enroll in the inaugural class of the Executive Leadership Academy (ELA). The ELA inaugural class will begin in early February 2019 in conjunction with ACNL's Annual Conference in Pasadena.

ACNL's Executive Leadership Academy is a transformational learning experience designed to help nurse leaders excel in executive leadership practice. Developed by and for nurse leaders, the program is tailored to meet the unique needs of participants.

[View Executive Leadership Academy Brochure](#)

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To Apply to the Executive Leadership Academy: You will need one letter of recommendation, a curriculum vitae and a 200 - 400 word personal statement describing your future career goals. Have these materials ready, then visit: [Executive Leadership Academy Online Application Site](#)

Once you submit your online application, you'll be notified within 2 weeks if you've been accepted to the Executive Leadership Academy.

ELA tuition is \$15,000. ACNL members are eligible for \$10,000 scholarships – simply complete the brief scholarship eligibility section on the ELA application.

Don't Miss this Opportunity! Inaugural Class Limited to 20 - Preference Given to ACNL Members!

Voting Open for ACNL's 2019 Board of Directors

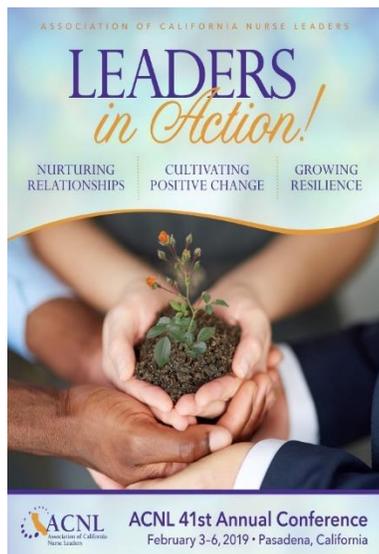
The election for the 2019 ACNL Board of Directors is underway. Voting is conducted via *Survey Monkey*. All eligible voting members should have received an email ballot from ACNL CEO Kim Tomasi via Survey Monkey (kim@acnl.org via [surveymonkey.com](https://www.surveymonkey.com)) containing a link to voting that is unique to you. Please do not share this link or forward to anyone else.

If you have not received an email for voting – please check your junk mail and spam files. If you cannot locate the email, contact the ACNL office at 916-779-6949, or wendy@acnl.org to assist you.

View the [2019 Candidate Booklet](#) for more information about each candidate and watch for emails with flyers from the candidates!

Polls close Thursday, August 30 at 5:00 p.m. Please Note: Associate and Professional Colleague Members not eligible to vote in ACNL elections.

ACNL Adds More Speakers to 2019 Annual Conference Lineup



Leaders in Action!

Nurturing Relationships | Cultivating Positive Change | Growing Resilience

Feb. 3-6, 2019 at the Pasadena Convention Center

New Presenters and Sessions:

Susan Finlayson, DNP, RN, NE-BC, Senior Vice President of Operations at Mercy Medical Center in Baltimore, describes the use of *gamification* to accelerate learning and development among nurses and other healthcare professionals.

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Panel Examines the Human Trafficking Epidemic – Kim Tomasi, MSN, RN, CEO of ACNL; Joyce Eden, BS, MHA, RN, Director of Emergency Services at St. Agnes Medical Center in Fresno; and Anitra Williams, DNP, RN, CCRN, HACP, Director for Nursing Operations at St. Joseph Medical Center in Stockton, discuss strategies to combat human trafficking – including identification and rescue of victims and restoration of their health.

Endnote **Mary Jo Cowan, MSN, RN**, Director of Health Services at Stockton Unified School District, provides an inspiring and entertaining look at the key role time plays in shaping our life story.

Be a Leader in Action! Plan to Attend ACNL's 2019 Conference in Pasadena

[View More Program Details](#)

Scholarship/Fellowship/Grant Opportunities from ACNL

To further our mission to develop nurse leaders and promote lifelong learning, ACNL sponsors academic and research scholarships and fellowships annually for our members. Through this year's application process, ACNL will award three \$5000 scholarships and one \$7500 scholarship. To further support ACNL members advancing their education, our longtime partners will award two additional scholarships: Catalyst Systems will present the \$3,000 Barbara Brantley Scholarship; and Alpha Consulting Group will award a \$2,000 scholarship. These scholarships will be presented at ACNL's 41st Annual Conference, February 3-6, 2019 in Pasadena.

Scholarship Application Deadline is September 2, 2018.

[ACNL Scholarship Information and Online Application](#)

Nurses Float Scholarship

The Nurses Float Scholarship Fund was created from monies remaining from the Nurses Float, which appeared in the 2013 Rose Parade.

