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THE NATIONAL DATABASE OF NURSING QUALITY INDICATORS® REACHES 1500 HOSPITALS

SILVER SPRING, MD – The American Nurses Association (ANA) is proud to announce that 1,500 hospitals now participate in the National Database of Nursing Quality Indicators® (NDNQI®), that figure represents 25% of all hospitals in the U.S. The accumulated data from those institutions serve to provide valuable insight on nursing workforce and patient outcomes that are related to nursing care.

“ANA has a long-standing commitment to promoting nursing quality as a means of improving patient safety,” said ANA President Rebecca M. Patton, MSN, RN, CNOR. “Reaching this milestone of 1,500 participating hospitals shows that this unique database continues to be the most powerful research tool available to nurse executives.”

NDNQI® is a program of ANA’s National Center for Nursing Quality® (NCNQ®). Launched in 1998 as part of ANA’s Safety and Quality Initiative, the program collects nursing-sensitive data affecting patient outcomes. The program’s goals are to provide comparative information to health care facilities, such as the frequency of patient falls and pressure ulcers, and develop national data on the relationship between nurse staffing and patient outcomes. NDNQI® remains the only national database containing data collected at the nursing unit level.

The ANA is the only full-service professional organization representing the interests of the nation's 2.9 million registered nurses through its constituent member nurses associations, its organizational affiliates, and its workforce advocacy affiliate, the Center for American Nurses. The ANA advances the nursing profession by fostering high standards of nursing practice, promoting the rights of nurses in the workplace, projecting a positive and realistic view of nursing, and by lobbying the Congress and regulatory agencies on health care issues affecting nurses and the public.