



Association for Radiologic & Imaging Nursing (ARIN) Historical Report 2013-2014

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Communication and Collaboration: the Bridge to the Future

MEMBERSHIP

The current membership as of February 20, 2014, is 1876 active members, 38 associate members, 25 lifetime members and 28 international members. Membership cards are now available electronically for printing.

ARIN BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ARIN Board of Directors for 2013-2014 was installed at the annual membership meeting on April 16, 2013:

President:	Beth Ann Hackett, MSN, APRN-BC, CRN
President Elect:	Greg Laukhuf, RN-BC, CRN, NE-BC
Immediate Past President:	Christy E. Lee, MSN, APRN-BC, CRN
Secretary:	Katherine Duncan, BA, RN
Treasurer:	Brenda Wickersham, MAV, RN, CRN
Board Member:	Chris Cavanaugh, BSN, RN, CRNI, VA-BC
Board Member:	Brenda Boone, PhD, RN
Board Member:	Kathy Baker, MBA, BSN, RN, CCRN, CNRN, NE-BC

The ARIN Board decided to task the elected Board members with specific responsibilities and has created: As Director of Leadership Development, Kathy Baker will have oversight and responsibility for awards, scholarships, elections and development of a leadership program for members. Brenda Boone is our Director of Education will provide oversight for the Program Planning Committee, Webinar Committee, and the Imaging Review Master Faculty. With the instillation of the 2014 slate of officers, the third Board Member position will be the Director of Membership with oversight and responsibility for membership recruitment, communication and engagement of members, as well as fostering local ARIN chapters.

In January 2014, the ARIN Board met to develop and implement a new strategic plan with the main strategies of:

1. Increasing sponsorship and grants to assist with educational funding
2. Assessing and enhancing the quality of current educational programs
3. Improving leadership training and opportunities
4. Fully utilize technology and social media for delivery of educational materials
5. Expand and retain membership of both national and international members
6. Provide tools to allow for ongoing professional development
7. Create a demographic analysis to define the needs of members
8. Inventory and enhance the body of knowledge as a resource to members
9. Provide networking opportunities for members and partnering organizations
10. Monitor government policies and regulations that affect our industry

A new look at the ARIN Core Values was in order, and with careful thought, the ARIN Board offers:

- Embrace and drive change
- Be passionate and determined
- Deliver “WOW” through service
- Build open, honest relationships with communication
- Pursue growth and learning
- Lead with humility; follow with urgency

In 2013, a survey of membership revealed a continued importance of educational opportunities, a need for reference materials including policy, procedures and practice guidelines, and interest in chapter involvement. The complete results of the survey were published in the *Vision* newsletter.

ARIN EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

In 2012, the ARIN Board elected to employ an Executive Director and chose Karen Green, MHA, BSN, RN, CRN to fill this position. As Executive Director, Karen has been overseeing the ARIN Strategic Plan as well as playing a key role in coordinating the jobs of the management companies.

ARIN NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL MEETINGS

2013 ARIN Annual Convention: April 13-17, 2013 in New Orleans, LA

2013 ARIN Fall Symposium: September 28-29, 2013 in Cincinnati, Ohio

During the 2013 Annual Convention, \$949 was generated for scholarships from the silent auction. An additional \$1650 was raised from the 50/50 raffle with the recipient winning \$825 and an additional \$825 going to the scholarship fund.

For the 2014 Annual Convention, the Board is pleased to present the inaugural Joanna Po lecture.

ARIN IMAGING NURSE REVIEW COURSE

The ARIN Imaging Nurse Review Course was conducted at the 2013 Annual Convention and at the 2013 Fall Symposium. Master Faculty includes: Kathy Scheffer, MN, RN, CRN, Kathy Pittman, BSN, RN, HN-BC, CRN and Ellen Arslan, RNC, CRN, VA-BC. While offered at the Annual Convention for the convenience of ARIN members, this course can be hosted by a chapter or hospital. For more information, contact ARIN at info@arinursing.org.

In 2013-2014, the ARIN Imaging Nurse Review Course was contracted to the following sponsoring facilities:

- MD Anderson (Houston, TX)
- Richland, WA
- Phoenix, AZ
- Chicago

The Imaging Review Course has been recorded and modules are available for purchase on the ARIN website.