ACNL, in partnership with Bare Root, Inc.,

presents the Nurses Float Scholarship annually. This is an academic scholarship awarded to a registered nurse pursuing either an ADN to BSN or BSN to MSN degree. This scholarship will be presented at ACNL's 2019 Conference in February.



Membership in ACNL or California residency is NOT required to apply for the Nurses Float Scholarship.

Application Deadline for Nurses Float Scholarship is September 2, 2018.

[Nurses Float Scholarship Information and Online Application](#)

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Recognize Excellence! Nominate a Colleague for an ACNL Award

ACNL's Awards Program recognizes the outstanding contributions of nurse leaders in advancing nursing excellence and improving the health of our patients and communities. Best Practice Award categories are: Leadership, Professional Education, Clinical Practice, Innovation and Technology in Professional Nursing, Recruitment/Retention and Outreach, Excellence in Nursing Research, Outstanding Emerging Nurse Leader, Contributions as a Humanitarian and Chapter Excellence. In addition, there are two awards for support of the nursing profession: Friend of Nursing and Contributions to ACNL.

Recognize a nurse leader who is serving our profession with distinction! Nominate a colleague for a prestigious ACNL award.

[Online Nomination Application](#) **Deadline is September 2, 2018**

CACN: The Voice of California Baccalaureate and Graduate Nursing Education

By Scott Ziehm, DNP, RN
CACN President



The California Association of Colleges of Nursing (CACN) is the voice for baccalaureate and graduate nursing education in California. What began in 1995 as a networking organization for the deans and directors of university-based schools of nursing, is now a 501c3 organization whose members collaborate across the state and work with lawmakers, regulators and other key stakeholders on education and health-related issues. CACN holds students as a priority and annually offers student scholarships to the best and the brightest nursing students in undergraduate and graduate nursing programs.

My goal as President of CACN is to advance our statewide advocacy efforts. CACN's potential as an organization can be far reaching and impactful. To that end, CACN is currently working with the BRN as part of the planning team for the upcoming Regional Summits addressing priority issues related to clinical nursing education. I also look forward to supporting CACN's advocacy for the nursing profession with our state legislature on many issues including greater independence for advanced practice registered nurses.

A sincere thank you to ACNL who has been a key partner as a member of the Quad Council (ACNL, ANA/C, CACN and COADN) as we move nursing forward in California. Learn more about CACN by visiting our website at: www.cacollegesofnursing.org.

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Exciting Career Opportunity - HealthImpact Searches for New CEO

Application Deadline is Friday, August 31, 2018

HealthImpact, California's nursing workforce center, is known for its innovation and creative collaboration. The workforce center collaborates with a wide range of partners – devising practical solutions to better prepare nurses for their professional responsibilities today and in the future as health care expands beyond traditional settings to encompass team-based care in the community. With the retirement of CEO Judee Berg, the HealthImpact Board of Directors is seeking a dynamic and passionate nurse leader to lead the organization. If you are committed to making a difference in nursing and health care, consider applying for this chief staff officer position.

Responsibilities – The CEO provides leadership, strategic vision and direction to fulfill the mission and vision of HealthImpact. The CEO ensures organizational integrity, efficient operations, financial strength and the development and implementation of goals to secure long-term vitality.

Qualifications – Registered Nurse with an unencumbered California license or eligibility to apply for an active California RN license. Advanced degree in business, healthcare administration, nursing, public health or a related field.

To Apply – Interested nurse leaders are encouraged to visit www.HealthImpact.org to learn more about this outstanding opportunity. Submit letter of interest and CV to Laura Ford at Laura@healthimpact.org by **Friday, August 31, 2018**. Questions regarding the position can be directed to ACNL CEO Emeritus Patricia McFarland, MS, RN, FAAN at patricia@acnl.org

Call for Posters for HQI Annual Conference

The Hospital Quality Institute Annual Conference is Oct 28-30 in Huntington Beach, CA. This well-respected conference offers a stimulating and inspiring schedule of leading edge patient safety and performance improvement education.

There is also the opportunity to disseminate lessons from completed patient safety and quality improvement projects with a national audience through the poster session. Successful posters will demonstrate improvements in quality, patient safety and patient experience. Share your accomplishments and how success was achieved. Submissions involving innovative approaches, engaging multiple stakeholders and/or providers across the continuum of care are encouraged.

