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BRN Appoints New Executive Officer

The California Board of Registered Nursing announces the appointment of Dr. Joseph Morris as its new Executive Officer, effective July 11, 2016. Dr. Morris replaces Louise Bailey who is retiring July 10, 2016.

With more than 20 years of experience, Dr. Morris' diverse background in nursing includes scholarship, clinical practice and administration. He has held several prominent leadership roles in academia – most recently Associate Dean of Nursing and Allied Health at Mt. San Jacinto College (MSJC). Prior to joining MSJC, Dr. Morris served as Director of Nursing and Allied Health Programs at Victor Valley College.

Dr. Morris has earned several professional degrees and certifications, including a Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Post-Masters of Science in Gerontology as a Nurse Practitioner, and a Post-Masters Geriatric Clinical Nurse Specialist Certification all from the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor. Currently pursuing a post-Masters Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner degree from Azusa Pacific University, Dr. Morris obtained his PhD in Nursing Science with an emphasis on Alzheimer's disease and bio-behavior from the University of California, Los Angeles.

“ACNL congratulates Dr. Morris on his appointment as BRN Executive Officer. We look forward to collaborating with him to advance professional nursing practice in California,” said ACNL CEO Patricia McFarland.

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Soaring to New Heights...Staying Connected

August 19, 2016

West Coast University – La Palma Campus
2411 W. La Palma Avenue in Anaheim

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

The Member Experience Committee (MEC) is presenting their first regional program for ACNL colleagues and chapter members to engage nurse leaders at the regional level in important conversations, while providing education and networking opportunities. MEC is planning to replicate this regional meeting format in other California locations over the next 12 months.

President Bev Quaye will discuss the work of ACNL, the impact we are making and opportunities to get involved. President-Elect Mary Wickman will lead a discussion on the Enhanced Nurse Compact and the implications if California joins the program. The day would not be complete without an overview on current legislative issues from BJ Bartleson, VP of Clinical Services at the California Hospital Association.

[Registration for Soaring to New Heights...Staying Connected](#)

Save a Life – Donate Blood Today!

Blood inventory down since Memorial Day

Frequent volunteer blood donors ensure that blood is ready (collected and tested) and available year-round wherever it is needed. Traditionally, summer is a challenging time for maintaining an optimal blood supply because high schools and colleges are on break, regular donors are vacationing, elective surgeries often increase, accidents are on the rise and normal blood needs continue.

This summer, the need for blood is greater than usual. More patients are using more blood components and requests from hospitals to meet patient demand have increased. Blood inventory is down since the Memorial Day holiday and continued summer shortages are anticipated.

Please encourage blood donation when possible. With only 38 percent of the population eligible to donate blood, it is more important than ever that those who can donate blood and blood components do so. Patients are counting on us!

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Voice Your Support *TODAY* for Senate Bill 323

SB 323, the nurse practitioner scope of practice bill, will be heard in the Assembly Business & Professions Committee on Tuesday, 6/28 at 9:30 a.m.

Senate Bill 323 (Hernandez) would enable California to join 21 other states and the District of Columbia as jurisdictions permitting nurse practitioners to practice to the full extent of their education, experience and expertise. SB 323 has been set for hearing by the Assembly Committee on Business and Professions on **Tuesday, June 28, 2016**. Failure to pass out of the committee during this hearing would mark the end of the line for this bill.

Our nurse practitioner colleagues and the California Association for Nurse Practitioners (CANP) are inviting us to utilize their online Action Center, which will enable you to send pre-written messages to legislators directly via email, Facebook and Twitter; or you can utilize the Action Center to compose and send your own message via any or all of these channels. Equally as effective is a call to an assembly member's office requesting support of SB 323. We have provided the Sacramento office numbers for members of the Assembly Business and Professions Committee, noting the targeted group.

[Express Your Support for SB 323 to Members of the Committee TODAY Using the CANP Online Action Center](#)

Members of Assembly Business & Professions Committee:

Rudy Salas (Chair)	916-319-2032	Target
Richard Bloom	916-319-2050	Target
Bill Dodd	916-319-2004	
Brian Dahle	916-319-2001	
Rocky Chavez	916-319-2076	
Bill Brough (V-chair)	916-319-2073	Target
Jimmy Gomez	916-319-2051	
Brian Jones	916-319-2071	
Chris Holden	916-319-2041	
Kevin Mullin	916-319-2022	
Nora Campos	916-319-2027	
Catherin Baker	916-319-2016	Target
Mike Gatto	916-319-2043	
Jim Wood	916-319-2002	Target

For more information about SB 323 visit the [CANP website](#).

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Nominations for ACNL Board of Directors Extended to June 24

Would you like to hone your leadership skills while advancing the work of ACNL and the nursing profession? Then consider running for a position on ACNL's 2017-2019 Board of Directors. There are five Board positions open – one for each of ACNL's four geographic regions as well as president-elect. The president-elect position is a three-year term and the remaining Board positions have two-year terms.

To be eligible to run for a position on the ACNL Board of Directors, you must be an active regular member of the organization. Candidates for president-elect must also be members of AONE; AONE membership is preferred for regional directors.

Use the link below to learn more about this outstanding leadership opportunity on the ACNL Board of Directors.

[2017 ACNL Nominations Packet](#)

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Soaring to New Heights as Nurse Leaders!

**February 5 – 8, 2017
at the Disneyland Hotel in Anaheim**



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