

Section: Committee Responsibility

Number: 102.5

Subject: Governmental Affairs/Professional Liaison

Origin Date: 10/97

Purpose: To monitor local and state legislative and regulatory issues, and establish a strong communication network between ASPAN and SCAPAN regarding legislative and nursing issues. To develop and establish a strong network with professional organizations that link and interact with the practice of perianesthesia nursing.

Roles & Responsibilities:

1. All members maintain a personal membership in ASPAN/SCAPAN
2. One committee member will maintain a South Carolina Nurses Association membership funded by SCAPAN as funds permit.
3. Develop liaison with other state nursing organizations to facilitate legislative concerns.
4. Review all national legislative information and follow through on all recommended actions.
5. Monitor legislative activities pertaining to nursing and recommend appropriate board action. Promote legislative action education.
6. Establish and maintain networking with the South Carolina Society of Anesthesiologists. Offer a yearly invitation to their delegate to speak and/or attend SCAPAN conferences.
7. Ensure SCAPAN involvement and/or appearance at appropriate functions pertinent to maintaining and establishing a professional network.
8. Offers to specialty organizations the resources of SCAPAN as a means of establishing and maintaining professional rapport.
9. Submits at least 2 articles per year for publication in Palmetto Pulse.

Review/Revise: 1/02; 4/06; 9/09; 6/11