

FANNP NEWS



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The Publication of the Florida Association of Neonatal Nurse Practitioners



Submitted by Paula Timoney, DNP, APRN, NNP-BC

Highlights from Florida Coalition of Advanced Practice Nurses

Mission Statement: The mission of the coalition is to promote innovative solutions for improved access to cost effective, quality care by advanced practice registered nurses.

FANNP Board members, Paula Timoney and Patrick McRae attended the April 27th meeting. The Strategic Planning Meeting was held in October 2023 during the FANNP Conference, so they were unable to participate, but it was reported that the meeting went well. All felt that the meeting was effective in team building with the continued focus of “One Voice.” The next Strategic Planning Meeting is in October 2024.

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Celebrating 35 Years of Neonatal Education Excellence



FANNP Leadership and the Conference Planning Committee are hard at work to bring you a fun conference with a wide variety of topics for learning. Enjoy the beach while you update your professional practice knowledge base or review for certification examinations.

Gayla Kaye-Steed and Christa Smith are planning a ‘Boogie Wonderland’ Beach Party with a 70s Disco Night. Get ready to shake your groove thing and ‘Do the Hustle’ on the beach with a night of far-out fun and dancing under the disco ball! Wear your funk-iest 70s disco attire and hang with your friends, family, and colleagues as we flash back to the 70s. A groovy time is guaranteed!



Looking for employment? Harry Vannus has been in contact with sponsors for the exhibit and snack hall. There will be recruiters for employment opportunities and neonatal product representatives will be showcasing their newest wares.

Jennifer Humphries and Terri Marin are accepting abstracts for the Poster Session until July 15, 2024.

We encourage everyone to share their unit’s clinical excellence and consider presenting a poster. The “Bob Rogers Poster Awards” will be given to the top three APN students presenting at the Poster Session.

As part of the 35th Anniversary Celebration, Diane McNerney has been busy shopping for prizes and gifts to be given out to participants during the conference.

FANNP Conference 2024 will have an Advanced Track, Review Track, and multiple options for attendance:

- Limited on-site attendance.
- Live-stream virtual content for those unable to travel or wishing to stream from home.
- After conference “On-Demand” Library to view sessions for review or CEU credits.
- Whether you are on-site or live-streaming, you will be able to access the on-demand feature after the conference is over to access the content you didn’t attend during the live event, with the possibility of almost double the CEU’s!

Jacqui Hoffman, Colleen Moss, and Jessica Jones have curated an excellent panel of speakers and topics of interest to experienced advanced practice providers and students.

A few teasers include:

- Controversies in Neonatal

SEE “CONFERENCE” on page 4

Letter from the President

Hello FANNP Members! Summer is here! I am ready for the warmer weather to stay for a while. My family always looks forward to the summer each year so that we can go to the beach. One of the things I love about attending the FANNP conference is that it extends my summer just a bit longer. I'd love to see you join us there this year! The 35th National Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Symposium: Clinical Update and Review is scheduled for October 15-19, 2024, in beautiful Clearwater Beach, Florida. The Planning Committee is working diligently to prepare for another great conference this year! Be on the lookout for brochures as we finalize the details. It will be the organization's 35th anniversary, and the caliber of speakers is incredible. For the seasoned NNPs, we have confirmed some incredible speakers to refresh and enrich your practice. For those of you that will be graduating from your respective NNP programs we are planning a fabulous symposium that will



Jennifer Humphries

celebrate your success and prepare you well for the NCC examination.

FANNP has many opportunities to assist you in achieving your career goals. There is scholarship money available for anyone who is attending or has attended courses in an NNP program. The call for poster and podium presentation abstracts has been disseminated and will remain open until July 15th. Providing a podium presentation or poster is an excellent way to display your scholarly work, network, and build your career. We are

excited about our new Poster Session Grant Fund honoring Robert "Bob" Rogers. We will be judging posters submitted by students and award 1st, 2nd, and 3rd placed winners to primary authors that meet criteria. Additionally, there are research grant funds available at any time throughout the year.

You may also be interested in building your career by getting involved with FANNP. We invite you to get to know FANNP more extensively. We have numerous volunteer opportunities and are happy to welcome your talents and skills.

