

ADVANTAGES OF BELONGING

Time savings, protection of your interests, and professional peace of mind

- Analysis of hundreds of legislative proposals and expert policy input in government forums to guard your rights, compensation, and full scope of practice
- Organized influence and affiliations focused on creating the future nurses want and the public needs

Networking

- Meet nurses and learn about all the places nurses work.
- Peer support, sharing of ideas and best practices
- ANA Nurse Space, connect with other ANA members through our online professional network
- Connect on Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn to CNA and ANA
- Nominate your friends/family/co-workers for one of our Diamond Jubilee Awards

Valuable news, tips, and information resources at your fingertips or a call away when you need them

- *Connecticut Nursing News Flash, weekly*
- *Member Update*
- *The American Nurse, American Nurse Today, bi monthly and monthly*
- *Online Journal of Issues in Nursing*
- *SmartBrief*, daily e-newsletter that includes a brief synopsis of key nursing and healthcare stories from sources around the country.

A Manual for Advanced Practice Nurses In Connecticut (discounted)

- ANA's online bookstore: **\$**savings on >100 publications including Standards for nursing for over 30 practice areas
- Access to ANA staff experts
- Access to CNA and Member experts
- Members only section on
 - CNA at www.ctnurses.org and,
 - ANA at www.nursingworld.org
- Confidential workplace rights and safety consultation
- Confidential line for nurses to call and receive assistance from HAVEN and Nurses for Nurses
- Access to Factsheets, tips cards and toolkits to help guide you in your work with patients and colleagues

Leadership opportunities

- Ability to serve as a CNA Officer or Committee Chairperson
- Affiliation with ANA Councils
- CNA Committee member
- Attendance at the Annual Business Meeting and special meetings of CNA
- Participate in Professional Issues Panels

Advancement in nursing practice

- Via research, education, and scholarships

Career-building and career investment opportunities

- Nursing Scholarships Available
- Discounts on CNA-provided Continuing Nursing Education Programs
- Free or Discounts on ANA – online Continuing Nursing Education Programs
- Savings on ANCC certification or recertification for specialty certification exams

Medical Assistance

- Connecticut Nurses' Association, Elizabeth Kirk Fund, provides assistance to members who have out-of-pocket medical expenses