

THE HIGHLIGHT
THE SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER
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**HERE'S THE SCOOP FROM
THE PRESIDENT**

Dear San Antonio Emergency Nurses Association Members,

It has been an honor to serve as your President and to work alongside such a dedicated and compassionate group of emergency nurses for QTR1,2026. Each of you plays an essential role in ensuring that our community receives the highest standard of emergency care, and your commitment does not go unnoticed.

As we look ahead to the coming months, our chapter remains focused on strengthening clinical excellence, expanding professional development opportunities, and fostering the supportive network that defines the San Antonio ENA. We have several initiatives underway—including expanded educational sessions, community outreach events, and new member engagement programs—that aim to empower you in your practice and advance the mission of our organization.

A strong chapter begins with strong member engagement. One of our key goals this year is to grow San Antonio ENA membership by expanding outreach, engaging new nurses entering the field, and re connecting with colleagues who may have stepped away. Each new member brings fresh perspectives and strengthens our ability to

SAENA 2026 Meetings

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

- April 14, 2026
- May 12, 2026
- June 9, 2026 Networking Event
- July 14, 2026
- August 11, 2026
- September – No meeting!
- October 13, 2026 Officer Elections
- November 10, 2026
- December 8, 2026 Holiday Dinner

****SAENA will host additional dinner meetings this year which will be open to members and non-members alike. We'd love to meet other ER nurses in the area to enjoy dinner, find out what's happening in their facilities while explaining the benefits of being an ENA member!****

Business Meetings are held in-person and via Zoom.

If your facility would like to host a SAENA Business meeting in 2026 contact: Dustin English at denglish@petersonhealth.com

Know someone who would like to present a 1-hour lecture at a SAENA meeting...contact Carol Twombly at cltwombly@aol.com

For meeting locations and Zoom access information go to:
www.sanantonioena.org/meetings/

advocate, educate, and lead within our community. I encourage everyone to invite a peer, share upcoming events, and help spread the word about the value ENA membership brings.

I encourage each of you to stay involved, whether through attending chapter meetings, participating in committees, or simply connecting with colleagues who may benefit from your experience and leadership. Your voice shapes our direction, and your participation fuels our growth.

I'm pleased to share several exciting updates, accomplishments, and priorities for the San Antonio ENA:

3 for Texas: Required Nursing Education Seminar – A Success!

On February 25, 2026, our chapter successfully hosted the 3 for Texas: Registered Nursing Education virtual seminar. We welcomed 34 registrants and provided 5.5 hours of continuing education. Thank you to everyone who participated and helped make this event impactful for emergency nurses across Texas.

Expanded CEN Review – Now Hybrid!

Due to growing interest and positive feedback, our CEN Review Course has been expanded to a hybrid format, scheduled for May 7th–8th, facilitated by Justin Milici. This flexible option supports more nurses as they prepare for certification.

2026 TxENA Scholarships – Now Open

We encourage all eligible members to apply for this year's TxENA Scholarships, now available at TxENA.org. These opportunities support advancement through degrees, certifications, and professional development.

TXENA Annual Awards – Accepting Nominations

The TXENA Annual Awards are open for nominations. Please consider recognizing a colleague who exemplifies leadership, excellence, and dedication to emergency nursing.

Imagemaker Nominations Now Open

The Imagemaker Award is accepting submissions. This recognition highlights individuals who elevate

What's Hot!

CEN Review Course

May 7 - 8, 2026

Presented by:

Justin Milici,

**MSN, RN, CEN, CPEN,
CPN, TCRN, CCRN, FAEN
Galen College of Nursing**

Auditorium

See flyer below!

SAENA Annual Educational Conference!

August 27, 2026

Drury Inn & Suites

15806 I -10 West

San Antonio, TX 78257

See flyer below

www.sanantonioena.org

AACN Certified Nurses Celebration

March 21, 2026

5:30 – 10pm

**ALL NURSES ARE
INVITED!**

See flyer below

the image and profession of emergency nursing— please take a moment to nominate someone whose efforts stand out.