I cannot wait to see you this October as we network, fellowship, and expand our knowledge. FANNP has been a huge impact on my career as a NNP. I hope you come and explore the opportunities for you!

*Jennifer Humphries, DNP,
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President, FANNP
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FANNP Online

Our FANNP.org website is getting a fresh, streamlined look, making it easier for you to access important information like membership, conference information, preceptor repository, archived newsletters, and more! Head on over and check us out!

FANNP Preceptor Repository

As part of FANNP's commitment to supporting NNP students, we recently launched a new preceptor repository as an additional resource for members to connect students with potential volunteer preceptors throughout the country. As the repository grows, we hope to make it easier for students to complete their many clinical training hours, as well as create potential opportunities for employment after graduation. Please consider volunteering as a NNP preceptor or connecting with our growing database of preceptors as a student by scanning the QR code!



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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FANNP Wants You!

This is an election year and positions are open for the FANNP Board of Directors (BOD)! The term of office is January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2026. All positions are a two-year commitment except for President-Elect. Responsibilities include attendance at BOD meetings, participation at the sponsored FANNP Symposium, and participation on established committees.

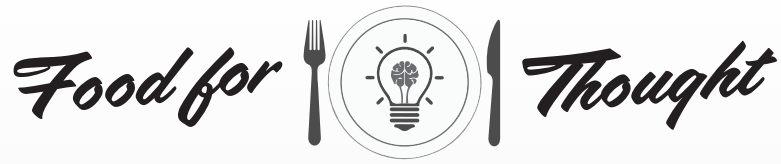
Available positions:

President-Elect*: Acts as President in their absence as designated, Chairs the Bylaws Committee, progresses to presidency upon completion of one-year term, and continues as Past-President following completion of two-year presidency term (four-year commitment).

Secretary*: Records minutes of all meetings, gives notice of all meetings, keeps bylaws and membership records, sends email blasts and Chairs the Communication Committee.

Treasurer*: Has charge and full knowledge of all Association funds, renders statement of financial condition of the

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Each year graduating UVA NNP students are asked what advice they would give to those coming behind them. Here is one of the submissions. (Barbara Reyna).

“Advancing as an NNP: Lifelong Learning, Clinical Mastery, and Compassionate Care”

*Sydney Stryker MSN, BSN, RNC-NIC, C-ELBW, C-NNIC, RNC-LRN
UVA School of Nursing, NNP Class of 2024*

- 1. Embrace Lifelong Learning:** The field of neonatology is constantly evolving with new research, technologies, and best practices. Stay curious and committed to lifelong learning by actively seeking out opportunities for continuing education, attending conferences, and staying updated on the latest evidence-based guidelines and advancements in neonatal care.
- 2. Develop Strong Clinical Skills:** Building a solid foundation of clinical skills is essential for providing high-quality care to neonatal patients. Take advantage of clinical rotations, preceptorship opportunities, and hands-on experiences to hone your assessment, diagnostic, and management skills in various neonatal care settings.
- 3. Prioritize Collaboration and Communication:** Neonatal care is inherently interdisciplinary, requiring effective collaboration and communication among healthcare team members. Cultivate strong communication skills, both verbal and written, and foster collaborative relationships with physicians, nurses, respiratory therapists, and other members of the health-care team to optimize patient outcomes.
- 4. Practice Self-Care and Resilience:** Working in neonatal care can be emotionally and physically demanding, so prioritize self-care and resilience to prevent burnout and maintain well-being. Develop healthy coping strategies, establish work-life balance, seek support from peers and mentors, and recognize the importance of self-care in sustaining your passion and resilience in the field.
- 5. Advocate for Patients and Families:** As NNPs, you will serve as advocates for your patients and their families, ensuring that their voices are heard, and their needs are met. Take the time to listen actively, provide education and support, and empower families to actively participate in the care of their infants.
- 6. Stay Humble and Open-Minded:** Recognize that neonatal care is complex, and there is always more to learn. Stay humble in your approach, acknowledge your limitations, and be open-minded to feedback, constructive criticism, and opportunities for growth and development.
- 7. Find Joy and Meaning in Your Work:** Despite the challenges and uncertainties, working in neonatal care can be incredibly rewarding. Find joy and meaning in the impact you have on the lives of your patients and their families, celebrate small victories, and remember the privilege of being part of the journey of a new life.

