

# Mississippi Nurses Association

## MNA District 7 Annual Report

October 2018

### Membership:

Current membership- 181

### Board Meetings:

Board solicited input from members on 2018-2019 topics for presentation and community service projects. Board committed to awarding CE credit at majority of district meetings with a light meal provided. Continue to alternate days Tuesdays & Thursdays. We will continue to keep members updated through our Facebook page and newsletter.

Used this input to set up presentations on Generational Differences in Workforce, Nursing Informatics, Mental Health Issues, Palliative Care and Avoiding Violence against Health Care Workers.

Used this input to identify community service projects for 2018-2019 that include: Kids Hub Child Advocacy Center; Edwards Street Food Pantry; Fieldhouse for the Homeless, Walk to End Alzheimer's, NAMI walk and Edwards Street Fellowship Health Clinic a free clinic for uninsured or underinsured in our area.

### District meetings:

- We have had eight meetings from August 2017-May 2018 and awarded 1 contact hour at 5 of these meetings.
- Hosted our fourth annual Legislative Update presented by Teresa Malone on December 12, 2017 and had great attendance from our local legislators and great discussion between members and legislators.
- Hosted our fourth annual Heart & Sole SUPERHERO Fun Run/Walk February 24, 2018. We sold Tshirts for event also designed by DNA 7 member Shenika Russell. We were able to donate \$550 to Fellowship Health Clinic.



- Annual meeting was held May 15, 2018 for new officer induction and review/approval of bylaws.

- **Community Service:**

- Provided snacks for Walk to End Alzheimer's held September 2017
- Collect food donations for Homes of Hope for Children September 2017
- Served breakfast at Fieldhouse for the Homeless October 7, 2017
- Collected medical and office supplies for Fellowship Health Clinic March 2018
- Collected individual snacks and teddy bears for Kids Hub January 2018
- Raised \$550 donation from Heart & Sole to benefit Fellowship Health Clinic

**Upcoming events:**

- Breakfast at Fieldhouse for the Homeless October 12, 2018
- District meetings are scheduled through May 2019
- Will hold 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Heart & Sole 5K Run/Walk in February 2019

Submitted By: Linda Holmes, MSN, RN-BC MNA District 7 President 2018-2020

**Mississippi Nurses Association**  
**District 13 Accomplishments and Goals**  
**2018-2019**

**Accomplishments, 2017-18:**

- **Completion of bylaws**
- **General meetings with CEU offerings which resulted in increased attendance**
- **Rotating general meetings at area hospitals**
- **Started a Student Nursing Scholarship from each nursing school in District 13. A graduating nurse chosen by their Student Nursing Assoc. Instructor, once passing nursing boards, will receive one year of membership to MNA.**
- **Charitable projects**
  - **Donations of personal items and canned goods to Stewpot Community Services at Christmas, 2017**
  - **Blood pressure and BMI screening held at the Stewpot Community Services Teen Center this summer**
- **Board and other members attended the MNA Legislative Reception in January, 2018**

**Goals, 2018-19:**

- **Continue Student Nursing Scholarship**
- **Continue to work toward increasing attendance and offering more CEU programs**
- **Establish a presence in every county represented by D-13**
- **Complete Mission statement and Objectives from D-13**
- **Increase social media presence**
- **Implement a Nurse Spotlited in the District nominated through members of the district.**
- **Honor our district nurses during Nurses' Week**

## District 16

District 16 members have worked to build collaborations with various entities within the community. Some of the special collaborations this year include:

- MNA District 16 and Eliza Pillars Nursing Organization – MNA speakers joined other community presenters at the Annual Health Fair and Educational Forum held in March 2018 for the Lauderdale County community.

Based on survey responses from attendees at the previous Annual Health Fair, topics were added and presented at the 2018 meeting. Some of these newer and popular topics added were: Cyberbullying, Human Trafficking, CARE for the Caregiver, and History and Benefits of Essential Oils.

- In October MNA District 16 and Eliza Pillars Nursing Organization partners with the American Cancer Society to provide educational workshops on Breast Cancer Awareness for the Church of God Regional Community.

Individual District 16 members have been actively involved in the following volunteer efforts: American Cancer Society, Anderson Cancer Benevolent program, Cancer Society Relay for Life, Mississippi Diabetes Walk, Breast Cancer Awareness, Prostate Cancer and Skin Cancer Screenings, Great American Smoke Out, Eliza Pillars Nursing Organization Health Fair, Meridian Free Healthcare Clinic, Love's Kitchen, Mississippi State Games, Special Olympics, Habitat for Humanity, March of Dimes, United Way, Alzheimer's Walk, Local Food Pantries, and state and local school and church activities.

The challenge for District 16 is growing and maintaining membership in the fast paced and ever changing healthcare environment. Our goal is to continue to participate in efforts that provide and support a positive image for MNA in our community and surrounding areas.