ARIN MEMBER RECOGNITION

2014 ARIN Awards and Scholarships awarded are:

- Radiology Nurse of the Year Award: Terrence Creque, BSN, RN
 - Charlotte Godwin Scholarship: Kimberly DuBore, BSN, RN
 - Dorothy Budnek Scholarship: Tiffany Hansen, BSN, RN, CRN
 - Helen Malenock Award: The award was presented and the recipient remains anonymous.
 - Poster Award: To be announced at 2014 Annual Membership Meeting
 - Linda Strangio Editor's Award: Jane Murphy, MS, RN, PNP-BC, CPHQ for the article "Credentialing Process for Nurse Providers of Moderate Sedation" which appeared in the March 2013 issue.
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ARIN PUBLICATIONS *(For details on the publications see the Annual Reports.)*

Core Curriculum for Radiologic and Imaging Nursing

The third edition is currently in a final editing phase and will be published in 2014. Kathleen Gross, MSN, RN-BC, CRN is the *Core* editor and reports the Core Curriculum has increased to over 1025 pages with nine new chapters. This reflects the growth and advances in the field of radiology and radiology nursing!

Journal of Radiology Nursing

Kathleen Gross is the editor of the *Journal of Radiology Nursing (JRN)* and continues to produce an outstanding publication for Radiologic and Imaging Nurses. This year the range of topics has grown with new columns on advanced practice and safety. The website www.radiologynursing.org has been updated and is the portal for the *Journal of Radiology Nursing*. The *Journal* is now available as a smartphone app. The *JRN* Editorial Board meets annually and awards the Linda Strangio Editor's Award to the outstanding publication for the year. For more detailed information on the Journal, Editor and Editorial Board activities, please see the ARIN website. The Call for Editorial Board members will appear in the September issue.

Vision Newsletter

Sharon Lehmann, MS, ACNS-BC continues to serve at the *Vision* Editor. When the Board of Directors met in November 2013 to develop ARIN's strategic plan for 2014-2016, the discussion included ideas to enhance the *Vision* newsletter to better meet the needs of the membership. *Vision* will now be published 6 times a year, instead for 4. We want to keep the issues shorter to not overwhelm the members and keep their interest. The Executive Director and President will alternate writing a message to the membership. We want to write short practice articles that are "hot topics" of interest to the membership. Many of the ideas will be taken from the listserv. We want to keep our membership informed on governmental affairs, news about what meetings other members are sent to, and chapter news.

Names of the new joining members will be listed. Newly certified and renewing CRN imaging nurses will also be listed. We also want to hear from the members about promotions you receive, degrees you have completed, articles you have published, and other certifications you have completed.

Radiology Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice

The ARIN Board, with assistance from the American Nurses Association (ANA), meticulously revised the *Radiologic and Imaging Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice*. This document outlines the definitions, competencies, roles and responsibilities of the Radiologic and Imaging Nurse as well as the Advanced Practice Nurse. This is a joint publication of ANA and ARIN and is available for purchase at the conference as well as on the ARIN website.

The following ARIN publications are available for purchase:

- *Core Curriculum for Radiologic and Imaging Nursing*, 2nd Edition (2008) — also available in CD ROM format.
- *Orientation Manual for Radiologic and Imaging Nursing* (2008) — also available in CD ROM format
- *Radiology Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice* (2013)

ARIN BYLAWS AND ARIN POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

In early 2013, the ARIN Board reviewed and revised ARIN Policy and Procedure and included changing all voting to electronic only as well as including job descriptions for two Board positions. Two of the three elected at large board members will work in the roles of Director of Education and Director of Leadership Development. Each job description includes objectives and preferred qualifications. The Board of Directors continues to work to streamline and improve the policies and procedures.

The ARIN Bylaws and ARIN Policies and Procedures are available online at www.arinursing.org.

ARIN CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINES & POSITION STATEMENTS

The ARIN Board of Directors approved support of the following:

- Americans for Nursing Shortage Relief (ANSR) Consensus Document (*See Public Policy Committee Report on details of the many initiatives this supported.*)
- Coalition for Health Funding in support of FY 2014 funding for discretionary health programs
- Continued support of the Nurses Health Studies.
- NGNA Position Statement on Mandatory Geriatric Nursing Education

The Board has tasked the Position Statements & Clinical Practice Guidelines (PS/CPG) Task Force with revision of all current PS/CPG. The Task Force is requesting topic ideas and new authors from the ARIN membership. All ARIN clinical practice guidelines and position statements are available in the practice guidelines section of www.arinursing.org.

RADIOLOGY NURSES DAY

April 12th was the official Radiology Nurse's Day. This year we have produced an exceptional new poster for purchase by our members to honor their colleagues. This will also be used for marketing opportunities. Copies of the poster are available online at www.arinursing.org.