Remember that you are entering a noble and rewarding profession dedicated to the care of the most vulnerable patients and their families. Stay committed to excellence, compassion, and advocacy, and never underestimate the profound impact you can make in the lives of others as a neonatal nurse practitioner.

Food for Thought is a quarterly addition to the FANNP Newsletter, where we discuss trending topics of importance in the Neonatal Intensive Care setting. We would love to hear what you and your colleagues are discussing currently in your workplace, and greatly value your input. Please feel free to send any “trending topics” that you would like to hear more about to newsletter@fannp.org. In the ever-changing world of neonatology, remaining cognizant of current practices is of vital importance to furthering our education as providers!



Make your plans now and request time off to attend!

FANNP's 35th NATIONAL NEONATAL NURSE PRACTITIONER SYMPOSIUM: CLINICAL UPDATE AND REVIEW 2024

October 15 – 19, 2024

Sheraton Sand Key Resort, Clearwater Beach, Florida

Conference

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- Resuscitation
- Advanced Cardiovascular Pharmacology
- What the Fetus Can Teach Us about the Management of PPHN.
- To Err is Human ... Metabolic: Case Studies focusing on Inborn Errors of Metabolism
- In-person attendees will have the opportunity to participate/compete in a Neonatal Escape Room (will not be available for virtual attendees or in the on-demand library).
- Impacts of Fetal Drug Exposure
- Those attending the comprehensive neonatal certification review sessions will have fun and test their knowledge playing Neonatal Kahoot.
- Understanding Necrotizing Enterocolitis: Where are we 60 years later?

Make your plans to attend. The conference brochure and registration are available on the

website now.

The FANNP conference continues to be an educational bargain with the ability to earn up to 50.5 CEU credits! FANNP has NOT increased registration fees since 2021 and reduced registration fees are available for FANNP members and full-time students.

70s Disco Night at the FANNP Beach Party

Get ready to shake your groove thing at our very own 'Boogie Wonderland' at the annual FANNP Beach Party, on October 16, 7-10 pm!

'Do the Hustle' on down to the beach for a night of far-out fun and dancing under the stars (and disco ball)! Feel free to wear your funkier 70s disco attire (encouraged, not required) and hang with your friends, family, and colleagues as we flash back to the 70s. There will be delicious food,

dancing to the DJ, games, photo booth, and a cash bar. Bring your good vibes only, and we guarantee you'll have a groovy time! The event costs \$35 for conference registrants and \$40 for guests.

Sign up option available with conference registration.

Support the FANNP Bob Rogers Poster Session Grant Fund

FANNP established the Bob Rogers Grant Fund to award the top NNP students presenting at the Poster

Session. To help us raise funds for these awards we are selling FANNP shirts (and sweatshirts) and taking pre-orders with conference registration. Buy a shirt and show your support for FANNP!

If you are interested in a FANNP shirt and not planning to attend the conference, please contact conference@fannp.org for purchasing information.



EDUCATIONAL OFFERINGS

AANP Conference

June 25-30, 2024

Nashville, TN

<https://www.aanp.org/events/2024-aanp-national-conference>

GOLD Neonatal

Online Conference

June 6-August 30, 2024

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Conference

Academy of Neonatal Nursing (ANN)

Fall 2024 National Neonatal

Nurses Conference

September 4-7, 2024

New Orleans, LA

Abstracts due 7/1/24

National Association of Neonatal Nurses (NANN)

40th Annual Conference

September 18-20, 2024

Orlando, FL

The 35th FANNP

Neonatal Nurse

Practitioner

Symposium: Clinical

Update and Review

October 15-19, 2024

Sheraton Sand Key

Clearwater Beach, FL

www.fannp.org

Abstracts due 7/15/24

2024 Neonatal

Pharmacology

Conference

Medical College of South

Carolina

November 6-8, 2024

Charleston, SC

Miami

Neonatology

International

Conference

November 17-20, 2024

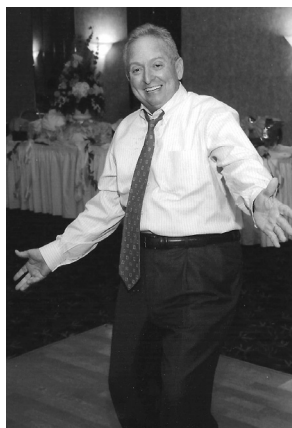
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FANNP Has Established the Robert “Bob” Rogers Poster Session Grant Fund

In February 2023 FANNP lost a good friend and supporter.

