



**Updates from NAPNAP Partners for Vulnerable Youth**  
*Partners working together for vulnerable children*

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### Founding Partners Updates

\* Founding Partners: Please send your organization's updates to [info@napnappartners.org](mailto:info@napnappartners.org) and we'll be happy to include them in future newsletters.

### Happy Holidays!

The board and staff of NAPNAP Partners for Vulnerable Youth wish you all a happy and healthy holiday season filled with fellowship and good cheer! An early happy new year and best wishes for a productive and successful 2020, the Year of the Nurse!

### NAPNAP Partners' Alliance for Children in Trafficking (ACT) Advocates Update

More than 200 ACT Advocates have been trained in 2019 by founding Partners **Emergency Nursing Association (ENA)**, the **American Association of Nurse Practitioners (AANP)** and the **National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP)**. Thank you for supporting this program. To inquire to host an ACT Advocate training workshop, please email [info@napnappartners.org](mailto:info@napnappartners.org). Hosting a training is great way to engage your members during your conference. Future ACT Advocate trainings are planned for NAPNAP's 2020 national conference and the [New Mexico Nurse Practitioner Council](#). For information on how to become an ACT Advocate, please go to the [ACT Advocates page](#). An online version of the ACT Advocate training is also available through [NAPNAP's PedsCE<sup>SM</sup>](#) if you want to train your members online. ACT Advocates are healthcare providers who, after completing a specifically designed curriculum on trafficking, conduct education sessions for their peers at hospitals, clinics and primary care offices as well as local/state conferences and events.



NAPNAP Partners President Raji Koppolu presents on human trafficking for advanced practice provider Grand Rounds at Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford in Palo Alto, Calif.

### Shared Hope International Releases 2019 State Grades

Shared Hope International recently released its 9th Annual [Protected Innocence Challenge](#) State Grades and Toolkit along with [Seeking Justice](#), a comprehensive resource for understanding the various statutory approaches states have taken to eliminate a minor's criminal liability for their sexual victimization. Each year since 2011, Shared Hope has analyzed the strength of each state's laws addressing child sex trafficking. Ten states have raised their grades from 2018, and 15 states now have an "A" grade. Find out how your state is doing in the 2019 report.

### Thank You to Our Generous Donors and Supporters

The work of NAPNAP Partners and the Alliance for Children in Trafficking would not be possible without the generous support of our donors and volunteers. Thank you to everyone who contributed throughout the year. A very special thank you to the following organizations and individuals for their support of our year-end efforts.

- The **Pediatric Nursing Certification Board (PNCB)** for being the first partner to donate to our year-end campaign.
- **Cassandra Newall**, our top ACT Advocate fundraiser, who has raised more than \$600 to date.
- **Linda Lewin and the University of Toledo Student Nurses Association**, who raised money for NAPNAP Partners as part of their fall two-day human trafficking conference.

- **Eileen Arnold-Ley, Beth Bolick, Brenda Cassidy, Nancy Cavanaugh and Jessica Peck** for creating Facebook fundraisers as part of our first ever Giving Tuesday campaign.

It's not too late to show your financial support of NAPNAP Partners and the Alliance for Children in Trafficking before Dec. 31, the end of our fiscal year. You can easily donate the amount of your choice to our [GoFundMe Charity](#) campaign. It only takes a few minutes and every contribution is much appreciated.

## National News

### Survey on Trafficking Prevention Education

The [Radical Empathy Education Foundation](#) is conducting a survey of human trafficking awareness / prevention education vendors with the goal of improving the results of all organizations. The survey will remain open until Dec. 31. If you are involved in trafficking prevention education, you can take the survey at [reefcares.org/survey](http://reefcares.org/survey). All respondents will receive an emailed copy of the survey results.

### Polaris Project Advocacy Call to Action

The U.S. Department of Labor has put forth a proposal changing the way temporary work visas, H-2As, operate. The proposed changes would increase vulnerability to debt bondage, a key control tool of traffickers, and allow farm owners to “self-inspect” the housing they provide workers. These changes could make legal immigrant workers more vulnerable to traffickers. Polaris Project is asking concerned citizens to [Take Action](#) against these proposed changes and help make temporary work visa programs safe.

## NAPNAP Partners Founding Members—Thank You for Your Support!

National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners	National Association of Hispanic Nurses-Illinois
American Academy of Pediatrics	National Association of Nurse Practitioners in Women's Health
American Association of Nurse Practitioners	National Association of School Nurses
American Nurses Association	National Nurse-Led Care Consortium
American Organization of Nurse Executives	National Student Nurses' Association
American Pediatric Surgical Nurses Association	Organization for Associate Degree Nursing
Asian American Pacific Islander Nurses Association	Partnership for Male Youth
Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses	Pediatric Nursing Certification Board
Children's Hospital Association	School-Based Health Alliance
Emergency Nurses Association	Shared Hope International
HEAL Trafficking, Inc.	Society of Pediatric Nurses

National, state and local organizations focused on improving the health and safety of vulnerable children are welcome to become a [partner of NAPNAP Partners](#) or a [supporter of the Alliance](#). There are no fees or dues to become a partner.

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