Submitted by: Linda Todd, President District 16

## MNA District 18 President's Report

### Meetings

February 1, 2018

1. Discussed open secretary position, elections in May. Alena Lester does plan to run for President position in May, she is now serving as interim.
2. Discuss future meetings: potential speakers and meeting dates. Alena Lester suggested Dr. Macias, foot and ankle specialist and Dr. Hall, spine surgeon. Set second meeting date of May 7<sup>th</sup> with 1 hour CEU offering. Plan to celebrate Nurses' Week at this May meeting.
3. Community service opportunities: We will continue to keep the donation food pantry stocked in Columbus and plan to participate in Shoe drive for mission trip to Kenya by local nurses, and possible Casserole Kitchen in Starkville.

March 29, 2018

1. 14 attendees
2. Meeting called to order. Current treasurer's report reviewed. Plans for Nurse's Week celebration and charity drives introduced to members. We also plan to participate in MNF Wishes and Kisses drive, as well, as donate to Sheila Adams, Dean of College of Nursing and Health Sciences retirement bench.
3. Dr. David Macias, foot and ankle surgeon, offered 1-hour CEU presentation on common foot and ankle issues in primary care. He utilized power point, audience participation, and case studies.

May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018:

1. Nurses Celebration! Door prizes of beach bags, towel, and tumbler awards to two members.
2. We had two new members joined our district: Cassie Austin and Foley Graham
3. Shelly Parker was elected by majority vote as Secretary of District 18 until next election term.
4. Interim President, Alena Lester, was elected by majority as President of District 18 until next election term.
5. Treasurer's report: We raised 115.00 for the MNF Wishes and Kisses fund raiser. We raised and donated 80.00 to Dr. Sheila Adams retirement bench.
6. Dr. Justin Hall, Spine Surgeon, presented on Anatomy and Common Spine Conditions for a 1-hour CEU offering. He utilized power point, case studies and a held a question and answer session afterwards.
7. Next meeting date set for September to elect District 18 delegates for Annual HOD in October.

September 4, 2018

1. Introduced new members and attendees to MNA membership, benefits, and annual conference
2. Reviewed charity drives and speakers for November and future events
3. Elected delegates for MNA Annual conference in October

Goals:

1. Increase membership through transparency and consistent meetings.
2. Improve CEU and conference attendance through greater coordination and participation in meetings by planning for advancing year and encouraging all members to attend district meeting as well as conferences and CEU events. Continue to send email blasts for announcements of meetings and events.
3. Increase number and quality of CEU events offered in our district through speaker recruitment.
4. Increase viability with greater activity in the community, such as with charity drives, voluntary community service, educational presentations, and fund raisers.

Respectfully submitted,

Alena Lester, District 18 President



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**Nursing Education Report to MNA House of Delegates - October 24, 2018**

I. Regulatory Authority for Nursing Education Programs

According to state statute (Miss. Code Ann. §37-129-1), the Board of Trustees is empowered with the regulatory authority of Mississippi nursing degree programs which includes (1) annual program approval/accreditation, and (2) new program approval/accreditation.

II. Accreditation

a. Standards

*Mississippi Nursing Degree Programs Accreditation Standards* (July 2017) are available from [http://www.mississippi.edu/nursing/downloads/nursing\\_standards\\_2017.pdf](http://www.mississippi.edu/nursing/downloads/nursing_standards_2017.pdf) and *Mississippi Nursing Degree Programs Accreditation Standards Procedure Manual* (July 2017) available from [http://www.mississippi.edu/nursing/downloads/procedure\\_manual\\_2017.pdf](http://www.mississippi.edu/nursing/downloads/procedure_manual_2017.pdf)

b. National Accreditation

National nursing accreditation is required as part of the state approval/accreditation process. National nursing accrediting organizations include: Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) and Commission on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia Education Programs (COA).

III. Annual Report for Mississippi Nursing Degree Programs

The *Annual Report for Mississippi Nursing Degree Programs* (2017) and accreditation status of schools of nursing (2018) are available on the IHL Nursing Education website from <http://www.mississippi.edu/nursing>.

a. Types of Nursing Programs:

17 associate degree programs  
8 baccalaureate degree programs  
6 master's degree programs  
5 doctoral programs: DSU-DNP, MUW-DNP, UMMC-DNP & PhD, USM-DNP & PhD, & WCU-PhD

b. Types of Institutions with Registered Nursing Programs:

5 Public Universities  
3 Private University/College  
15 Community Colleges

c. 2017 Nursing Report Data

- Admissions 2016/2017 – 4,001
- Enrollment Fall 2017 – 5,952
- Graduates 2016/2017 – 2,714

IV. Nursing Education Loan/Scholarship Program (NELP)

- BSN, RN-BSN, RN-MSN, MSN, DNP, PhD & Nursing Teacher Stipend (MSN; DNP; PhD)
- NELP information <https://riseupms.com/state-aid/>; 1-800-327-2980 (toll-free) or 601-432-6997
- 2018-2019 Academic Year - No scholarship awards due to lack of legislative funding.

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