Jacqui Hoffman’s husband Bob Rogers was an honorary social host and greeter at FANNP Conferences. He attended our social gatherings and loved to meet student NNPs from all over the country to hear their stories. Bob would tell them jokes and offer words of encouragement.

At the time of his death, Bob honored FANNP and requested contributions be made to FANNP to support students attending the FANNP Conferences. FANNP has established a grant fund in his name to support NNP students presenting at or attending the Poster Session at our annual conference.



The Bob Rogers Grant Fund will help offset the cost of the poster session for students and will also help fund prizes for top presenters. Our first

Poster Session winners were announced at the 2023 Conference...congratulations!

The leadership of FANNP wants to continue to support and offer mentorship for our students and new presenters. FANNP mentors will review with students abstracts and posters as needed, and a Poster Workshop will be available on demand, entitled “Preparing Your Poster and Podium Presentation”.

Please consider sharing your talents with us and contributing to this fund using the link found on the FANNP website. Bob truly was “larger than life”!



Brag



Board



Congratulations to all new and upcoming GRADS! You did the hard thing! The sky’s the limit and we cannot wait to see what you achieve next, but now it’s time to celebrate your accomplishment and keep on shining. Don’t forget to post about your achievement on our social media sites...we love hearing of your success stories!

Huge congratulations also to Dr. Leslie Parker who has been named Associate Dean for Research and Scholarship at the

University of Florida College of Nursing. Dr. Parker has served in an interim role since Summer 2023. Dr. Parker has been an integral part of our FANNP Conference for many years and is well-loved by her students! Well done Dr. Parker!

Do you have a colleague, mentor, or student that you’d like to recognize for the Brag Board section of the newsletter? Or maybe you’re the one doing some amazing work in the neonatal realm! Brag about it! Please email newsletter@fannp.org to share these accomplishments.



FANNP Committees and Chairs

Below is a list of current committees within FANNP. As members, you are already an integral part of what makes FANNP such an amazing organization for rising and seasoned NNPs, and we welcome you in becoming even more involved within our organization. There are a multitude of ways in which you can participate on these various committees. Feel free to email contacts below if you are interested or find the people wearing the PINK BADGES at the FANNP Conference in October! Now is your time to SHINE!

Committee	Chair/Contact	Email
Bylaws	Colleen Moss	BOD@fannp.org
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b. Sponsorship/Exhibitor	Harry Vannus	sponsors@fannp.org
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Nominations	Colleen Moss	BOD@fannp.org
Research	Terri Marin	grants@fannp.org

Legislative

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FL Legislative News: Most bills died in committee. Note: many items were added to the Health Care Bill SPB 7016.

SPB 7016: Health Care.

Revising the purpose of the Dental Student Loan Repayment Program; requiring the Department of Health to implement the Dr. and Mrs. Alfonse and Kathleen Cinotti Health Care Screening and Services Grant Program for a specified purpose; providing requirements for birth centers designated as advanced birth centers with respect to operating procedures, staffing, and equipment; requiring advanced birth centers to enter into a written agreement with a blood bank for emergency blood bank services; authorizing certain psychiatric nurses to order emergency treatment of certain patients; creating the Training, Education, and Clinicals in Health (TEACH) Funding Program for a specified purpose; enacting the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact in this state, etc. 3/21/2024 *Approved by Governor.*

HB 63 and 410: Protection from Surgical Smoke.

Requiring hospitals & ambulatory surgical centers to adopt & implement policies requiring use of smoke evacuation systems during certain surgical procedures. Defining the terms “smoke evacuation system” and “surgical smoke”; requiring hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers to, by a specified date, adopt and implement policies requiring the use of smoke evacuation

systems during certain surgical procedures, etc. 3/11/2024 *Died in Fiscal Policy.*

SB 168: Congenital CMV Screenings.

