



Massachusetts School Nurse Outlook

The Mission of the Massachusetts School Nurse Organization is to promote and advance quality school health services throughout the Commonwealth and to promote the rights, interests and professional growth of its members.

© 2010 MASSACHUSETTS
SCHOOL NURSE ORGANIZATION
SEPTEMBER 2010

President's Message: Voice, Vision, Visibility— Advancing School Health Services in Massachusetts

Inside this issue

- President's Message ..** 1-3
- Thank You!** 1
- Vote No** 3
- Membership News** 4
- Legislative News**5
- Open House**5
- Newsletter Deadline** 5
- Fall Conference** 5
- BORN Centennial** 5
- Call for Abstracts**2
- President's Report** 7-8
- Member News** 8
- Be the Beat** 9
- Calming & Coping** 9
- Rx Drug Card** 10
- Board Meetings** 10
- New Members** 10
- 42nd NASN Conf** 11-12
- MASNRN**13
- Notes from NASN** 14
- Past President** 16-17

Mimi Stamer, BSN, MSN, PNP-BC
President, MSNO

Dear colleagues,

As summer winds down I greet you with the excitement of anticipation, renewed hope, and a clear vision for a new school year and the journey ahead for MSNO. Your membership in MSNO, the state affiliate of the National Association of School Nurses (NASN), demonstrates your commitment to school nursing and support for our professional goals. The NASN Board of Directors recently approved a revision to the definition of school nursing as follows:

“School nursing is a specialized practice of professional nursing that advances the well-being, academic success and life-long achievement and health of students. To that end, school nurses facilitate positive student responses to normal development; promote health and safety, including a healthy environment; intervene with actual and potential health problems; provide case management services; and actively collaborate with others to build student and family capacity for adaptation, self-management, self advocacy, and learning.” (NASN, 2010)

As I focus my thoughts on the year ahead and the work to be done, I continue with a leadership theme for MSNO of Voice, Vision, Visibility... the advancement of school health services in Massachusetts. My vision is that MSNO will be a leader in advocacy for school health services and the es-

(continued on next page)

Thank You!

We thank the following MSNO Board members for completing their terms of office and/or volunteering their time and service to MSNO in 2009-2010. We look forward to your continued involvement in MSNO.

Barbara Doucette, President-Elect

Patty Wright, NASN Director

Sue Glenney, Vice President

Rita Ingrisano, Region IX co-chair

Ann Farrell, Region IX co-chair

Judy Aubin, Region X chair

Maureen Graham, Region VII co-chair

Joan Scheid, Region VI co-chair

Paula Dowd, Vendor co-chair

Jane Kisielius, Vendor co-chair

Beth Hocking, Constant Contact

Louise Preti, Collaborative Schools

Beth Thomson, Archives

Robbie Cobbett, Membership

Marie DeSisto, Public Relations

Links to Advertisers this Issue

[Snap Heath Center](#)

[MacGill](#)

[School Nurse Supply](#)

Not a member? Click here to join.