



## A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

# A Year Of Purpose, Progress, and Possibility

AS WE STEP INTO a new year, I find myself energized by the possibilities ahead for our profession and for the Nebraska Nurses Association. My first months as Executive Director have been filled with meaningful conversations—with nurses across our state. One theme continues to rise to the surface: Nebraska nurses are ready for forward momentum.

2026 offers us a fresh opportunity to build that momentum together.


This year, I'm looking forward to strengthening the connection between NNA and the nurses we serve. Whether through education, advocacy, or professional support, our goal is simple: to make sure every nurse feels seen, valued, and empowered. Your voice, your experience, and your leadership matter—and NNA is committed to creating more pathways for you to be heard.

We also enter this year with a renewed focus on advocacy. The nursing profession continues to evolve, and the needs of our workforce are changing just as quickly. When nurses come

together to speak with a unified voice, we can make meaningful progress on the issues that impact our patients, our practice, and our future. From legislative priorities to workplace well-being, 2026 will be a year of active engagement and collective action.

But beyond priorities and plans, what excites me most is the strength of our community. Nebraska nurses are resilient, compassionate, and fiercely dedicated to those they serve. My hope is that this year inspires each of us to step forward—whether by joining a committee, attending an event, mentoring someone new to the profession, or simply reconnecting with your professional community.

The work ahead is important, but we don't have to do it alone. Together, we can continue moving our profession forward with purpose and optimism.

Thank you for all you do and for the privilege of serving alongside you. I can't wait to see what we accomplish in 2026. 

## Housekeeping Items:

Need to update your contact information? This is a great time to keep your ANA-NNA account information up to date, so you don't miss our information getting to you. Here are a couple of ways to check your account:

- ANA.org (formerly nursing world)
- ANA Membership Department at 800-923-7709

We highly recommend using a personal email address as many organizations have significant firewalls that may put our communication in your spam folder. If you do use a work email please add us to your list of Safe Senders.

Membership Auto Renewal is super easy. It can be set up as a monthly or annual withdrawal. This

can be by checking account or a credit card. The recommendation is to use a checking account because this has no expiration date like a credit card. Therefore there is no need to remember to update your membership account when your credit card expires.

Have You set up your NNA Info Hub Account? This is the MEMBERS ONLY section of the NNA website (<http://www.nebraskanurses.org/>) where you will find member resources such as upcoming events, past and present Nebraska Nurse issues, Bylaws, Legislative testimony & letters Plus forums to connect with other members and more!! It's easy — Go to the NNA website and look for the member login on the upper right side, it will walk you through the set up. 