Requiring certain hospitals to administer CMV screenings on newborns admitted to the hospital under specified circumstances; providing coverage under the Medicaid program for the screenings and any medically necessary follow-up reevaluations; requiring that newborns diagnosed with CMV be referred to a primary care physician for medical management, treatment, and follow-up services, etc. 5/10/2024 *Approved by Governor.*

HB 159: HIV Infection Prevention Drugs

Authorizes licensed pharmacists to screen for HIV exposure & order & dispense HIV infection prevention drugs in accordance with written supervisory protocol; requires Board of Pharmacy to adopt rules. Approved by Governor.

HB 201: Emergency Refills of Insulin and Insulin-related Supplies or Equipment.

Authorizes emergency refill of insulin & insulin-related supplies or equipment a specified number of times per year. *Approved by Governor.*

HB 241: Coverage for Skin Cancer Screenings.

Requires DMS to require contracted state group health insurance plans to provide coverage & payment for annual skin cancer screenings performed by specified persons without imposing any cost-sharing requirement; specifies requirement for & restriction on payments for such screenings.

4/5/2024 *Approved by Governor. 4/8/2024*

HB 257: Autonomous Practice by a CRNA.

Revises staff membership & clinical privileges for CRNAs; authorizes them to perform specified acts; revises practice requirements for an autonomous APNs & for Certified Nurse Midwives; authorizes autonomous APNs to perform certain acts; provides for expiration of Council on Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Autonomous Practice; authorizes certain APNs to participate in Medical Education Reimbursement & Loan Repayment Program. 3/11/2024 *Died in Healthcare Regulation Subcommittee.*

SB 810: Autonomous Practice by APNs.

Exempting certain certified APNs from specified medical direction requirements for clinical privileges in hospitals; revising the functions that certain CRNAs may perform without an established protocol; revising the scope of autonomous practice for certain APNs; providing for the future expiration of the Council on Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Autonomous Practice, etc. 3/11/2024 *Died in Health Policy.*

HB 771: Autonomous Practice for Certified Psychiatric Nurses Authorizes APNs who is certified as psychiatric nurse practitioner to engage in autonomous practice under certain circumstances. 3/11/2024 *Died in Healthcare Regulation Subcommittee.*

HB 935: Home Health Care

Services. Authorizes APNs & PAs to order or write prescriptions for certain Medicaid services. 5/10/2024 *Approved by Governor.*

HB 1295: Health Care Practitioner Titles and Abbreviations.

Specifies which titles & abbreviations health care practitioners may use in their advertisements, communications, & personal identification; prohibits health care practitioners from using deceptive or misleading terms or false representations in their advertisements; requires certain health care practitioners to prominently display copy of their license in conspicuous area of their practices; provides for denial of licensure & disciplinary action. 3/5/2024 *Laid on Table.*

SB 1512: Controlled Substances

Adding tianeptine to the list of Schedule I controlled substances, etc. 3/22/2024 *Approved by Governor*

SPB 7018: Health Care Innovation.

Creating the Health Care Innovation Council within the Department of Health for a specified purpose; requiring the council to submit annual reports to the Governor and the Legislature; requiring the department to administer a revolving loan program for applicants seeking to implement certain health care innovations in this state; authorizing the department to contract with a third party to administer the program, including loan servicing, and manage the revolving loan fund, etc. 3/21/2024 *Approved by Governor.*

American Association of Nurse Practitioners (AANP) Update:

- Elections are upcoming, nominations closed.
- Health Policy conference to be held in January 2025
- Three new Specialty Interest Groups (SIG) for members: Functional Medicine is one of interest. Other current SIGs include Entrepreneur, Health Equity and Diversity, Health Informatics and Telehealth, Interagency Government, and International.
- Florida Awards: NP -Wendy Paracka and Advocate-Allison Carvajal received the AANP Advocate State Award for Excellence. This award highlights efforts to advance the NP role. The AANP NP State Award for Excellence honors NPs for the lifesaving care they provide to patients and recognizes outstanding clinical quality.

