

GREETINGS!

*Fall 2014
Log and Dialogue*

Dear SPCHNA Members,

I hope the fall semester is going well for each of you. I know we are all working to provide health services to students while facing new issues this season. The efforts to maintain a healthy campus continue to be challenging. Well and sick visits, immunization programs for influenza, TB testing, university health outreach programs – all with many other initiatives - keep our days busy as we strive to promote health and wellness for our students. Attention shifted from Enterovirus D68 at the start of the semester to Ebola with its unknown ramifications.

It is very fortunate that this organization has a strong base of colleagues to share ideas and help problem solve on how to provide optimal care to students, while they study at our schools. On January 7, Cabrini College will host the winter networking meeting. This activity has been submitted to PA State Nurses Association for approval to award contact hours. PA State Nurses Association is accredited as an approver of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

The program will consist of discussions led by board members on a variety of college health topics - Ebola/Flu/Infectious Diseases, Title IX, vaccination clinics, scheduling/triage, staff/department collaboration, EMR's , wellness and care of self. More information will be available after Nov. 1. Registration is required at www.spchna.org. Members may attend at no cost. Membership dues for 2015 must be paid prior to registration for the meeting.

Nominations for new board members will be accepted at the January meeting. Please consider nominating a colleague, or yourself, to a board position. Your time and expertise is greatly appreciated by the group.

A host for the SPCHNA Spring 2015 Conference needed. If interested in hosting, please contact rspragins@wcupa.edu.

Best wishes for a successful fall semester. Stay happy and healthy. I look forward to seeing you in January. - Robyn

Links to Helpful Information:

www.healthcare.gov – Open enrollment starts 11/15/14 and ends 2/15/15
<http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/page/advice-for-colleges-universities-and-students-about-ebola-in-west-africa>
<http://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/>