Thank you for all that you do for your patients, your teams, and our profession. I am proud to represent such an exceptional community of emergency nurses, and I look forward to what we will accomplish together this year.



Dustin G. English, MSN, RN
SAENA President 2026

What's Hot!
Texas ENA
Virtual Quarterly
Conference Session
Q1- Leadership: The HARD
STUFF
March 27, 2026
1 – 5pm
See flyer below!

President–Elect Candidates

The San Antonio ENA Chapter is seeking candidates for the role of President-Elect. The President-Elect supports chapter leadership during the upcoming term and will transition to Chapter President the following year. This is an excellent opportunity for members interested in professional growth, leadership development, and contributing to the advancement of emergency nursing in our region.

Eligibility:

- Must be a current ENA member in good standing
- Have current Registered Nurse (RN) licensure
- Maintain and reside at a primary residence that is located within the SAENA chapter boundaries as identified by Texas ENA State Council. (see map below)
- Be an active member of SAENA. Active membership is defined as:
 - Attendance at 50% of the Chapter's Business meetings within the past 12 months; or Serves as an officer, director, past president, or committee chair of SAENA or the Texas ENA State Council in the past two years.

Key Responsibilities:

- Assist the Chapter President in operations and chapter initiatives
- Participate in chapter planning, events, and member engagement
- Prepare to assume the role of Chapter President in the next term

To Apply or Nominate:

Please submit the nominee's name, ENA member number, and a brief statement of interest to dustinenglish91@yahoo.com.

For more information on the position of President–Elect or the election process see the SAENA Bylaws Section V at <https://www.sanantonioena.org/documents/>

Welcome Forensic Nurses!

The Emergency Nurses Association recently announced the merging of the International Association of Forensic Nurses into the ENA.

The SAENA wishes to welcome those forensic nurses who are now members of the ENA and the San Antonio Chapter.

We know your expertise will greatly enhance our efforts to provide safe, evidence-based patient care and improved patient outcomes.

March = Member Referral Madness!

ENA is hosting a Membership Referral Game which not only increases the ENA's membership but may win the referring member a prize!

Refer other nurses as members to ENA. When they join, you are on your way to winning one of several prizes including a free registration to EN26!

Starts: March 1, 2026 Ends: March 31, 2026 at 11:59pm

See the ENA website for information on *How to Play!* and *How to Win!* <https://connect.ena.org/events/event-description?CalendarEventKey=489389c5-553c-45d8-8588-019c9f6af8be&Home=%2fhome>

SAENA's NEW MEMBERS

The SAENA welcomes our new members who joined since December 16, 2025:

Shannon Little, Amber Braggs, Dakota Smith, Erika Bobadilla, Chasity Cox, Elizabeth Moreno Smiley, Karen Medina, Jacob Dillon, Kathryn Hass, Lee Stock, Laura-Jo Hegwood, Kelly Holloway, Rachel Valdez, Jason Cumpian, Jessie Earls, John Moncada, Serie Grace Cortez, Miranda Volling, Ronald Dewees, Terry Idar, and Vanessa Ibarra.

Texas Emergency Nurses Association 2026 Scholarship and Grant Program

**The TxENA Scholarship Committee announced it is now accepting
2026 Scholarship and Grant applications.**

**This is an excellent opportunity to invest in your professional
growth.**

**We strongly encourage those who are planning on obtaining their
RN, undergraduate nursing or graduate nursing/healthcare degrees
to consider applying.**

**Details regarding eligibility criteria, submission requirements and
deadlines can be found on the TxENA website at:**

scholarships@txena.org

Keep Your CE Certificates Safe & Ready to Upload!

Texas License Renewal Process - Upcoming Change

Beginning **September 1, 2026**, all nurses will be required to upload their completed CEs (CE certificates) into a digital tracking platform prior to license renewal. A license will not be eligible for renewal until the system confirms all CE requirements have been met.