- APRN Compact-AANP feels the latest version of the APRN Compact falls short, and while not opposed, is not endorsing the current version. AANP is calling for an improved version.
- Annual AANP Conference is June 25-30, 2024 in Nashville, TN.

CNMs- As above, SPB 7016 Health Care bill removed the requirement of a transfer agreement for autonomous midwives which is positive, but added the definition and operating policies of an Advanced Birth Center which is concerning.

FANNP encourages members to actively participate at the local and state levels to advocate for the profession and effect meaningful change.

References:

<https://aprnadvocacy.com/>

<https://www.aanp.org/membership/aanp-communities>

Nominate

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Association for all meetings, and Chairs the Finance Committee.

Member-At-Large* (4 positions): Serves on committees as assigned.

*Please see website for a complete description of position.

To be eligible to run for a position as a Member-At-Large (MAL), the NNP must be a voting or retired member in good standing with the association for a minimum of one year and without lapse in membership for more than 6 months immediately preceding the election. To be eligible to run for an officer position, the NNP must be a member in good standing of the association for a minimum of 2 years immediately preceding the election. Officer candidates will have served on the BOD or have served as an active

member on the FANNP's committees for a minimum of 2 years. Student members and associate members are ineligible to run for office.

Nominations are due by July 15, 2024. Send them to nominations@fannp.org. Ballots will be emailed to active members for voting by October 1, 2024. The voting window will be announced in the Fall edition of the FANNP newsletter. The voting window will close on Tuesday of the conference. The newly elected candidates will be announced at the FANNP Symposium Annual Member Brunch.

Please consider running for a position! We need your assistance to continue the important work of the FANNP!

*Thank you,
Jennifer Humphries,
DNP, APRN, NNP-BC
FANNP President,
Nominations Committee Chair*



The Kim Nolan Spirit Award... *In Memory and Honor of Kim Nolan*

The Kim Nolan Spirit Award is given annually to a NNP who exemplifies Kim's exuberance and "can-do" attitude in service to profession, community, and/or family. This award is a very prestigious honor! To read more about Kim visit www.fannp.org. The deadline for nominations is July 15, 2024. The winner is announced each year at the FANNP Annual Conference.

Calling for Research Proposals... FANNP Grants Available

Each year FANNP sets aside funds for the support of research projects. Applications for funding are reviewed by the Research Committee. The Research Committee makes recommendations to the Board of Directors on proposals received. Members of the Research Committee are appointed by the Board of Directors. The grant application period is rolling—there is no deadline for grant submission. Grants will be awarded within six weeks following submission, based on the Research committee and BOD decision.

For more information, please email Terri Marin, Research Chair at grants@fannp.org or visit www.fannp.org.





**FANNP's National Neonatal Nurse
Practitioner Symposium:
Clinical Update and Review, 2024**

**POSTER & PODIUM
PRESENTATION
CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS**

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE
July 15, 2024**

FANNP is seeking abstracts for poster and podium presentations for the annual FANNP's National Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Symposium on October 15th-19th, 2024. The Planning Committee invites submissions by members and non-members. Participation is open to health professionals whose specialty has a focus on the Neonatal Population (this includes but is not limited to NNPs, RNs, Clinical Nurse Specialists, & Neonatologists).

Those accepted will have the opportunity to participate in an online Podium and Poster Presentation Workshop. The workshop discusses the necessary elements for abstract development, the process for virtual poster development, how to prepare a virtual poster PowerPoint presentation and how to create an effective podium presentation. Consider sharing your knowledge and experience with others.

Through our Robert "Bob" Rogers grant fund, we will be awarding 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners to primary authors that meet criteria. Each poster presenter will be judged on presentation, professionalism, engagement and poster appearance. In order to be eligible for the award, the presenter must be a NNP student.

We invite colleagues to share their expertise on of the following categories:

- Original Research
- Innovations in Practice or Education
- Patient Safety
- Quality Improvement and Benchmarking Initiatives
- Case Studies
- Literature Review

**MORE INFORMATION IS
AVAILABLE NOW AT FANNP.ORG**



It's Time to Apply for a FANNP Scholarship

One plank of the FANNP mission is to support educational opportunities for neonatal nurse practitioners.

