

# OUTCOMES

## THE E-NEWSLETTER OF DOCTORS OF NURSING PRACTICE, INC.



Welcome to all readers of OUTCOMES, and welcome to all as we move into the spring season. This issue includes focal topics of interest to all that apply evidence to practice in order to improve outcomes. There are many activities taking place both within DNP Inc. and other advanced practice nursing organization that highlight the successes of the DNP prepared professional. Check out the [Events Page](#) for more information. We welcome contributors to OUTCOMES. If you or someone you know would like to share an article, [please see the guidelines](#) and [contact us](#) any time.



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## THE NINTH NATIONAL DOCTORS OF NURSING PRACTICE CONFERENCE: BALTIMORE OCTOBER 5-7, 2016



### Transforming Healthcare Through Collaboration

## Baltimore Marriott Inner Harbor at Camden Yards

Join colleagues at this year's event to celebrate successful methods of collaboration to improve health care outcomes and explore future opportunities and challenges.

### PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP PRESENTERS

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Where do Advanced Practice Nurses stand in the analysis of supply and demand for non-primary care specialty clinics? The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) and the National Center for Health Workforce Analysis offer some insights.

Projecting the Supply of Non-Primary Care Specialty and Subspecialty Clinicians: 2010-2025  
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Our physician colleagues may not want a doctorally prepared nurse to use the title of doctor based on the premise that it may confuse the patient and adversely affect services. This has been an ongoing discussion in the DNP online community. Have you seen data from the American Medical Association's survey regarding titling and possible confusion or roles? It's an interesting review of a perspective that impacts our collective inter-disciplinary approach to service delivery.

Truth in Advertising: 2008 and 2010 Survey Results  
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Are we as doctorally prepared nurses truly translating research into practice? The process is not simple, and the stakes are high. Click here to see an editorial by a physician colleague criticizing the medical community for being too reluctant to accept findings from well-designed treatment trials as a basis for clinical decision-making. The tenets of these comments are pertinent to the nursing discipline also.

Do Physicians Drag Their Feet in Taking New Research into Practice?

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How many times have you heard someone describe a Nurse Practitioner as the same as a Physician Assistant? If this a bad comparison or is it an inevitable professional discussion? See the thoughts of these authors in a 2013 publication of The Journal of Nursing Administration.

Hiring Into Advanced Practice Positions: The Nurse Practitioner Versus Physician Assistants Debate

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Do you prescribe controlled substances for patients in chronic pain? The CDC recently published extensive guidelines that all prescribers should understand when working with the patient population and sensitive category of medications.

CDC Guidelines for Prescribing Opioids for Chronic Pain - United States, 2016

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**Extra Extra continued**

Congratulations to our NP colleagues in West Virginia. They are very close to removing barriers to allow them to utilize the full scope of their training. See more about the great success in that state.

West Virginia Nurses Finally Prevail  
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As a follow up to the legislative success of NP colleagues in West Virginia, the director of health care policy and legislative affairs published an article for the West Virginia Medical Journal. Interesting and compelling information is provided that speaks to all states. Recommended reading for all NP colleagues.

APRN's Quest for Independence:  
The Public Health Perspective  
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## MARCH 2016 DNP, INC SURVEY RESULTS

The March 2016 Survey Results from the informal data collection reveal some interesting characteristics of readers like you.

- **21%** of respondents work in an academic setting and do not have contact with patients or work in a patient care setting.
- **33%** report working in an academic setting yet have regular contact with patients as a part of their faculty practice.
- **70%** of respondents report that clinical practice influences their work in academia (and **30%** report not at all or minimally).
- **77%** report that their academic employer requires proficiency in the practice of nursing.

This survey reflects who we are and who we are not regarding the dual roles of practice and academia. Thank you to all that participated in the March survey.

Click [HERE](#) to take April 2016 survey





# ORGANIZATIONAL UPDATE

In March we rolled out a new feature that encourages all **University DNP Programs** to enter and update information about their college or university. This is a positive step for all programs allowing for an easy change in information as needed, and takes out the middleman of the web designer in updating content. All schools are in the process of being contacted and invited to follow up so that the DNP Inc. organization can share your username and password. Information including accreditation can be selected and displayed easily. For more information contact us at [info@doctorsofnursingpractice.org](mailto:info@doctorsofnursingpractice.org).

