

Association of Veterans Affairs Nurse Anesthetists

NCC Supports Increased Investments in Nursing Education, Workforce, and Research

December 22, 2020

The Nursing Community Coalition (NCC) commends Congress for passing a COVID-19 relief effort and for supporting increases to Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs and National Institute of Nursing Research in Fiscal Year (FY) 2021. The NCC looks forward to working with the 117th Congress and incoming Administration as we continue to support our current and future nursing workforce in 2021 and beyond.

[Read full statement.](#)

NCC Sends Letter to Congressional Leadership Reinforcing COVID-19 Priorities

November 20, 2020

Fifty-nine members of the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC) sent a letter to Congressional Leadership reinforcing our shared COVID-19 priorities to be included in any pandemic legislative relief package before the end of the 116th Congress.

[Read full letter here.](#)

NCC Sends Letter to Appropriators Updating FY 2021 Funding Requests

November 20, 2020

Sixty-two members of the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC) sent a letter to the House and Senate Appropriations Committees requesting at least \$269.972 for Title VIII Nursing Workforce and Development Programs and at least \$177.976 for the National Institute of Nursing Research for Fiscal Year (FY) 2021. The undersigned organizations also reiterated their request for additional supplemental funding for these programs.

[Read full letter here.](#)

NCC Sends Letter to Next Administration's Transition Team

November 13, 2020

Sixty-three members of the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC) sent a letter to the Biden-Harris Transition Team welcoming the opportunity to serve as a resource to the Biden Administration and outlining key priorities to promote America's health through the nursing lens. In this letter, the NCC strongly encourages the Transition Team to include nurses in every step of the process, in all possible conversations, and among taskforces, commissions, committees, councils, and federal boards.

[Read full letter here.](#)

NCC Sends Letter to Congress supporting the Future Advancement of Academic Nursing (FAAN) Act (S.4396/H.R.7945)

September 30, 2020

Fifty-three members of the Nursing Community Coalition sent a letter to House and Senate Leadership and key Congressional Committees expressing support for the Future Advancement of Academic Nursing (FAAN) Act (S.4396/H.R.7945) and encouraging its inclusion in the next COVID-19 legislative relief package.

[Read full letter here.](#)

NCC Urges Senate and House Veterans' Affairs Committees to Advance the U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps Service Recognition Act

September 11, 2020

Sixty-one members of the Nursing Community Coalition signed onto letters to the Senate and House Veterans' Affairs Committees urging them to support and advance S.997/H.R. 2056 - United States Cadet Nurse Corps Service Recognition Act of 2019.

[Read House letter.](#)

[Read Senate letter.](#)

NCC Sends Letter Welcoming the New NINR Director, Dr. Shannon Zenk

August 31, 2020

The Nursing Community Coalition sent a letter welcoming the new National Institute of Nursing Research's (NINR) Director, Dr. Shannon Zenk. The NCC has a long tradition of working with NINR by promoting the work of nurse scientists, advocating for investments in research and future researchers, and sharing the Institute's foundational work to improve healthcare delivery across the care continuum.

[Read full letter here.](#)

NCC Reiterates COVID-19 Priorities to Congress

August 18, 2020

The Nursing Community Coalition reiterates their shared priorities in a letter sent to House and Senate Leadership and key Congressional Committees outlining additional priorities for any COVID-19 legislative package.

[Read full letter here.](#)

NCC Sends Letter to Congress Outlining Additional COVID-19 Priorities

July 29, 2020

Fifty-seven members of the Nursing Community Coalition sent a letter to House and Senate Leadership and key Congressional Committees outlining additional priorities for any COVID-19 legislative package.

[Read full letter here.](#)

NCC Sends Letter to CMS on COVID-19 Blanket Waivers

July 15, 2020

Forty-five members of the Nursing Community Coalition signed onto a letter urging CMS to continue to remove barriers to practice, encourage innovation, and ensure that our patients have access to the highest quality nursing care by extending, and making permanent, waivers beyond this Public Health Emergency (PHE).

[Read full letter here.](#)

NCC Sends Letter to Appropriators Reiterating FY 2021 Funding Request

June 22, 2020

Sixty-one members of the Nursing Community Coalition signed onto a letter to the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittees on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education reiterating our shared funding request of at least \$278 million for the Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs and at least \$182 million for the National Institute of Nursing Research for Fiscal Year 2021.

[Read House letter.](#)

[Read Senate letter.](#)

NCC Requests the President Reconsider Decision to Withdraw from the World Health Organization

June 4, 2020

The Nursing Community Coalition is deeply concerned with the President's decision to terminate the U.S. relationship with the World Health Organization (WHO) and strongly urges to President to reconsider.