FANNP wants to help students pursuing a degree in neonatal health care and provides scholarships of \$1000 - \$2000. Scholarship monies can be used for tuition, books or any expenses incurred while in school.

Take advantage of these funds and don't leave education money on the table. Applications for the 2024 FANNP Scholarships will be accepted until September 15, 2024. Scholarships will be awarded at the Annual FANNP Business Meeting on October 17, 2024.

Educators, preceptors, and mentors encourage students to become FANNP members and apply for scholarships.

Please see the scholarship eligibility guidelines in the newsletter or on the FANNP website and contact scholarships@fannp.org for an application.



Eligibility Guidelines

1. Applicants must be FANNP members.
 - a. All voting members, student members and associate members are eligible.
 - b. Priority for scholarship awards will be given to voting members, followed by student members and then associate members.
 - c. Priority for scholarship awards will be based on length of membership and service to FANNP.
2. Applicants must be a licensed RN, APRN, NNP or equivalent.
 - a. Preference will be given to currently licensed NNPs working towards an advanced NNP degree.
3. Applicants must attend an educational program leading to a degree related to the health care field during the application period.
 - a. To be eligible for a 2024 Scholarship you must have attended classes sometime between Sept. 15, 2023 and Sept. 15, 2024).
 - b. An applicant may receive a maximum of two scholarship awards for each degree sought.
4. Applicants will provide a short article, case study, practice pointer, evidenced-based practice update or literature review to be published in the FANNP Newsletter.

**Contact scholarships@fannp.org
for an application.**

Pocket Notebook

Submitted by Sekinah Ajiboye, CRNP, NNP-BC

Patent Ductus Arteriosus

Definition

- A fetal vessel that allows oxygenated blood from the placenta to bypass fetal lungs and directs the blood for systemic perfusion in utero.
- It connects the descending aorta with the main pulmonary artery. As the newborn takes their first breath, pulmonary vascular resistance decreases, which increases pulmonary blood flow. This increases the partial pressure of oxygen in arterial blood which in turns causes constriction of the ductus arteriosus. (Gillam-Krakauer & Mahajan, 2023).
- The ductus arteriosus functionally closes in about 12-24 hours in term infants and completely closes around 2-3 weeks. The closure of the ductus arteriosus is delayed in the preterm infant and can be a source of morbidities in this population.

Pathophysiology

Due to the flow of blood from the aorta to the pulmonary artery, a PDA is associated with conditions including:

- Pulmonary Edema
- Pulmonary Hemorrhage
- Necrotizing Enterocolitis
- Bronchopulmonary dysplasia
- Hypotension
- Renal failure
- Congestive heart failure (Gillam-Krakauer & Mahajan, 2023)

Physical Exam Findings

- “Machinery” Murmur – most commonly continuous but can be systolic or holosystolic
- Tachycardia
- Bounding peripheral pulses
- Widened pulse pressure
- Hypoxia
- Respiratory distress

Imaging Findings

- Chest Xray: increased pulmonary vascular congestion
- Echocardiogram: PDA; if severe enough could cause left atrial and left ventricular enlargement

Treatment and Management

- Restricting the Total Fluid Limit to 110-130 mL/kg/day while providing adequate nutrition
- Increasing PEEP to decrease pulmonary edema
- Medical treatment:
 - o Acetaminophen: 15mg/kg/dose q6hrs for 3-8 days. Monitor Liver function.
 - o Ibuprofen: 5-10mg/kg q24hrs for 3 doses. Monitor urine output and renal function
 - o Indomethacin: 0.1-0.2mg/kg q12hrs for 3 doses. Monitor renal function
- Surgical ligation or transcatheter coil placement (if medical management fails)

Reference

Gillam-Krakauer, M., Mahajan, K. (2023). Patent Ductus Arteriosus. Pubmed: StatPearls Publishing. <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/books/NBK430758/>

FANNP on Social Media

Hello All,

Your social media platforms are seeing the fastest growth they have seen in a long time and I have all of you to thank for it. This Summer I hope to interview all the candidates that are running for Board of Director positions so you can put a name to the face when voting this Fall. I encourage anyone interested in running for a position to check out our new and improved FANNP.org website and look at requirements for running for a position. Speaking for me personally it has been a great experience and I encourage anyone who is at all interested to run for a position. Social media will also be focusing on a "Get out the Vote" campaign this Fall encouraging all eligible members to vote.

