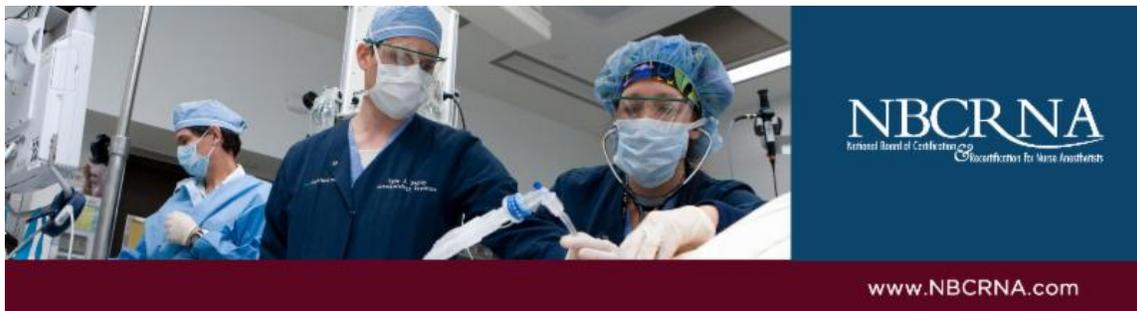


The latest information bites from the NBCRNA on elections, program information, new tip line and more.



## Fall 2015 Newsletter

Welcome to the Fall issue of the NBCRNA newsletter. This issue features short updates on the elections, new program information (pain management subspecialty and the CPC Program), Board work, and the new reporting site/tip line.

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### **Elections: Certificants Elected Director Call for Nominations.** ***Deadline: October 30***

The NBCRNA is seeking qualified CRNA applicants for the second of two certificant elected Director (CED) positions on the NBCRNA Board of Directors. This past spring the NBCRNA held the first election in which a Director, Pamela Chambers, was elected by the certifiants. The successful candidate for the second election will be elected through an open election by certified registered nurse anesthetists in February 2016 and they will begin a three-year term in September 2016. The application deadline is **October 30**.

For more information and application forms, visit [NBCRNA Election website](#).

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### **NEW! Continued Professional Certification (CPC) Program** **DISCOVERY SERIES**

In preparation for the launch of the CPC Program next August, the NBCRNA has developed the CPC Program Discovery Series, an outreach program designed to provide information and resources about the CPC Program. In addition to providing live speakers at events to discuss the CPC Program, the Discovery Series will outreach to CRNAs, CE Vendors, Program Administrators, students, new graduates and others who have questions about the CPC Program.

Many of the resources for the Discovery Series can be found on the [NBCRNA website](#) and include a new Student Reference Card, sample CPC plans, a personalized CPC timeline based on when you originally certified, the CPC brochure explaining the CPC Program, an FAQ section, descriptions of Class A and Class B requirements, and more. Additional resources that will be available over the coming months. If you have a meeting scheduled and would like CPC Program brochures and/or a speaker to discuss the CPC Program, complete the [request form](#).

Check back on the [NBCRNA website](#) for additional CPC Program resources over the coming months.

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### **Upcoming Registration for Nonsurgical Pain Management (NSPM) Credential Program**

The NBCRNA has developed a voluntary subspecialty certification for nurse anesthetists in Nonsurgical Pain Management (NSPM). The NSPM credential program measures the knowledge, skills, and abilities of NBCRNA-certified registered nurse anesthetists for practice in the NSPM field.

The most recent NSPM exam window was open October 5-19. Results will be provided to the candidates within four weeks after the closure of the examination window.

Find out more about the [NSPM certification](#).

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## New Board Begins Work of New Fiscal Year



The 2016 NBCRNA Board met last month to begin the work of the new fiscal year under the leadership of President Steve Wooden.

"I look forward to utilizing the great depth and breadth of this enthusiastic Board in our work to protect the value of the CRNA credential, while guarding the well-being of the public by seeking to ensure that nurse anesthetists seek and maintain the necessary knowledge to practice safely and effectively. I have seen the success we have had in the past when our leaders come together for a common purpose. My role, moving forward, is to engage those leaders in our work to uphold the integrity and value of certification and shape the future of the nurse anesthesia practice. I want to help create a strong foundation for our profession to withstand the constant changes in the healthcare environment," said Steve Wooden.

During the Board meeting, the NBCRNA also welcomed new Board members: certificant elected Director, Pamela Chambers; Emerging Leader, Maureen McCarthy; surgeon David Coffman; and public member Ed Susank.

[Meet the Board](#)

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## Safeguarding Integrity: Reporting Site and Tip Line Now Available

The NBCRNA takes very seriously the integrity of the exams that are the gateway to nurse anesthesia credentials and that are an integral part of nurse anesthesia training. The validity of NBCRNA's exams and the value of the CRNA credential depend on the confidentiality of test questions and the appropriate conduct of examinees. In the rare instance that inappropriate behavior is observed, a website and tip line are now available for reporting. This is not staffed by NBCRNA employees and the report can remain completely anonymous.

Find out more on the [NBCRNA website](#).

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## NBCRNA On The Road

The NBCRNA has been all over the U.S. talking at various state association and other meetings about the CPC Program, providing updates and answering questions. We've been in eight states in the past month alone, from Montana and Wisconsin, Texas to South Carolina to name a few. We'll be on the road again after the first of the year at these scheduled meetings:

- Jan 23 - UANA State Meeting, Westminster College, Salt Lake City, UT
- Feb 27 - North Carolina State Meeting, Concord, NC
- March 12-13 - Wisconsin State Meeting, Madison, WI
- March 19 - Arizona State Meeting, Scottsdale, AZ
- April 23-24 - Texas Wesleyan University, Fort Worth, TX
- May 21 - Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, SC

Request a speaker or CPC Program brochures at your meeting by completing the [speaker request form](#).

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