[Read full statement.](#)

NCC Members United in Fight against Racism and Injustice

June 2020

Members of the Nursing Community Coalition stand united in the fight against racial inequality and injustice. We call for America to be better and pledge to do all we can in that cause.

[Read full statement.](#)

NCC Sends Letter to Administration Supporting Directive 1899 and Full Practice Authority for CRNAs at the VA

May 18, 2020

Forty-seven members of the Nursing Community Coalition sent a letter to the Administration supporting the Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) Directive 1899 to remove barriers to practice and allow for Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) to practice to the full extent of their education and abilities.

[Read full letter here.](#)

NCC Sends Letter to Congress Outlining Additional COVID-19 Priorities

April 28, 2020

Fifty-seven members of the Nursing Community Coalition sent a letter to House and Senate Leadership thanking them for their work to combat COVID-19 and outlining additional priorities for any future COVID-19 legislative package.

[Read full letter here.](#)

NCC Submits Testimony to Senate Appropriations Subcommittee

April 23, 2020

Sixty members of the Nursing Community Coalition signed on to written testimony submitted to the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education. The testimony featured the coalition's funding requests of \$278 million for the Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs and \$182 million for the National Institute of Nursing Research for Fiscal Year 2021.

[Read full testimony.](#)

NCC Statement on CARES Act Becoming Law

March 27, 2020

The Nursing Community Coalition commends Congress and the Administration for their quick and decisive action to pass and sign into law, H.R. 748 – the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, which includes a number of shared NCC priorities.

[Read full statement.](#)

Forty Senators Support FY 2021 Funding for Title VIII in Senate Dear Colleague

March 24, 2020

Forty Senators signed onto a Senate Dear Colleague letter circulated by Senate Nursing Caucus Co-Chair, Senator Jeff Merkley (D-OR) requesting \$278 million for Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs in FY 2021.

[Read full letter here.](#)

NCC Submits Testimony to House Appropriation Subcommittee

March 23, 2020

Fifty-eight members of the Nursing Community Coalition signed onto written testimony submitted to the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education. The testimony featured the coalition's funding requests of \$278 million for the Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs and \$182 million for the National Institute of Nursing Research for Fiscal Year 2021.

[Read full testimony.](#)

NCC Steering Committee Sends Letter to Congress Outlining COVID-19 Legislative Priorities

March 19, 2020

The Nursing Community Coalition Steering Committee sent a letter to House and Senate Leadership outlining NCC's shared priorities for any COVID-19 legislative package. The NCC remains committed to addressing these key issues as we combat this public health crisis.

[Read full letter here.](#)

More than 100 Representatives Support FY 2021 Funding for Title VIII in House Dear Colleague Letter

March 13, 2020

One hundred and six Representatives signed onto a House Dear Colleague letter circulated by Representatives Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR), Rodney Davis (R-IL), and Tulsi Gabbard (D-HI) requesting \$278 million for Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs in FY 2021.

[Read full letter here.](#)

NCC Sends Appropriations Request to House and Senate LHHS-ED Appropriations Subcommittees

March 2, 2020

57 members of the Nursing Community Coalition signed onto letters to the House and Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies outlining the funding request levels of \$278 million for Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs and \$182 million for the National Institute of Nursing Research for FY 2021.

[Read House letter.](#)

[Read Senate letter.](#)

NCC Urges Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee to Advance S.997- U.S. Cadet Nurse Corps Service Recognition Act

February 28, 2020

60 members of the Nursing Community Coalition signed onto a letter to the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee urging them to support and advance S.997 - United States Cadet Nurse Corps Service Recognition Act of 2019.

[Read full letter here.](#)

NCC Statement on Year of the Nurse and the Midwife Resolutions

February 14, 2020

The Nursing Community Coalition (NCC) thanks the United States Senate and House of Representatives for introducing S. Res. 500 and H. Res. 859, resolutions honoring the Year of the Nurse and the Midwife.

[Read full letter here.](#)

NCC Statement on the President's Fiscal Year 2021 Budget

February 10, 2020

The Nursing Community Coalition (NCC) opposes the severe cuts made to key domestic and health care programs such as Title VIII Nursing Workforce Development Programs and the National Institute of Nursing Research in the Administration's Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 budget. In addition, the NCC commends the President's investment in the United States Public Health Service Commissioned Corps and the additional funding for the Indian Health Service.

[Read full statement.](#)

NCC Provides Feedback to CMS on Scope of Practice

January 17, 2020

53 members of the Nursing Community Coalition responded to a CMS request for feedback on removing Scope of Practice barriers, particularly in regard to Section 5 of the President's recent Executive Order (EO) #13890 on Protecting and Improving Medicare for Our Nation's Seniors.

[Read full letter here.](#)