Please continue to follow us on Facebook, LinkedIn and Instagram, with our new YouTube channel coming soon! Thanks again for your support and keep hitting that like button.

Patrick McRae
Social Media Chair



2023 Conference Available as On-Demand Library

FANNP invites you to earn CEU credits and "attend" the 2023 Annual Conference through the On-Demand Library. You can view conference sessions and earn CEU credits at your convenience. You will have the opportunity to:

- Review current concepts, trends, and management practices appropriate for the care of the high-risk neonate.
- View audiovisual re-

cordings of the 2023 conference sessions.

- Access on-line handouts for download.
- Study and review for certification exams or maintain certification.
- **Earn up to 48.5 CEU credits.**

Register for the 2023 On-Demand Library until August 15, 2024. Audio-visual presentations and handouts available until September 15, 2024. Registration is available on the FANNP website.

Bring it On Answers (Questions on page 12)

1. C - A normal platelet count in a healthy newborn regardless of gestational age is $\geq 150,000$.
2. C - This infant has a pneumothorax and immediate intervention is needle thoracentesis while preparing for a chest tube insertion.
3. A - A deformation results from mechanical forces that mold part of the fetus over time. Examples are clubfeet and Potter syndrome.

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2024 FANNP Dates to Remember

- *Next Board Meeting by Zoom..... July 10 @3 pm EST
- FANNP GrantsOngoing
- Poster Presentation Abstracts.....July 15
- Call for Nominations DeadlineJuly 15
- Kim Nolan Spirit Award.....July 15
- World Neonatal Nurses Day August 15
- FANNP Scholarship.....September 15
- Conference On-Demand Library.....September 15
- FANNP Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Oct. 15-19
- Symposium: Clinical Update and Review
- Nurse Practitioner Week..... Nov. 10-17

*All members are invited to attend. Email request to receive a link to join to BOD@fannp.org.

Newsletter Submission Calendar

Edition	Month	Article Submission Deadline	Publish Date
Spring 2024		02/10/24	03/09/24
Summer 2024		05/11/24	06/08/24
Fall 2024		08/10/24	09/07/24
Winter 2024		11/09/24	12/07/24

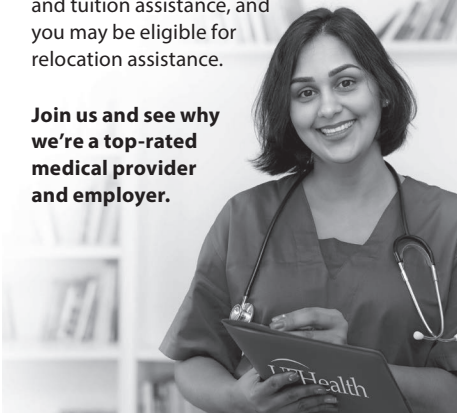
In addition to the core components of the newsletter, we would love to hear what you have to say! Please send in anything you would like to see added to the newsletter, whether it is an interesting article, a hot topic in the neonatal world, or even a shout out regarding a fellow FANNP member who is doing awesome things! We want to hear from you! Please submit following the above guidelines to newsletter@fannp.org.

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**Practice
Questions
to Prepare
for the NNP
Certification
Exam**

1. Baby C has the following laboratory values on DOB: WBC 6.8×10^3 , Hemoglobin 15.6, Hematocrit 47, Platelet count 79,000. Differential: 38% neutrophils, 3% bands, 4% lymphocytes, 3% eosinophils. The infant has:
 - a. neutropenia
 - b. pancytopenia
 - c. thrombocytopenia
2. A one-day old 29-week infant on bubble CPAP has a translucent glow when a fiberoptic light is placed against the chest wall. The best immediate action is:
 - a. Chest tube placement
 - b. Increasing the positive end expiratory pressure (PEEP)
 - c. Needle thoracentesis
3. On physical exam, a term infant with a prenatal history of oligohydramnios has a flattened face with unilateral lop ear. These physical exam findings are due to a:
 - a. deformation
 - b. disruption
 - c. dysplasia

Answers on page 10

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