ARIN LISTSERV

The listserv has been very active this past year. Members use this venue to dialogue on procedures, policies,

standards of care, shortages, and solutions to problems. The ARIN Strategic Plan recommends subspecialty listservs. For more information or to sign up, look for the Listserv section on the website.

ARIN CHAPTERS

As of March 2014, the number of local ARIN chapters is 16:

- **Golden Gate** (California)
- **Central Carolinas** (North Carolina)
- **Grand Canyon State** (Arizona)
- **New England** (Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island & Vermont)
- **Northwest** (Washington, Idaho & Oregon)
- **Empire State** (New York)
- **Greater Pittsburgh** (Pennsylvania)
- **Great Lakes** (Indiana, Illinois, Michigan & Wisconsin)
- **Philadelphia** (Pennsylvania)
- **Blue Ridge** (Virginia)
- **Texas Gulf Coast**
- **Ohio Radiological**
- **Maine**
- **Greater Tampa Bay** (Florida)
- **Southern California**
- **North Texas Lone Star**

Our chapters have had notable contributions to radiologic and imaging nursing hosting educational events, webinars and providing significant networking opportunities. Additionally, the Northwest Chapter hosted an Imaging Nurse Review Course in 2013. Chapters will be routinely asked to contribute to the *Vision* newsletter to highlight their activities and accomplishments.

Cathy Brown, RN, CRN our international representative on the Chapters Committee, continues to solicit interest from international ARIN members on forming an international chapter.

ARIN COMMITTEES AND TASK FORCES *(For details on the activities of these groups see the Annual Reports.)*

Leadership Development Awards/Scholarship Committee: This committee works to promote the development of leaders within the organization and promotes ARIN award and scholarship opportunities to ARIN members and is implementing a Leadership Mentor program. Through aggressive promotion, all awards and scholarships had nominations for presentation at the 2014 Annual Membership Meeting.

Chapters Committee: The Chapters Committee meets regularly by conference call and has worked to strengthen the materials and assistance available for ARIN members to develop local chapters.

Nominating Committee: The Nominating Committee solicited members to run for President Elect, Treasurer, Board Member, and Nominating Committee. Voting was performed electronically. The new officers will be installed at the 2014 Membership Meeting:

President-Elect (one year term):

Mary Sousa, BSN, RN

Treasurer (two year term):

Christine Keough, BSN, RN, CRN

Board Member (three year term):

James LaForge, MSN, RN

Sponsorship Committee Report: This committee has a goal of developing relationships with companies that can assist ARIN with sponsorship of educational opportunities such as the conferences and webinars. At the 2013 Fall Symposium in Cincinnati, ARIN had support from one sponsor and nine exhibitors. ARIN Board has agreed to work with inFocus on marketing efforts. Additional resources such as the *Strategic Partnership*

Opportunities brochure and a website section on “*Six Reasons Your Organization Will Support Your Attendance!*” are now available to assist ARIN and all members in participating and supporting ARIN.

Program Planning Committee: The most time-intensive ARIN committee, the members are appointed to a two year term. The committee meets for monthly conference calls and has successfully developed the 2013 Fall Symposium held in Cincinnati, OH, September and the 2014 Annual Convention in San Diego, CA. This Committee is particularly proud to be offering a renewed joint educational day with AVIR at the 2014 Convention.

Competency/Orientation Task Force: Chris Cavanaugh has taken on the leadership of this effort to refine the materials with a goal of July 2014 for updates.

Public Policy Representatives: ARIN is represented by Kieley Brinks, MBA, RN and Pauline Lentowski MSN, RN, CRN. These appointments are two year terms to review public policy related initiatives that ARIN receives and make recommendations to the Board for follow up.

Past Presidents’ Council: ARIN’s Past Presidents met at the 2013 Annual Convention in New Orleans and participated in discussions with the ARIN Board.

Webinar Committee: The Webinar Committee is tasked to bring radiology nursing educational opportunities online. They continue to plan and develop topics for quality webinars which are provided at a discount to ARIN members. Mike Wilson, MBA, BSN, RN and Karen Marshall, BSN, RN are the co-chairs. In 2014, the goal is to offer six high quality webinars.

Website Work Group: The Website Editor, Tabatha Fairchild, RN, continues to meet with the Website Work Group as well as staff on the new and improved ARIN website. Please visit at www.arinursing.org.

Radiological Nurses Certification Board (RNCB)

(For details on the activities of the RNCB see the Annual Reports.)