The Texas Board of Nursing is in the process of selecting a tracking platform system and will send out updates and instructions as they become available.

See flyer below on How to Prepare!

2026 TNCC Provider Courses!

May 16 - 17, 2026

August 1 – 2, 2026

October 10 – 11, 2026

Course will be held at the
STRAC Building
7500 US-90 #1,
San Antonio, TX 78227

For more information see
<https://www.sanantonioena.org/education/tncc/> or

Contact: **Susan Douglass**
susan.douglass1948@yahoo.com
or **(210) 215-5540**

2026 ENPC Provider Courses!

April 11 – 12, 2026

August 15 – 16, 2026

December 12 – 13, 2026

Courses will be held at the
**Methodist Clinical &
Professional Education
Department**
8109 Fredericksburg Road

For more information see
<https://www.sanantonioena.org/education/enpc/> or

Contact: **Diane Walcutt** at
dianewalcutt@yahoo.com or
(210) 387-7236

Safety Whys Child Care Course

A 7-hour training program for students 11 - 17 years of age who want to be more confident when babysitting. The course focuses on the child's action, logical consequences and interventions necessary to keep the child safe.

2026 Courses

Saturday, May 9, 2026

November 14, 2026

Courses will be held at:

Helotes Police Department, 12951 Bandera Road, Helotes, Texas 78023

For more information click on the on the SAENA website 'Education' tab or

<https://www.sanantonioena.org/education/safetywhys/>

Safety Whys Update



Safety Whys Coordinator, Barbara Baldwin, met with the Titzman family of Warrior Kid Medic fame in Jourdan. The Titzman's appeared recently on TV's *Shark Tank* to present the *Warrior Kid Medic Multi-Tool*, a kid friendly first aid kit and did receive an offer. Dustin Titzman will be presenting the First Aid class at the Safety Whys' May 9th course.

What's Happening and What's New? Government Affairs

This quarter's Newsletter is related to election information, results, runoffs, and some potential bills. You may want to review NPR Texas Election Results @ <https://apps.npr.org/primary-election-results-2026/states/TX.html> or additional information in The Texas Tribune Texas primary election results for U.S. Senate, attorney general and more By Nikhil Sonnad Published: March 2, 2026 Updated: March 3, 2026

- Elections were held on March 3 after early voting. The certification of final election [results](https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/laws/advisory2025-17-mar-3-2026-primary-elec-law-cal-and-may-26-2026-primary-runoff-elec-law-cal.shtml) <https://www.sos.state.tx.us/elections/laws/advisory2025-17-mar-3-2026-primary-elec-law-cal-and-may-26-2026-primary-runoff-elec-law-cal.shtml> will be completed by March 15 and released by the Secretary of State on March 25. On May 26th, candidates who do not receive more than 50% will be in a runoff election held between the top two finishers. See below for some results. Note: if two candidates or more are listed for a party, they will be in the runoff election.

Republican primary

Democratic primary

Governor:	Greg Abbott	Gina Hinajosa
Lieutenant Governor:	Dan Patrick	Vickki Goodman/Marcos Velez
Attorney General:	Mayes Middleton/Chip Roy	Nathan Johnson/Joe Jaworski
Comptroller:	Don Huffines	Sarah Eckhardt
Land commissioner:	Dawn Buckingham	Benjamin Flores
Agriculture commissioner:	Nate Sheets	Clayton Tucker
Railroad Commissioner:	Jim Wright/Bo Finch	Jon Rosenthal
U.S. Senate	John Cornyn/Ken Paxton	James Talarico
U. S. House	(38 congressional seats are open in this election.)	

