

The Nursing Community Coalition 2020

“The Nursing Community Coalition includes 63 members that are the cross section of education, practice, research, and regulation within the nursing profession.

We believe that the healthcare delivery system should be one that promotes wellness, advances research through scientific discovery, and provides timely access to care across the continuum.

With over four million licensed Registered Nurses (RNs), Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs), and nursing students, the profession embodies the drive and passion to continually improve care for patients, families, and communities.”

The Association of Rehabilitation Nurses (ARN) is one of those 63 members.

Over the past six months the NCC has responded and advocated for the following:

- COVID-19 priorities
- COVID-19 blanket waivers
- Appropriations FY 2021 funding
- Fight against racism and injustice
- Reconsideration of decision to withdraw from the WHO
- Full practice authority for CRNAs at the VA
- The CARES act becoming law

Check out the main page using this link, <https://www.thenursingcommunity.org/>, to view the letters related to this advocacy. Log into your Twitter account and join @RN_Community to take a look at efforts to honor nurses throughout this Year of the Nurse and Midwife.

ARN

ARN issues briefs that support our legislative agenda times. See link:

<https://rehabnurse.org/about/advocacy/arn-issue-briefs>

The following are current ARN issue briefs:

- Support the Better Care, Lower Cost Act
- Support Appropriate Quality Measures and Outcomes Across the Post-Acute Care Continuum
- Bolster the Nation's Nursing Workforce
- Support Increased Funding for Rehabilitation and Nursing Research
- Support an Increase in Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Funding
- Support Continued Chronic Care Reform

Now is the time to become knowledgeable about rehab related legislative efforts and be engaged in supporting these efforts by ‘walking the walk, and talking the talk.’