

Society of Trauma Nurses

Legislative Fact Sheet



What is STN?

The vision for the Society of Trauma Nurses is to become the premiere nursing organization in the world for advancing the nursing care of injured patients. The Society of Trauma Nurses is a professional nonprofit organization whose mission is to ensure optimal trauma care to all people locally, regionally, nationally and globally through initiatives focused on trauma nurses related to prevention, education and collaboration with other healthcare disciplines. The Society of Trauma Nurses advocates for the highest level of quality trauma care across the continuum. This is accomplished through an environment that fosters visionary leadership, mentoring, innovation and interdisciplinary collaboration in the delivery of trauma care.

Who does STN represent?

The Society of Trauma Nurses represents trauma nurses providing care at the local, state, national, and global levels across the continuum. The organization listens to the needs of nurses providing direct care to injured patients and to nurses working to develop a system of trauma care. As a result of listening to the needs of the membership, the Society of Trauma Nurses provides educational programs, encourages mentoring, facilitates special interest groups, designs resources for injury prevention, and fosters outreach and services.

What legislation does STN support?

The Society of Trauma Nurses supports legislation which increases funding for:

- Trauma system development and implementation
- Nursing workforce shortage issues
- Injury Prevention
- Nursing Education

STN Partners in these efforts include:

- Americans For Nursing Shortage Relief
- American College of Surgeons, Committee on Trauma
- Coalition for Health Funding
- Eastern Association for the Surgery of Trauma
- Emergency Nurses Association
- National Association of State EMS Officials, Trauma System Managers Committee
- Trauma Center Association of America

What does STN have to offer?

The Society of Trauma Nurses has a membership base of approximately 1400 members with 8% growth over the past 5 years. The members of the organization have the opportunity to share their expertise through a variety of special interest groups and committees. As a result, the Society of Trauma Nurses has a wide base of nursing expertise in the areas of:

- Rural trauma care
- Head trauma
- Injury prevention
- Advanced nursing practice
- Military
- Education
- Research
- Pediatric care
- Disaster Management
- Legislation/Public Affairs