Nationally

From AACN Watch 3/3/2026

Take Action Today: Ask your Representative to **Support Title VIII Funding**

- House Nursing Caucus leaders are currently circulating a Dear Colleague Letter urging the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies to provide \$610 million for Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs in Fiscal Year 2027. The deadline for your federal Representative to sign onto the House's Dear Colleague Letter is Friday, March 13. Copy Link <https://aacn.informz.net/z/cjUucD9taT0xMjl3NzI2NSZwPTEmdT0xMTgxNzQ5NDg2JmxpPTYMDQ4NTUyNg/index.html>

- WASHINGTON, D.C., February 5, 2026 – The **American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN)** https://www.aacnnursing.org/?utm_source=Informz&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=Email applauds Congress for passing the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2026 [P.L. No. 119-75], which is a fiscal year (FY) 2026 appropriations package that includes funding for priority nursing programs within the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies (LHHS-ED) funding title. In particular, AACN is pleased that this legislation provides level funding for the Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs and the National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR) despite proposed cuts contained in the President's FY 2026 budget request as well as the LHHS-ED appropriations bills debated in Congress last year. Specific funding totals contained in the law are as follows:

\$305.472 million for the Title VIII Programs. AACN notes slight variation in funding levels for individual Title VIII Programs in relation to prior fiscal years, including a \$2 million decrease for the Nursing Workforce Diversity Program, a \$1 million increase for the Nurse Education, Practice, Quality, and Retention Program (NEPQR), and a \$1 million increase for the Nurse Practitioner Optional Fellowship Program.

\$197.693 million for NINR and preservation of the structure and independence of the institute within the National Institutes of Health. AACN recognizes the crucial role that each of the Title VIII programs play in addressing all aspects of nursing workforce demand, including education, practice, recruitment, and retention, as well as the foundational importance of NINR in establishing the scientific basis for high-quality nursing care. As such, we deeply appreciate Congress for its bipartisan work to pass a full-year FY 2026 LHHS-ED bill that maintains funding for these critical programs and rejects steep cuts that were proposed by the **Administration** https://www.aacnnursing.org/news-data/all-news/article/category/policy-advocacy/fy-2026-congressional-budget-justification-calls-for-defunding-title-viii-programs-and-eliminating-ninr?utm_source=Informz&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=Email

and the **House of Representatives** last year https://www.aacnnursing.org/news-data/all-news/article/category/policy-advocacy/house-appropriations-committee-votes-to-cut-title-viii-nursing-programs-in-its-fy-2026-spending-bill?utm_source=Informz&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=Email .

[FY 2026 funding chart](https://www.aacnnursing.org/Portals/0/PDFs/Policy/FY26-Funding-Chart-for-Conferenced-Bill.pdf?utm_source=Informz&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=Email), can be found on the AACN [website](#)
https://www.aacnnursing.org/Portals/0/PDFs/Policy/FY26-Funding-Chart-for-Conferenced-Bill.pdf?utm_source=Informz&utm_medium=Email&utm_campaign=Email

- **Nurse Faculty Shortage Reduction Act Reintroduced**

Last week, Senators Dick Durbin (D-IL) and Lisa Murkowski (R-AK), along with House Nursing Caucus Leadership, Representatives Dave Joyce (R-OH-14), Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR-01), Jen Kiggans (R-VA-02), and Lauren Underwood (D-IL-14), reintroduced the bipartisan, bicameral Nurse Faculty Shortage Reduction Act ([S.3707/H.R.7279](#))

<https://www.congress.gov/bill/119th-congress/house-bill/7279> . This [legislation](#)
<https://joyce.house.gov/posts/joyce-introduces-legislation-to-increase-nurse-faculty-workforce>
would help address the pay gap between clinical and faculty positions. AACN applauds this legislation as an innovative approach to supporting nursing schools and the recruitment and retention of faculty.

