

Getting Involved with the Florida Nurses Association in 2025: Opportunities for Engagement and Impact

As a member of the Florida Nurses Association, you belong to a dynamic community of nursing professionals committed to advancing the profession and improving healthcare. 2025 brings an array of opportunities to engage with FNA's mission and make a meaningful impact on your career, your colleagues, and the nursing field as a whole. Here are some exciting ways to get involved:

Join or Renew Your Membership

- The first step to getting involved is ensuring your **membership is current**. Have you checked your membership status? If not, now is the perfect time to renew or join the FNA to access exclusive opportunities, events, and resources that help you grow as a nursing professional.

Participate in FNA Conferences and Events

- Attend FNA conferences like the Advocacy Days, Membership Assembly or the Research and Evidence-Based Practice Conference to network, gain new knowledge, and connect with fellow nurses.
- Sign up to serve as a **speaker or presenter** at these events, sharing your expertise and insights with colleagues.

Speak at FNA Webinars or Regional Events

- Represent FNA by **speaking at an online webinar or regional event**. Share your knowledge, advocate for nursing priorities, and inspire peers in virtual and in-person forums. This is a great way to showcase your expertise and amplify your voice in the nursing community.



Contribute to Conference Planning

- Join a **Conference Planning Committee** to help shape impactful events like the Research Conference. Collaborate with peers to develop programs that inspire and educate.

Submit Abstracts for Presentation

- Showcase your work by submitting an **abstract** for presentation at the Research Conference or the Membership Assembly. Highlighting your research, evidence-based practices, or innovative approaches can advance your career and inspire others.

Become a Research, Scholarship, or Grant Reviewer

- Volunteer as a **research abstract reviewer** for the Research Conference to help select outstanding submissions for presentation.
- Assist in reviewing **recruitment notices for research studies**, ensuring compliance with FNA guidelines and supporting ethical and high-quality research.
- Support nursing students and colleagues by becoming a **scholarship or grant reviewer** for the Florida Nurses Foundation.

Engage in Special Interest Groups

- Participate in **monthly Special Interest Group (SIG) meetings**. These virtual gatherings focus on specialized topics, providing a platform for collaboration and professional growth.

Get Involved in Your Region

- Volunteer with your **Regional Leadership Council**, contributing to local activities and initiatives that address nursing priorities in your area.

Run for Office in 2025

- Make your voice heard and shape the future of FNA by running for a leadership position. As 2025 is an election year, this is your chance to represent your peers and drive change.

Be an Advocate for the Nursing Profession

- Make your voice heard by joining FNA's advocacy efforts. Participate in discussions on key nursing and healthcare policy issues, engage with legislators, and help shape the future of nursing in Florida.
- Opportunities include joining the **Legislative Action Team**, attending legislative events such as Advocacy Days, and supporting FNA's advocacy campaigns.
- Advocacy is a powerful way to ensure that nurses' perspectives and expertise influence healthcare decisions at the local, state, and national levels.

Why Get Involved?

Engaging with FNA not only supports the nursing profession but also enhances your personal and professional growth. These opportunities allow you to:

- Build leadership skills
- Expand your professional network
- Contribute to the advancement of nursing practice
- Influence the future of healthcare in Florida

How to Get Started

Ready to make an impact? Start by checking your **membership status** at the FNA website. Then explore the many opportunities to participate and contribute. Your involvement ensures that the voice of nursing remains strong and united.

Together, we can continue to advance the nursing profession and create a healthier future for all. Join us in making 2025 a year of action, advocacy, and achievement!

Questions about these opportunities? Email Kaitlin Jordan, Director of Member Programs at kjordan@floridanurse.org. ■