Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) Day at the Capitol-2017

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On February 3, 2017, Texas State University MSN-FNP (Family Nurse Practitioner) students joined over 300 RNs, APRNs and APRN students for the first public debut of the APRN Alliance—a partnership of advanced practice registered nurse organizations who seek to advance common interest through a unified voice. The alliance consists of the Texas Nurses Association, Texas Nurse Practitioners, Texas Association of Nurse Anesthetist, Consortium of Texas Certified Nurse Midwives, and Texas Clinical Nurse Specialists. These five organizations sponsored their first joint activity--APRN Legislative Day.

The event was sold out. Following the program, participants visited legislative offices in the Capitol. Legislative staff heard our unified voice and priorities for the 2017 legislative session. A second Day at the Capitol is planned for April, 2017.

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