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ARTICLES OF INTEREST

How Much Is a DNP Worth?

Two advanced practice nurses share their salary struggles after earning this degree.



BLS Adult Basic Life Support Algorithm





ORGANIZATIONAL UPDATE

Diversity, Inclusion, Acceptance, and Tolerance. These actions seem to be in short supply these days. What are we as nursing professionals prepared with a terminal practice degree doing to make the most of the challenges around us? Are we working together to improve outcomes? These are challenges that take a lifetime to address. The depth and talent of DNP prepared professionals can make a tremendous impact on the health care delivery system in practice, policy, administration, informatics, and of course improving clinical outcomes.

Prepare to present and attend this year's national DNP conference. The theme is

<u>Celebrating 10 Years:</u> <u>Diversity and Inclusion in Practice</u>

Please <u>submit your abstract</u> for consideration to present at this year's event. A great venue has been lined up at the Intercontinental Hotel in New Orleans. Submit you abstract, share this opportunity with a friend or colleague, and plan to be a part of this event September 13-15, 2017.



What Will It Mean if the ACA is Repealed?

By the time you read this article, Donald Trump will be the 45th President of the United States. One of his campaign promises was to repeal the Affordable Care Act (ACA) or "Obamacare". What will it mean if the ACA is repealed?

According to a report compiled by the Congressional Budget Office, approximately 18 million people will lose their health insurance in the next open enrollment period. However, it is important to note that this report was originally prepared in December, 2015 at the request of the Senate leaders of both parties. Although the CBO has been criticized in the past for inflated estimates, the fact remains that some people will lose their current health insurance coverage.

Insurance costs could also increase for some. The CBO reports that premiums would increase 20 to 25%. The CBO does acknowledge that the economic impact for employers, states, insurers, doctors, hospitals, and other healthcare providers are much less uncertain.

One positive aspect of the passage of the ACA was the removal of bias for pre-existing conditions. This means that insurance companies could not charge you more because you have a pre-existing condition. The ACA also meant that they could not charge women more than men. How would repeal of the ACA impact these two conditions? A study by the Kaiser Foundation found that 27% of the population under age 65 have a qualifying pre-existing condition. Implementation of the ACA meant that this percentage of the population couldn't be denied insurability because of their health. Luckily, both political parties have stated that they would like to keep this portion of the ACA.

Speaker of the House, Paul Ryan (R-WI), introduced "A Better Way" in June, 2016 which is the House Republican plan for universal healthcare coverage. President-elect Trump has not given specific details of his version of a new healthcare plan, but he does concede that the new plan replaces most aspects of the ACA. The "Better Way" promises more health plan choices at lower costs, continuation of nondiscrimination against pre-existing conditions, reduced bureaucracy to cutting edge medical treatments and interventions, and a stronger Medicare; nevertheless, the specifics have yet to be disclosed.

So what will it mean if the ACA is repealed? At this stage there are not any specific answers, only estimations. It is fair to say that, like anything in life, there are pros and cons to this issue and with careful forethought, there can be an amicable solution.



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2017 Tenth National Doctors of Nursing Practice Conference New Orleans



2017 Tenth National Doctors of Nursing Practice Conference: <u>New Orleans</u> *Celebrating 10 Years: Diversity & Inclusion in Practice*

Conference Objectives

Reflect the progress of DNP practice through the last decade,
 Explore the ways diversity contributes to strength and impact on health care outcomes,
 Highlight the ways DNP prepared professionals mitigate the impact of health care disparities, and,
 Discuss innovative and inclusive approaches to practice led by DNP prepared nursing professionals.

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For more information regarding contact hours, please call Stephen Campbell-O'Dell at 1-888-651-9160 option 2

16 CE's anticipated





CONVERSATIONS OVERHEARD IN THE DNP ONLNE COMMUNITY

<u>Collaborative Physicians</u> As a solo practitioner, the area doctors view me as a "threat" to their practices and are not willing to "help" me stay in practice.

DNP Group Projects for Capstone Anyone want to share their thoughts and concerns about going this route?

Should we be called "Dr"? I am getting my DNP next week and was just told I could not be called "Dr." within my multidisciplinary medical group because it would "confuse the patients".

Wisdom Alert! We are to empower, teach, and mentor our fellow nurses.

<u>Survival Tips after the Election</u> Many distressed people have been asking me what they can do when feeling bewildered, angry, and powerless.

DNP as Adjunct Faculty - Issues

Are others having issues and concerns as shared in this forum post?

DNP Groups of Interest:

Texas DNP Network

New England Organization of Doctors of Nursing Practice

California Organization of Doctors of Nursing Practice

Southeastern DNP

February Events:

Nursing Informatics Boot Camp

AACN CNL Summit

AACN Master's Education Conference

American Association of Nurse Anesthetists: Assembly of School Faculty

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JANUARY 2017 DNP, INC SURVEY RESULTS

January 2017 Survey Results: DNP Education

The January 2017 survey elicited responses regarding perceptions of the DNP educational experience. We hope that you find these results interesting.

Question 1: As a DNP student, I felt supported and encouraged by the faculty. 77% very much to absolutely, 23% somewhat to not at all

Question 2: As a DNP student, I had the opportunity to build long-lasting relationships with classmate peers that continue after graduation.

87% very much to absolutely, 13% somewhat to not at all

Question 3: The majority of the faculty in my program were DNP prepared. 64% very much to absolutely, 36% somewhat to not at all

Question 4: My DNP program excelled at preparing me to improve health care outcomes. 96% very much to absolutely, 4% somewhat to not at all

Question 5: My alma mater is one of the best programs in the country. 91% very much to absolutely, 9% somewhat to not at all

Survey results suggest that students are pleased and prepared with the DNP educational experience.

What do you think? Do these findings reflect your experiences?

Click **HERE** to take the February 2017 survey



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