The Nurse Practitioner Association New York State

History, Accomplishments and Milestones

We work hard for the advancement of nurse practitioners in New York!

1980 - The Nurse Practitioner Association was formed
1988 - Landmark legislation authorizing title and scope of practice for NPs
1992 - NPs acquired full DEA prescriptive authority
1993 - NPs gain the ability to make referrals for physical and occupational therapy
1997 - Medicare reimbursement at 85% of the physician’s rate enacted
1998 - Association forms a Political Action Committee (PAC)
2002 - The Practice Area Bill is passed, becoming Chapter 600 of the Laws of 2002
2003 - Respiratory Therapists can now accept orders from NPs
2004 - Clinical Lab Bill is passed
2006 - Medical Emergency Utility Services Bill and Handicap License Plates Bill signed into law
2008 - NPA introduces legislation to remove Statutory Collaboration (Nurse Practitioners Modernization Act)
2010 - NPs authorized to conduct eye examinations and to complete loss of consciousness forms with NYS DMV
2011 - NPA Death Certificates Bill signed into law
 - NPs included in NYSHIP Empire Plan providing 121,000 state employees and families with access to NPs
 - Governor’s Medicaid Redesign Team (MRT) begins work plan, NPA was invited to assist MRT on proposal to remove statutory collaboration. This proposal was in the top 5 final recommendations issued by MRT

2012 - NPA Introduces Mental Health legislation
 - Nurse Practitioner Modernization Act (NPMA) passed by Assembly
 - NPA asked to participate on The Health Benefits Exchange Regional Advisory Committee
2014 - The Nurse Practitioner Modernization Act effective Jan. 1, 2015 was signed into law by Governor Cuomo as part of the 2014-2015 NYS budget
2015 - The NPA was asked to participate on Care Committee of Governor Cuomo’s Ending of Aids Epidemic Taskforce
 - Meningitis bill signed into law requiring a dose for students entering 7th grade and again in 12th grade
 - NPMA Clean Up bill signed into law making technical changes to select provisions of the law to reflect current statutes by eliminating inappropriate references to the written practice agreement
2016 - NPs added to authorized list of practitioners to certify patients for the New York State Dept. of Health’s Medical Marijuana Program
2017 - DNR Bill authorizes NPs to execute orders not to resuscitate as well as orders pertaining to life sustaining treatments signed into law.
 - NP Civil Service Bill requires NYS Civil Service Dept. to create classification for NPs in state employment, proportional to their education, experience and duties and to develop salary grade allocations signed into law.
 - Automated External Defibrillator Bill (AED Bill) Authorizes NPs with required experience and scope to enter into a collaborative agreement with a person or entity seeking to possess and/or operate an AED signed into law.
2018 – DNR Clean-Up Bill authorizing a patient’s attending nurse practitioner to witness the patient’s execution of a health care proxy signed into law.

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