

licensure requirements as well as the specialty correctional health professional and correctional nurse certifications by the NCCHC and the ACA. I know I say it every month, but what you do every day truly does make an impact on our patients' health and lives.

National Commission on Correctional Health Care's Spring Conference in St. Louis, MO. It was really really good to see old friends and make some new ones. Representing the Nurse Advisory Council for NCCHC, Mary Muse, Brenda Fields, Patricia Blair and I presented a pre-conference session about correctional nursing education and the use of Case Studies to develop critical thinking. We included how to develop your own case studies for use with staff at your facility. The participants were especially interactive,

April was a busy month, the culmination of which was the

This year ACNA had an exhibit booth, and I was fortunate to be part of the team that "manned the booth." What fun it was to meet correctional nurses, and our colleagues who support correctional nursing, from all across the US. Many still don't know that the ACNA is the professional organization for correctional nurses of all licensures. If you haven't yet joined, what are you waiting for?! Member benefits include a quarterly Newsletter, accredited continuing education offerings that are free for members and of course, our monthly Open Forum; and we continue to add more.

Here is your personal invitation to join us as we advocate for and become the voice of correctional nursing.

Newsworthy Notes

and it was a great, great session.

The next American Correctional Nurses Association OPEN FORUM to be held on May 16, 2024. Our topic will be Correctional Nursing in Prisons. We have been having some very interesting conversations, and I invite you to become a member of ACNA and attend our Open Forum. Check out the website!

Upcoming conferences

American Jail Association Conference in Fort Lauderdale, FL May 18-22, 2024

NCCHC Mental Health Conference in Puerto Rico July 21st and 22nd.

American Correctional Association August 15-18, 2024 in Nashville, TN.

CorrectionalNurse.Net

This month at **CorrectionalNurse.Net** we will be discussing Communication for Patient Safety and Thyroid Disorders.

As always, announcements for new blog posts will be posted on our FaceBook pages and on Instagram.

Please FOLLOW US and check back often to ensure that you get notification of new posts!

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Correctional Nurse Educator

Educator is one of our updated classes - Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease for the Correctional Nurse. I hope you enjoy it!

Our 50% off featured class this month at The Correctional Nurse

Our Nurse's Week Bundle for 2024 is available NOW! The Bundle will be available for purchase at the ridiculous price of \$75.00 for 20 continuing education hours, but only during Nurses Week - May 6-12, 2024. After that, it will be available at the still-very-reduced price of \$149.00.

group to provide quality, accredited continuing education classes at a discounted and affordable cost.

Remember The Correctional Nurse Educator will work with your

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This month at **Nursing Behind the Wall** we will be discussing a woman with fatigue and a rash on her face.

Nursing Behind the Wall

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profession of Correctional Nursing is unique and sometimes challenging, but always very important to our patients. The impact we make is farreaching, even if it is not always evident as we care for our patients. I have ALWAYS been proud to say that I am a Correctional Nurse – I hope that you are as well!

In closing, I appreciate you taking the time to read this newsletter, and I

hope that you will find our sites interesting and educational. Our





