2020 Year of the Nurse
In the year 2020, nurses are being recognized for their hard work and dedication to our healthcare system. That is why this year has been designated as the ‘Year of the Nurse.’

Thinking about Going Back to School
If you think going back to school is going to be too difficult with all the current obligations, responsibilities and goals you already have, read this article about a U.S. Sailor who balanced it all!

Chapter 226 Update
Some of our NOVA Chapter 226 Board Members met after work on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 at Joe’s American Bar & Grill in Dedham, MA.

Chapter 308 Update
I am a Certified Wound Ostomy Nurse (CWON) at the Charles George VA Medical Center, and am also proud to be a NOVA member.

President’s Message
Kelly D. Skinner
Dear NOVA Members,

Have you ever thought about using your knowledge and experience as a nurse to advocate for improving VA health care beyond the local facility level, at the state or national level? Does policy and advocacy interest you? If so, you should seize the opportunity to join us, your fellow NOVA members, at NOVA on the Hill Day on March 5th and NOVA’s Annual Legislative Roundtable on March 6th in Washington, D.C.
NOVA Hill Day Schedule
NOVA invites you to join us for our NOVA on the Hill Day on March 5, 2020!
> LEARN MORE

NOVA 40th Annual Meeting
Save the date: October 29-30, 2020
Arlington, VA.
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COMMUNITY NEWS

Member of the Month:
Betty M. Ogren is an active NOVA member and the first LPN to serve as a NOVA Board of Director. She functions as a Patient Aligned Care Teams (PACT) LPN at the VA Northern Indiana Health Care Systems (VANIHCS) in Fort Wayne, Indiana. As a nurse, who cares for our Nation’s heroes every day, Betty is committed to enhancing access, coordinating care and improving the health care provided at VA.
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NOVA on the Hill Day Scholarship Awardees Selected!
Two scholarships will be awarded in the amount of $250 each for the following two nurses to attend NOVA on the Hill Day on March 5, 2020.
> READ MORE

Calling all NOVA Members!
The "Membership Development Committee" and the "Chapter Oversight Committee" wants you! We are seeking enthusiastic LPNs/LVNs, RNs and APRNs who are willing to participate on scheduled committee calls and contribute to the membership discussions and exchange of ideas. If you are interested you can fill out the online form. Join a NOVA Committee today!
> SIGN UP

2020 Legislative Priority Goals
The Nurses Organization of Veterans Affairs (NOVA) is the professional organization for nurses employed by the Department of Veterans Affairs.
Our members are the frontline faces who provide the best care for Veterans. The following legislative priority goals identify several areas we feel need attention to continue providing the best care for our Nation’s Veterans.