

**SCNA LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES
2016-2018**

The South Carolina Nurses Association has among its purposes:

- 1) To promote the quality of life and health care for all people
- 2) To foster the nursing profession as a leading, positive force in the health care delivery system

To achieve these broad purposes, the SCNA will provide leadership in the legislative and public policy arena

To promote the quality of life and health care for all people in South Carolina, SCNA will:

- 1) Promote access to and delivery of safe, cost effective, quality health services for the public
- 2) Protect nursing care services to the public with emphasis in the licensed nurses' roles as qualified providers of healthcare services
- 3) Support equal rights and opportunities for all peoples unrestricted by consideration of age, color, creed, disability, gender, health status, lifestyle, nationality, race, religion, or sexual orientation
- 4) Support legislation that promotes and protects environmental health in the home, at the worksite, in the community
- 5) Initiate and/or support legislation to assure comprehensive health care services to all people, especially vulnerable populations

To foster the nursing profession in its role as a provider, leader, and collaborator in the health care delivery system, SCNA will:

- 1) Initiate, monitor and respond to all activity which would affect the practice of nursing
- 2) Assure nursing participation in planning, development, and evaluation of policies related to health care
- 3) Support and protect the rights of nurses in the workplace
- 4) Initiate and support the procurement of public and private funding for nursing education and nursing research

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