The RNCB was granted national accreditation of the Certified Radiology Nurse (CRN) exam by the Accreditation Board for Specialty Nursing Certification, Incorporated in July of 2013. The CRN exam was administered three times in the past year - April, May, and October. The RNCB reported that 173 people sat for the exam and approval of 124 nurses for recertification. Nurses that receive CRN certification are proudly listed in *Vision*. For more information on the CRN exam or RNCB, please visit their website at <http://certifiedradiologynurse.org>.

ARIN’S LIAISON RELATIONSHIPS *(For details on the activities of these groups see the Annual Reports.)*

Association for Medical Imaging Management (AHRA): Linda McDonald represents ARIN to AHRA. This association is multidiscipline and understands the critical role of radiologic and imaging nursing.

American Board of Radiology Foundation (ABRF): Christy Lee attended the “Safe Use in Medical Imaging: Developing a Systematic and Patient-Centered Approach” Summit. This multidisciplinary workgroup acknowledged the areas of concern for safety and opportunities for improvement.

American Nurses Association (ANA): ARIN has continued its membership in the American Nurses Association as an Organizational Affiliate (OA). This benefits members and keeps ARIN abreast of federal legislative and regulatory issues as well as patient safety issues. Karen Green participated in an ANA sponsored virtual meeting to discuss nursing specialties. More information on ANA member benefits can be found on the ARIN website. Christy Lee represented ARIN at the ANA liaison meeting in June 2013.

American College of Radiology (ACR): The Board agreed to consider the ACR a valuable resource for our members.

Association of Vascular and Interventional Radiographers (AVIR): The ARIN Program Planning Committee is pleased that this conference offers a collaboration and joint educational day with AVIR.

Nursing Organizations Alliance (The Alliance): Beth Hackett and Karen Green attended the Alliance Fall Summit in November 2013 in Minneapolis. The conference included information and resources for current legislative involvement, moving into the virtual world, and the present and future state of nursing. This coincided with an ANA meeting in the same city and was also attended by both Beth and Karen.

Nursing Alliance Leadership Academy (NALA): Kathy Baker and Brenda Boone attended the NALA meeting in August 2013 in Louisville, KY.

American Board of Radiology Foundation (ABRF): Christy Lee participated in the new initiative *Safe and Appropriate Use in Medical Imaging: Developing a Systematic and Patient-Centered Approach*; representing ARIN at the August 2012 and the March 2013 Summits.

Radiological Society of North America (RSNA): After careful consideration in late 2012, ARIN withdrew from the Associated Sciences Consortium to focus on other opportunities. We look forward to future association with the Associated Sciences Consortium.

Society of Interventional Radiology (SIR): Christine Keough, BSN, RN, CRN continued to serve as ARIN's contributing author to the SIR/ARIN/Association of periOperative Registered Nurses (AORN) Joint Practice Guideline for Sterile Task Force. Christy Lee represented ARIN on the SIR Standards of Practice Committee. The ARIN Board has additionally worked with the SIR Executive Director on possible collaborative sessions and a nursing track in their program. Beth Hackett, MSN, ACNP-BC, CRN submitted quarterly articles to The IR Quarterly.

Association for Vascular Access (AVA): Board member Chris Cavanaugh continues representing ARIN to the AVA group with efforts to collaborate, exchange speakers and further the common cause of nurses involved with vascular access.

RAD-AID: Emily Timmreck has represented ARIN in this non-profit organization dedicated to improving and expanding the availability and use of radiology in developing countries. RAD-AID International has had a successful year which includes the launch of a LMS system for online education and the hope is to include nursing education to this venue. In October 2013, several ARIN members participated in the RAD-AID conference in Baltimore, MD with ARIN sponsoring the cost of CEUs for nurses. Board member Katherine Duncan presented on the nursing role in international efforts. ARIN remains committed to supporting the efforts of RAD-AID.

MANAGEMENT SERVICES

In August 2013, Beth Hackett, as President of ARIN, signed a contract to employ Professional Management Associates, L.L.C. (PMA) as ARIN's management company. Founded in 1984, Professional Management Associates, L.L.C., is a full-service association management company to trade associations, professional societies, user groups, business networks, and membership organizations. PMA has grown steadily over the years, expanding its trade association management services to serve world-wide membership organizations and trade associations.

Professional Management Associates, L.L.C. is 1 of only 24 trade association management companies in the world to have been accredited by both the AMC Institute - a standard approved by the American National

Standards Institute - as well as the American Society of Association Executives & the Center for Association Leadership.

For more information on staff responsibilities, see the “contacts” section of the ARIN website or use the email address: info@arinursing.org.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Duncan

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