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President's Message

The mission of Texas Nurses Association, District 9 (TNA D9) "is an organization that strives to provide forums for the exchange of ideas, viewpoints, education and dissemination of information about professional nursing and health-related legislation." The mission is in alignment with the mission of TNA, "Empowering Texas Nurses to advance the profession."

To achieve this mission, TNA D9 encourages members to engage in various local and state events. TNA D9 has the largest membership in Texas. The current membership totals more than 3000. Our membership is extraordinary which means that TNA D9 can accomplish significant goals.

Engagement is only possible through the active participation of each member at TNA and TNA D9 events. TNA D9 holds monthly board meetings for board members. District meetings are held throughout the year. The district meetings are open to all registered nurses and student nurses.

TNA D9 hosted our annual professional education day, Nursing Documentation: Transforming Data to Improve Nurse and Patient Outcomes, September 6, 2019 at the University of Houston Clear Lake campus. The successful event featured speakers selected based on their expertise. Nurses who attended this presentation received 7.08 Continuing Nursing Education (CNE) contact hours.

Texas Nurses District 9 Foundation Nursing Celebration Gala is the longest running Nursing Gala and the largest fundraiser of the Foundation to provide scholarships and research grants to support scholarship in nursing. At Celebration, twenty outstanding nurses, nominated by their peers, will be recognized for their contributions and excellence in nursing. Money to support these activities is procured through sponsors, donors, the silent auction, and generous members. This year, Brooke Baugh of the Wolford Group is serving as a consultant to help ensure the 2019 Nursing Celebration is a success. Based on survey results, plans are underway in preparation for Nursing Celebration 2020.

To stay informed and engaged members are encouraged to visit the TNA D9 website, read the Advocate, the official electronic newsletter of TNA D9, and follow us on our social media channels: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn. In addition, check the TNA website for upcoming events such as 2020 Nurse Day at the Hill and House of Delegates.

As the TNA D9 President, my goal is to instill a sense of excitement about TNA D9 to ensure value in membership. I ask for your support to make 2019-2020 the new standard for member engagement through participation.



Engagement is contagious!

Juliana J Brixey, PhD, MPH, MSN, RN

NURSING CELEBRATION AWARDEES

President's Award Recipient

Sandra Chaveleh, Elsevier

20 Outstanding Nurses of 2019

Deven Barriault, Harris Health System
Ninotchka Brydges, UT MD Anderson Cancer Center
Amy Calvin, Cizik School of Nursing at UTHealth
Alison Gardner, Houston Baptist University
Amanda Garey, Texas Children's Hospital
Danya Garner, UT MD Anderson Cancer Center
Elizabeth Greenlee, Harris Health System
Erica Hall, Oncology Consultants, P.A.
Candice Herman, Baylor St. Luke's Medical Center
Maureen Lall, Houston Methodist Sugar Land Hospital
Katherine Marr, Memorial Hermann Katy Hospital
Ebony Mitchell, Houston Methodist Hospital / Memorial Hermann Hospital -TMC
Edtrina Moss, Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center / UH at Sugar Land College of Nursing
LanAnh Nguyen, MD Anderson Physicians Network
Marco Ollervides, Memorial Hermann Northeast Hospital
Omobola Oyeleye, Cizik School of Nursing at UTHealth
Pamela Russell, Harris Health System
Juan Sanchez, Jr., Memorial Hermann Greater Heights Hospital
Lisa Thomas, Cizik School of Nursing at UTHealth
Jacqueline Ward, Texas Children's Hospital

Donna Wooten Scholarship Recipient

Joy Risinger

Associate Degree in Nursing, Alvin Community College

D9 Sabina Fritsch Scholarship Recipient

Farah Buck

Doctor of Nursing Practice, University of St. Thomas

D9 Scholarship Recipient

Candice Polanco

Bachelor of Science in Nursing, University of Houston At Sugar Land

D9 Research Grant Recipient

Brandi Showalter

Title of Research Project: Moral Distress in Clinical Research Nurses
Texas Woman's University



2019 Meetings & Programs

Attendance at board meetings is limited.
Pre-registration is necessary at our website,
www.tnadistrict9.com, click EVENTS

Meetings subject to change – contact D9 office
to verify.

Tuesday, November 5, 2019	Board Meeting, TNA D9 Office, 5:30 p.m.
Thursday, November 14, 2019	Nursing Celebration, Westin Galleria Houston Hotel, 6:00 p.m. Silent Auction, 7:00 p.m. Dinner and Program, register at https://www.betterunite.com/TexasNursesDistrict9Foundation-nursingcelebration2019
Tuesday, December 3, 2019	Board Meeting, TNA D9 Office, 5:30 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE

29TH ANNUAL
NURSING CELEBRATION
DISTRICT 9
THE BEST & BRIGHTEST
— 1991-2019 —
NOVEMBER 14, 2019

A Starry Night

Celebrate with us as we honor nurses, present scholarships and award research grants to the

BEST & BRIGHTEST

Thursday, November 14
Reception and Silent Auction at 6:00 p.m.
Dinner and Award Ceremony at 7:00 p.m.

Westin Galleria Houston
5060 West Alabama
Houston, Texas 77056

Semi-formal Attire to Formal Attire

TEXAS NURSES
ASSOCIATION
District 9



Kroger Community Rewards

Now you can link your Kroger digital account to our Texas Nurses District 9 Foundation number, **IV734**, and your purchases will create a donation into the Foundation! For more details, please email the D9 office at tna9@tnadistrict9.com



Randalls Good Neighbor Program

Link your Randalls Remarkable card to our number, **3460**, to help us raise operating funds!

29th ANNUAL NURSING CELEBRATION

Attention, all nurses and friends of nursing!

Mark your calendars for the 29th annual **Nursing Celebration**, hosted by the Texas Nurses Association, District 9, with proceeds benefitting the Texas Nurses District 9 Foundation, the public charity formed by the Texas Nurses Association, District 9.

Nursing Celebration is scheduled for **Thursday, November 14, 2019**, at the Westin Galleria Houston, 5060 West Alabama, Houston, Texas 77056. Reception and silent auction begins at 6:00 p.m., with dinner and award ceremony at 7:00 p.m. Corporate sponsorships are available.

Register at

<https://www.betterunite.com/TexasNursesDistrict9Foundation-nursingcelebration2019>

Twenty Outstanding Nurses will be honored at this event. The President's Award will be given to a nurse advocate and leader in nursing. Additionally, nursing scholarships and research grants will be presented to deserving nurses and nursing students.

For more information, contact Melanie Truong at the TNA District 9 office, 713-523-3619 or email at tna9@tnadistrict9.com.

If unable to attend this splendid gala, monetary contributions and/or donations to the silent auction would be greatly appreciated and would benefit nursing scholarships and grant funding for Nursing Celebration 2020.

About Texas Nurses District 9 Foundation

The Texas Nurses District 9 Foundation was founded in 2009 to ensure the continuation of Houston area nurses and nursing students' scholarship and research awards.

Texas Nurses Association, D9

Important Details

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Mission

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Vision

Texas
Nurses
Advancing
eD9ucation and
Advocacy through
Collaboration and
Teamwork

Goal

Our primary goal is to: Ensure that professional registered nurses have opportunities to collaborate, learn about and impact the professional nursing environment.

TNA D9 uses email as our primary way to contact members so please check your spam/junk folders frequently.