

General Assembly Resolution 2
ANA\CA Advanced Practice Nursing Titles

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Uniform Advanced Practice Nursing Titling Language

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1. Whereas, there are currently multiple advanced practice nursing titles as Clinical Nurse Specialist, Nurse Anesthetist, Nurse Practitioner, and Nurse Midwife,
2. Whereas, all advanced practice nurses have the right to be reimbursed at an equitable fee for services performed,
3. Whereas, the current structure does not always provide for equal reimbursement for services under public and private reimbursement programs,
4. Whereas, there is currently a movement within the nursing community to identify all advanced practice nurses by a single uniform title,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the American Nurses Association\California will:

1. Acknowledge the current advanced practice nursing titles of Clinical Nurse Specialist, Nurse Anesthetist, Nurse Practitioner, and Certified Nurse Midwife.
2. Commit to working with the American Nurses Association to identify one universally recognized and financially reimbursable advanced practice nursing title.
3. Advocate nursing involvement in policy development and decision-making related to obtaining one universally recognized and financially reimbursable advanced practice nursing title.

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