- **NHSC Loan Repayment Programs Application Now Open**

The National Health Service Corps (NHSC) is now accepting applications for three loan repayment programs: [NHSC Loan Repayment Program](#) <https://nhsc.hrsa.gov/loan-repayment/nhsc-loan-repayment-program> ; [NHSC Substance Use Disorder and Workforce Loan Repayment Program](#); and [NHSC Rural Community Loan Repayment Program](#) <https://nhsc.hrsa.gov/loan-repayment/nhsc-sud-workforce-loan-repayment-program> . If you are a primary care or mental and behavioral health provider working at an NHSC-approved site, you could receive up to \$100,000 to pay off your student loans. **The application deadline is March 31 at 7:30 pm (ET).**

From Washington Update February 2026

- **Congress Approves Final FY26 Health Care Funding and Extends Dr. Lorna Breen Act**
After a brief government shutdown that began on Jan. 31, the enactment of the Consolidated Appropriations Act has restored full operations to the federal government. By securing this bipartisan agreement, lawmakers successfully finalized the Labor-HHS-Education portion of the budget, ensuring that critical health and education programs are funded through the remainder of the fiscal year on Sept. 30.

For emergency nurses, the final omnibus successfully avoided the deep programmatic cuts originally proposed in the administration's "skinny" budget. The Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs were ultimately funded at \$305.472 million, maintaining the same level of funding seen in previous years and protecting vital initiatives like the Nurse Faculty Loan Program. Similarly, the National Institute of Nursing Research secured almost \$198 million, preserving its status as an independent institute within the NIH. While ENA had pushed for more robust increases to combat the national staffing crisis, the final bill ultimately maintained these programs that appeared to be at risk in previous proposals.

In a major victory for emergency nurses, the funding bill included a five-year extension of the Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act. This longtime ENA priority provides support for programs to help prevent suicide, burnout and mental and behavioral health conditions among health care professionals. This legislation was a Day on the Hill priority in

2025, and ENA advocates were instrumental in increasing cosponsors and support for this important measure.

- ***ENA is excited to share the newly revised and updated Government Relations Toolkit, designed to support state council leaders in:***

Influencing lawmakers and agency officials

Energizing and guiding ENA members to engage in advocacy

Strengthening your council's voice on critical policy issues

We encourage you to explore the toolkit and leverage these updated resources to elevate advocacy efforts in your state. [Click here https://www.ena.org/sites/default/files/2026-01/ENA%20Government%20Relations%20Toolkit_11%202025_Final.pdf](https://www.ena.org/sites/default/files/2026-01/ENA%20Government%20Relations%20Toolkit_11%202025_Final.pdf) to view and download.

- ***ENA State Leaders: Got a State Bill to Track? Contact ENA Government Relations and let us know the bill number - gov@ena.org***

ENA411 Grassroots Advocacy

Members of Congress need to hear from their constituents – this means you! Action Alerts highlight ENA's priorities before the House and Senate. Through the links below, you can send a letter or X post to your member of Congress.

[*NEW* Graduate Student Nurses Face Higher Loan Costs Under Dept. of Education Rule. Speak Up and Speak Out on the Need for APRNs!](https://www.votervoice.net/ENA/Campaigns/132027/Respond)

[The FAAN Act Makes Significant Investments in Nursing Education. Support it Today!](https://www.votervoice.net/ENA/Campaigns/132193/Respond)

[The Nursing Shortage is Real. Title VIII Programs Provide Real Support.](https://www.votervoice.net/ENA/Campaigns/130098/Respond)

[Emergency Nurses are Under Attack! A Federal Criminal Law Could Help Deter Violence.](https://www.votervoice.net/ENA/Campaigns/130338/Respond)

[Boarding and Overcrowding Have Been Problems for Years. Let's Do Something About It.](https://www.votervoice.net/ENA/Campaigns/129758/Respond)

[MISSION ZERO Is Popular, Innovative, and Needs to be Reauthorized. Learn More](https://www.votervoice.net/ENA/Campaigns/128587/Respond)

[Workplace Violence Has No Cure. Tell Congress to Do More to Fight It!](https://www.votervoice.net/ENA/Campaigns/126220/Respond)

[Support Tyler's Law to Effectively Implement Fentanyl Testing in EDs!](https://www.votervoice.net/ENA/Campaigns/124643/Respond)

<https://www.votervoice.net/ENA/Campaigns/124643/Respond>

Datebook

Day on the Hill registration is now open! Contact your state president if you are interested in attending this year!

