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Dear Wyoming ENA Member,

I would like this opportunity to introduce myself and the 2010-2012 Wyoming ENA staff who will be representing you and your interests.

- President – Kelly Jackson
- Vice-President – Julie Norlin
- Treasurer/Secretary – Kay Herndon
- Government Affairs – Kay Herndon
- ENPC Chairperson – Keith VanBrunt
- TNCC Chairperson – Lisa VanBrunt

We will be having quarterly ENA meetings and updating our website (www.wyomingena.org) so that it reflects our current officers. At this first meeting, we would like to establish some priorities to help us govern this next year.

ENA turned 40 in December! The co-founders Judith Kelleher and Anita Dorr saw the need for nurses involved in emergency health care to pool their resources in order to set standards and develop improved methods of effective emergency nursing practice. Reflecting on our vision, mission, and objectives of the larger organization will help us align and move forward during this year of healthcare uncertainty.

- ENA is indispensable to the global emergency nursing community.
- The mission of the Emergency Nurses Association is to advocate for patient safety and excellence in emergency nursing practice (www.ena.org/about/mission/Pages/Default.aspx?PF=1).

We will use those as our starting point to help move Wyoming ENA forward. Our vision is “ENA leads the way in knowledge, resources, and responsiveness for emergency nurses, their patients and families. “Your mission is ENA’s mission: to provide high-quality, compassionate emergency care to your patients, along with visionary leadership that supports, promotes, and protects the emergency nursing profession” (www.wyomingena.org/membership.html).

With healthcare changes on the horizon and much uncertainty, one thing is sure ENA will be advocating for what is best for emergency nursing. Currently Congress and the Administration are attempting to merge two reform bills. “Their decisions will shape healthcare in America for generations, making the incredible passion you have shown through this journey needed now more than ever before,” (www.aha.org). We will attempt to give you information related to your practice as the bills proceed.

Please feel free to contact us at www.wyomingena.org/contactus.aspx .

Cordially,

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President, Wyoming ENA