Phase 2 of this effort continues to be the development of the **Doctoral Project Repository**. Challenges in how the data will be displayed are being addressed. The process will involve an independent entry of information, then a blinded review with feedback, and if the submission meets the established criteria it will be displayed on the web site with a unique URL address that can be shared as desired. This will help to promote the archiving in a robust repository and assist in the dissemination of doctoral prepared work. We are looking forward to this becoming a reality soon.

## CONVERSATIONS OVERHEARD IN THE DNP ONLINE COMMUNITY:

### Strengths or Weaknesses in DNP Diversity

Clinicians, Administrators, and Educators "roles" reflect a diversity within the degree. Some have suggested that the DNP degree has been diluted as a result. What do you think?

<http://doctorsofnursingpractice.ning.com/forum/topics/strength-or-weakness-in-dnp>

### The Reality of the DNP Degree

You can do "this" but you can't do "that" with this degree. Share your thoughts on the limitations and opportunities as a result of this degree.

<http://doctorsofnursingpractice.ning.com/forum/topics/the-reality-of-the-dnp-degree>

### DNP Studies and Working Full Time: Strategies for Survival

...how to plan studies around work and life. See and share your thoughts and suggestions.

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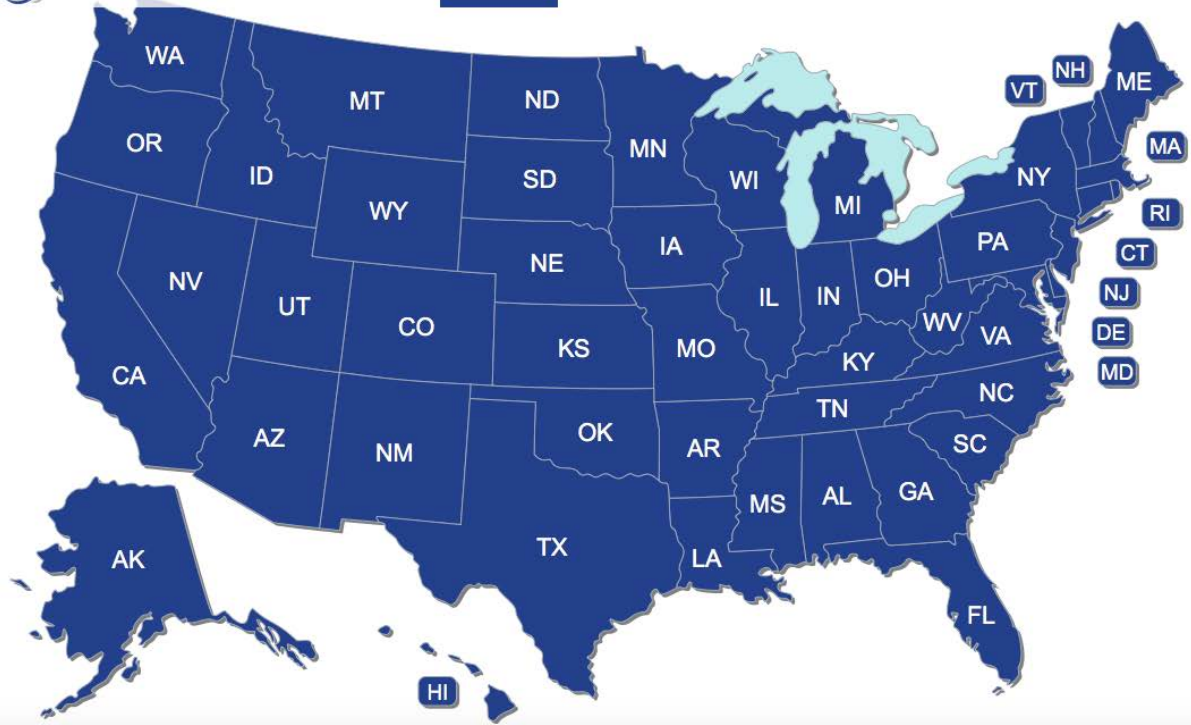
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[info@doctorsofnursingpractice.org](mailto:info@doctorsofnursingpractice.org) .



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