April 28-29 [Day on the Hill](https://www.ena.org/events/day-hill-2026) <https://www.ena.org/events/day-hill-2026>

If you haven't signed up already, click below and never miss another Action Alert!

[Join EN411](https://votervoice.net/ENA/register) <https://votervoice.net/ENA/register>

Find out about current legislative priorities on the [ENA Government Relations page](https://www.ena.org/news-publications).

<https://www.ena.org/news-publications>



Mary Leblond, MSN, RN, CEN, CA-SANE, CP-SANE, FAEN
Chair Government Affairs Committees

**Sigma Delta Alpha at - Large Chapter and the Texas Nurses
Association – District 8**

Are now accepting nominations for the

2026 South Texas Imagemaker Awards

**These awards recognized outstanding nurses from all fields,
nominated by their peers, facilities and professional
organizations.**

For more information and contacts - See the flyer below

YOUR 2026 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President: Dustin English

President Elect:

Past President: Leslie Hinson

Treasurer: Diane Walcutt

Secretary: Carol Twombly

**Directors: Susan Douglass
Leah Keith**

YOUR 2026 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Bylaws / Policies: Sharon Keith

Election Process: Leslie Hinson

Media: Yvonne Moseley

QSIP / Trauma / TNCC: Susan Douglass

QSIP Co-Chair: Barbara Baldwin

Pediatrics / ENPC: Diane Walcutt

Nursing Practice/Government Affairs: Mary Leblond

Membership: Leah Keith

Fundraising: Linda Simpson

Conference: Lisa King

Professional Education: Carol Twombly

Scholarship: Thomas Culwell

Media: Yvonne Moseley

Newsletter: Carol Twombly

2026 Texas ENA Meetings

Q2 – April 10 – 11, 2026

Cotton Court Hotel

1610 Broadway St, Lubbock

Hosted by Hi Plains ENA

Q4 – October 16 – 17, 2026

Location to be determined

Hosted by Texas 10-59

Q3 – July 24 – 25, 2026

Location to be determined

Hosted by Gulf Coast ENA

For location and hotel info check the Meetings page of the TxEA website.

<https://txena.org/meetings/>

Opting Out

If you wish to opt out of receiving this Newsletter or other SAENA announcements, please notify SAENA at cltwombly@aol.com

A purple t-shirt is shown from a top-down perspective. The text is printed on the front of the shirt. The text includes a title, a main announcement, two styles of shirts, a list of styles, pricing information, payment terms, and pickup information.

SAENA Shirts!

SAENA has new Chapter shirts!

Two styles of the SAENA purple shirts:

- **“Golf Shirt”**
- **“Fishing shirt”**

Prices are \$35 - \$45+ per shirt based on style and size.

Only cash or check will be accepted when ordering.

Pick up of the ordered shirts can be done at a SAENA Business meeting.

Texas Board of Nursing - Continuing Education Requirements for RNs

All Texas RNs are reminded to review the Texas Board of Nursing's mandatory continuing education re-licensure requirements located on the website at https://www.bon.texas.gov/education_continuing_education.asp#D

There are several factors which must be kept in mind when reviewing the information on the website:

- Course content must meet the stipulation requirements of the Texas Board of Nursing
- The time frame or licensure cycle for repeating the requirement differs from course to course
- The RN's practice type and/or 'float unit' may determine if a nurse needs to take a course
- Advance Practice RNs (APRN) have additional course requirements than RNs
- Course requirements are not automatically met with certification
- Additional education requirements may be added at any time. These requirements are announced in the Texas Board of Nursing's Bulletin.

