Presidents Message
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Dear NCVPRN members and Cardiopulmonary Professionals,

My feet have hit the ground running! The new legislation for Cardiac and Pulmonary Rehabilitation become law on January 1, 2010. As the legislation becomes clearly defined and interpreted by our Medicare Administrative Contractor or J-5, staying in contact with each other is vital to our programs continued success both financially and following legally established guidelines.

Nebraska has been recognized as one of the top states in the nation in getting physician referrals and more importantly clients in our Rehabilitation programs. It is through our professional relationships with those doctors, patients and one another that we can remain in position to give the best care possible for those we work with. Also, because of the work that AACVPR and NCVPRN have done in the past through research and legislative missions our clients will continue to have the best practice outcomes possible in Cardiac and Pulmonary rehabilitation.

But we need you...to continue to keep Nebraska strong it takes many of us working together in an organized manner through NCVPRN and AACVPR to maintain the level of excellence we bring to our rehab fields.

Members can benefit in NCVPRN by:
* Network discussions with Cardiac and Pulmonary colleagues.
* Continuing educational opportunities at a reduced price for members.
* Applying for webinars that are sponsored by NCVPRN that allow you to receive education at your home site.
*Opportunities for growth and leadership in serving on committees, as chair or on the State Board of officers.

*Members have available online reference tools that were developed to guide our practice.

*Sharing of education and information and building of relationships with other state programs thru the TriNetwork Conferences.

*Members only messaging via our Yahoo list serve.

*Sharing of information and best practices for Cardiac and Pulmonary programs to become nationally certified.

*Promotion of Cardiac and Pulmonary Rehabilitation Weeks and sharing of ideas for statewide celebrations.

Each member of your state board stands committed to bringing you the information you need to complete your daily duties.

Thank you to all of you who are current members of NCVPRN. If you are not a member, please won’t you consider joining us in our work? I can be reached at 402-395-3156 or email mdswant@megavision.com. I will be very happy to help you join or visit with you about any concerns or questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Angela Swantek
NCVPRN President