Poster presenters will receive 50% off registration for one author. **Deadline for poster submission is Friday, Aug 31.**

[More Information and Poster Submission Requirements](#)

[General HQI Conference Information](#)

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Support ACNL Through AmazonSmile Purchases

How to Sign Up or Change Your AmazonSmile Charitable Organization to ACNL

An easy way to contribute to ACNL's philanthropic program, the *Circles of Giving*, is to sign up for Amazon Smile when you go shopping online. Amazon will contribute a percentage of your purchase to ACNL every time you buy something. Please consider this option – it won't cost you a penny and will help ACNL provide scholarships and fund educational programs for nurse leaders.

Use the quick link below to set up and designate your AmazonSmile account to ACNL, or easily change your existing designated charity to ACNL.

ACNL/AmazonSmile quick link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/94-2910850>

OR follow these instructions:

On your first visit to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), you will be prompted to select a charitable organization from a list of eligible organizations. You can type in ACNL.org or Association of California Nurse Leaders and our organization will be visible for selection. You can change your designated charitable organization at any time.

To change your current charitable organization on AmazonSmile:

1. Sign in to smile.amazon.com on your desktop or mobile device browser.
2. From your desktop, go to **Your Account** from the navigation at the top of any page, and then select the option to **Change your Charity**. Or, from your mobile browser, select **Change your Charity** from the options at the bottom of the page.
3. Select a new charitable organization to support.

Once you've designated your charity, use smile.amazon.com for all your purchases. **Products and prices on the AmazonSmile site are identical to those found on Amazon.com.** For more information about the AmazonSmile program, go to <http://smile.amazon.com/about>.



It is easy to donate to the Circles of Giving at:
<https://acnl.memberclicks.net/donate>

Upcoming ACNL Webinars:

Lifelong Learning: The Journey to Your Next Degree

Wednesday, September 12, 2018; 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (Pacific Time)

Contemplating your next degree? Encouraging your staff members to return to school? Learn about the many options available in choosing the right degree and program to meet the individual's needs. Three of ACNL's education partners will provide you with valuable information about these opportunities, including:

- Institutional support for students to ensure success
- Navigating online education
- Financial considerations and options to fund your next degree
- Tips for success

[Register for this Webinar](#)

HAIs - 360 Degrees: Continuing the Drive to Zero Harm

Tuesday, September 18, 2018; 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. (Pacific Time)

This informative webinar explores the latest developments, innovations and best practices in preventing healthcare acquired infections (HAI) at the state, health care system and individual facility levels.

Presenters:

Shelley O. Johnson, DNP, MHA, RN, CENP, CNL
Director, Critical Care Services
NorthBay Healthcare

Roy Boukidjian MSN, PHN, CIC, NE-BC
System Director, Infection Prevention
Dignity Health

Alisa Ritea, BSN, RN *AND*
Sarah Turkel, MS, MPH, MT(ASCP)
Clinical Improvement Advisor/Infection Preventionists
Health Services Advisory Group / Hospital Innovation
Improvement Network

[Register for this Webinar](#)

View Recordings of Recent Webinars

Please Note: to access these recordings, you will be prompted to log onto the ACNL website.

High Reliability Our Progress in Achieving Healing Without Harm

[Access Recording and Handouts for This Webinar](#)

The Nursing Workforce: Winning Millennials' Loyalty

[Access Recording and Handouts for This Webinar](#)

[Visit ACNL's Webinar Library](#)

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ACNL Regional Meetings: *Harnessing the Winds of Change*

Don't miss these opportunities to engage in important conversations, network with colleagues, participate in educational sessions and receive continuing education credit.

The Member Experience Committee (MEC) invites members, chapter members, non-members and pre-licensure students to the 2018 ACNL Regional Meetings. These 1-day programs will engage nurse leaders in important conversations, while also providing education and networking opportunities.

South Regional Meeting

September 14, 2018
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
LAC & USC Medical Center
Auditorium 1642
1200 North State Street
Los Angeles, CA

[Informational Flyer](#)

[Register Online](#)

San Diego Regional Meeting & Legislative Event

September 28, 2018
9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Sharp Spectrum - Auditorium
8695 Spectrum Center Blvd.
San Diego, CA

[Informational Flyer](#)

[Register Online](#)

Upcoming Foundation for Leadership Excellence Course

ACNL's *Foundation for Leadership Excellence Course* is a five-day intensive to help emerging nurse leaders develop long-lasting, effective leadership skills. Whether it's human resource issues, customer-service concerns, implementation of quality and patient safety initiatives, budget analysis, cost-saving mandates or building your influence as a leader, you will gain new perspectives and solutions for the difficult challenges you face daily.

Next Foundation Course:

November 12-16, 2018

Embassy Suites - Anaheim South
11767 Harbor Blvd, Garden Grove, CA

[Information and Online Registration](#)



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