Current RN Requirements:

- Forensics Evidence Collection
- Older Adult and Geriatric Care
- Nursing Jurisprudence and Ethics
- *Human Trafficking Prevention

****Must be an approved Texas HHS course.***

Current APRN Requirements:

- Pharmacotherapeutics
- Tick-Borne Diseases
- *Pain management and prescription of opioids
- *Prescription of opioids
- Authorization to receive information from the Texas Prescription Monitoring Program

**** All APRNs with prescriptive authority authorized to prescribe opioids***

Note: In 2025, the Texas Legislature passed a bill requiring nutrition/metabolic health be added to the mandatory continuing education for Texas nurses. Specifics requirements for this course: who needs to take it, how often and the number of hours of education, will probably be finalized by late 2026. These requirements will be published in the SAENA Newsletter as soon as it is available.



San Antonio Emergency Nurses Association

CEN Review Course

May 7 – 8, 2026



Justin Milici

**MSN, RN, CEN, CPEN, CPN, TCRN,
CCRN, FAEN**

ENA Member - \$275 Non-Member - \$325

Hybrid Event: In-person or Virtual Attendance

Galen College of Nursing

Community Classroom

13805 I-10

San Antonio, TX 78249



Scan me!

To register use the Scan Me or see the SAENA website at:

<https://www.sanantonioena.org/education/2026-cen-review/>



San Antonio Chapter

San Antonio Emergency Nurses Association

SAVE THE DATE!

SAENA's 14TH ANNUAL Conference

**Concepts of Emergency and
Critical Care Nursing – 2026**

August 27, 2026

****Note New
Location!****

Drury Inn & Suites

15806 I-10 West

San Antonio, TX 78257

(Intersection of I-10 and 1604 on the Access Road)

FREE Parking and Wifi

Early Bird Registration – Ends May 31, 2026

ENA Member: \$70 Non-ENA Member: \$85 LVN / EMS/ Student: \$70

Regular Registration – Starts June 1, 2026

ENA Member: \$80 Non-ENA Member: \$95 LVN / EMS / Student: \$80

7 hours of education!

www.sanantonioena.org



San Antonio Emergency Nurses Association

'Concepts of Emergency and Critical Care Nursing – 2026'

August 27, 2026

Conference Mail-In Registration Form

Please type or print legibly

First Name (will be displayed on badge) Last Name Credentials (eg: RN, APN, LVN, EMT-P, etc.)

Employer/Facility Title

Home Address City, State, Zip

E-mail address Contact Phone Number

**ENA Number: *Must include valid ENA Number for member discount!*

Check correct box below!

REQUIRED - ATTENDANCE OPTION	<input type="checkbox"/> In-person	<input type="checkbox"/> Virtual
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Check correct box below!

SELECT REGISTRATION FEE	**ENA Member	Non- ENA Member	LVN / EMS / ***Student
Early Bird Registration – ENDS May 31, 2026	<input type="checkbox"/> \$70	<input type="checkbox"/> \$85	<input type="checkbox"/> \$70

OR

	ENA Member	Non- ENA Member	LVN / EMS / *Student
Regular Registration – Starts June 1, 2026	<input type="checkbox"/> \$80	<input type="checkbox"/> \$95	<input type="checkbox"/> \$80

Payment Information

Make checks payable to: SAENA, Inc

Send registration form and payment to: Carol Twombly
15215 Wayside Oaks St
San Antonio, Texas 78232

Contact:
ciltwombly@aol.com

*To register by credit card, go to the SAENA website:

<https://www.sanantonioena.org/2026-conference/>

*A 3% fee will be added to the registration cost when paying by credit card or PayPal. The PayPal registration payment process will automatically reflect this change.

**Registrant must be an ENA member on the day of the seminar to receive the ENA Member Discount

*** Student – as defined by ENA: an individual obtaining their *initial* licensure as an RN (registered nurse).

Cancellation Notice: A written/email request must be received before July 15, 2026 for a 75% refund. A written/email request received between July 16 and Aug 1, 2026, for a 25% refund. There will be no refunds issued after August 1, 2026.

