

The Power of Nurses: United in Purpose, Unmatched in Impact



As we conclude 2024, it's a time for reflection and anticipation. This past year has been transformative for the nursing profession, marked by significant milestones and a renewed commitment to our collective mission. As we prepare to enter 2025, the prospect of deeper collaboration and stronger connections within our community fills me with optimism.

A New Era: The Power of Nurses

In late 2024, the American Nurses Enterprise, encompassing the American Nurses Association (ANA), introduced a revitalized brand identity centered on "The Power of Nurses." This initiative underscores the profound impact nurses have on healthcare and serves as a rallying cry for unity and action within our profession. By connecting with the American Nurses Enterprise family, nurses amplify their influence, fostering a united force that drives lasting change across the healthcare landscape.

ANA-Michigan: Harnessing Collective Strength

At ANA-Michigan, we witness the power of nurses daily. Our association thrives thanks to the dedication of over fifty volunteer nurses who contribute their time, expertise, and passion across various committees. These diverse groups are instrumental in shaping our direction, from developing legislative priorities and

collaborating with partner organizations to organizing professional development opportunities for nurses statewide. Their unwavering commitment propels our mission forward, ensuring we meet the evolving needs of nurses at every career stage.

Empowered Leader Series 2025: Elevating Leadership

Looking ahead, we are excited to announce the Empowered Leader Series (ELS) for 2025. This seven-week virtual program is designed for nurses at all leadership levels across various practice areas. Participants will explore evidence-based practices with leadership experts and learn to apply practical strategies within their teams. The series offers opportunities for self-assessment and interactive group sessions focused on addressing critical healthcare topics. We encourage groups from the same organization to attend, fostering a collaborative learning environment.

Advocacy and Professional Development: Your Role in 2025

As we embark on this new year, I urge each of you to reflect on how you can harness your power as a nurse. ANA-Michigan is here to support your journey, whether you're aiming to advance your career, mentor the next generation, or advocate for the profession. Our upcoming events,

including the Empowered Leader Series and the 2025 ANA-Michigan Conference, offer valuable opportunities for professional development and networking.

A Call to Action: Embrace Your Power

In the spirit of our new brand identity, I encourage you to embrace your POWER, knowing that through our collective efforts, we can create a lasting impact on healthcare. Together, we will continue to support the growth and well-being of our fellow nurses, fostering a community united in purpose and unmatched in impact.

Here's to a year filled with purpose, collaboration, and the strength of community! ■

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