<https://www.sanantonioena.org/2026-conference/>

Certified Nurses Celebration

Saturday, March 21, 2026
5:30 PM to 10:00 PM

San Antonio Marriott Northwest
3233 Northwest Loop 410, San Antonio, TX 78213

HONORARY CHAIR & KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
SONYA R. HARDIN, PhD, MBA/MHA, APRN, FAAN
Dean & Professor, School of Nursing
UT San Antonio Health Science Campus

— *“On Purpose”* —



Register:



Certificants
Submission:



ALL NURSES ARE INVITED

Certified Nurses: Submit your name,
certification & headshot to:

<https://form.jotform.com/2530332278733052>

• www.sachapteraacn.nursingnetwork.com

A PEARL, BLACK AND GOLD AFFAIR



2026 Texas ENA VIRTUAL Quarterly Conference Series

Q1: Leadership: The HARD Stuff
March 27, 2026
1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

FEATURED TOPICS

Addressing the challenges of boarding in the ED
Change that improves unit culture and performance
Giving and receiving hard feedback
Leading through tragedy

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration Link: <https://pci.jotform.com/form/260383559018158>

Conference cost:

ENA Member cost: \$60.00

Non-ENA Member: \$70.00



For a limited time only!!

2026 BUNDLE COST for all 4 TxENA conferences

ENA Member cost: \$200.00

Non-ENA Member cost: 250.00

*** Transferable if not able to attend all 4 conferences*

Mar 27, 2026 (1p-5p) – Leadership: The HARD Stuff

Jun 5, 2026 (8a-12p) – Case Studies in Emergency Nursing

Oct 16, 2026 (1p-5p) – ED Nursing in Emergency Management

Dec 4, 2026 (8a-12p) – President’s Theme

!! MARK YOUR CALENDARS !!



Delta Alpha
at-Large Chapter



Dear Nurse Leader,

Greetings from the **2026 South Texas Nurse Imagemaker Celebration Committee!** Nurses Week will be here before we know it.

You are invited to recognize a Registered Nurse (RN) from your organization as a Nurse Imagemaker. This important recognition has been a tradition for over 25 years, continuing the collaboration of Delta Alpha-at-Large Chapter of Sigma Global Nursing Excellence (Sigma) and District 8, Texas Nurses Association (TNA).

The tradition of Texas Nurses Association District 8 and Sigma, Delta Alpha at Large Chapter will continue with recognition of the accomplishments of Registered Nurses at the **South Texas Nurse Imagemaker Awards Celebration**. This year's celebration will be **in-person at The Hyatt Resort Spa** The luncheon event will occur on **May 15th**, mark your calendars!

We hope that this early invitation gives you enough time to complete the honoree process for the registered nurse who is most deserving of being named the 2026 South Texas Nurse Imagemaker from your organization.

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CHANGES TO CE REQUIREMENTS ARE COMING!



Don't be caught off guard!

[Senate Bill 012](#) was passed during the 89th legislative session, and it **changes the way Continuing Education (CE) is tracked** for all healthcare professionals, including nurses.

What is Changing?

Beginning September 1, 2026, all nurses will be required to upload their completed CEs into a digital tracking platform prior to license renewal. A license will not be eligible for renewal until the system confirms all CE requirements have been met. The Texas Board of Nursing is in the process of selecting a tracking platform vendor and will send out updates and instructions as they become available.

Why This Matters

Historically, nurses maintained their own copies of CE certificates and only provided them to the Board if selected for audit. The new tracking system will allow nurses to track and store their CEs for every renewal cycle in order to meet the new rule requirements on September 1, 2026.

The option to renew your license will only be available after you demonstrate CE compliance. Plan ahead and don't let your license lapse! **Failure to renew your license means you cannot practice as a nurse.**

How to Prepare

- Start collecting copies of all CEs now so you are ready to upload once a platform opens!
- Take CE courses from reputable providers who are on the [Board-recognized CE provider list](#).
- Check that you meet all [CE requirements](#), including [targeted CE](#) (See [Board Rule 216](#) for more information).
- Stay alert for further guidance from the Texas Board of Nursing on when and how to transition your CE records to the new platform. More information will be published over the upcoming months.

Begin organizing your CE records now so your next renewal goes smoothly!