

# **Pennsylvania Nurses Association, District 1 records**

**MC 99**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Abstract</b>	The Philadelphia District, No. 1, was admitted to the Pennsylvania Nurses Association in 1919. These records of District 1 cover the majority of the organization's history. Materials include minutes, proceedings, reports, correspondence, finance information, and photographs.

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## Biography/History

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The Pennsylvania Nurses' Association was founded in 1903 by nurses "feeling the need of organization, legislation and registration in the state of Pennsylvania." The immediate objective was for a registration law to control education and entry into the nursing profession, but the specific orientation of regional groups and specialized nurses soon caused the association to branch out in a variety of directions. By 1919, the state association had become unwieldy, and districts were formed to better respond to the needs of individual nurses and regional interests within the state. On April 30, 1919, the Philadelphia District Number 1, along with several others, was admitted to membership.

The concerns of District 1, from its inception, revolved around the establishment of a central headquarters with an official registry of nurses. Lack of interest, however, prevented effective action until the Nurses' Official Directory was established in 1929 to facilitate employment. Shortly after, both interest and membership rose dramatically. The Philadelphia district developed into one of the most active sections, involved in legislative actions in all areas of health care, professional promotion, publicity and education, as well as in many community activities.

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## **Administrative Information**

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## **Controlled Access Headings**

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**CORPORATE NAME(S)**

- Pennsylvania Nurses' Association.

**FORM/GENRE(S)**

- Administrative records
- Letters (correspondence)

**GEOGRAPHIC NAME(S)**

- Pennsylvania.

**SUBJECT(S)**

- Nursing.

## Collection Inventory

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### **SERIES 1. MINUTES, PROCEEDING AND REPORTS, 1923-1970.**

#### **Scope and Contents note**

The first series contains the minutes of the board of directors, the typewritten reports of the proceedings of the annual conventions and various reports of officers. Comprising the dominant series in the collection, the minutes and proceedings chronicle the influence and activities of the Philadelphia district on the nursing profession almost from the organization's inception.

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES.**

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1945-1952.	4	25-32
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**ANNUAL MEETING - PROCEEDINGS.**

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**OFFICER REPORTS.**

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Reports of the Treasurer and budgets, 1967-1968.	10	92
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Proceedings and reports, 1946, 1947.	28	47

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**SERIES 2. COMMITTEE AND SECTION PAPERS, 1932-1973.****Scope and Contents note**

The papers of the various committees and sections within District 1 provide information regarding the interests of specialized nursing groups in addition to insight into the administrative functioning of the organization. The series includes correspondence, minutes and some printed material, and the files are arranged alphabetically by section or committee.

**BY-LAWS COMMITTEE.**

	Box	Folder
1960-1964.	10	1
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CERS Section, 1963.	11	4
Chronically Ill Committee, 1947-1948.	11	5
Committee Lists, 1964.	11	6
Complaint Committee, minutes, 1948.	11	7

**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS COMMITTEE.**

	Box	Folder
Bylaws and amendments, 1945-1950.	11	8
Correspondence, 1945-1948.	11	9

**CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE.**

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1962-1963.	11	11
	Box	Folder
District Fund-raising Committee, 1962-1963.	11	12
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Emergency Grants Committee, 1963-1967.	11	19-20
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**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.**

**MINUTES AND CORRESPONDENCE.**

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**MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE.**

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Personnel Committee, 1955-1966.	13	43
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Program Committee, 1965-1972.	13	47-49
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Public Relations Committee, 1955-1972.	14	55-58

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Recruitment Committee, 1969-1972.	14	59
Red Cross Committee, 1947-1948.	14	60
School Section, 1962-1970.	14	61-62
Sections Conference Committee, 1963-1965.	14	63
Special Interest Section, 1971.	14	64
Structure Committee, 1970.	14	65
Study Committee on ANA Functions, 1963.	14	66

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**SERIES 3. SUBJECT FILE, 1935-1972.**

**Scope and Contents note**

This is an alphabetically arranged file representing District 1's civic and professional interest activities, relations with other organizations, legislative goals, and its involvement in health care issues and education. Also included are documents related to the district's social meetings.

	Box	Folder
American Journal of Nursing, 1970-1972.	14	1
American Medical Association, 1963.	14	2

**AMERICAN NURSES' ASSOCIATION.**

	Box	Folder
Bylaws and Rules, 1958-1960.	14	3

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Legislation News, 1964.	14	4
	Box	Folder
Be-Involved Campaign, 1969-1970.	14	5
Community News Releases, 1964-1965.	14	6
Counseling and Placement Services, 1947-1948.	14	7
Deceased members, 1964.	14	8
Delaware Valley Hospital Council, 1964.	14	9
District Secretaries Conference, 1947-1948.	14	10
Dues dispute at Kennedy Hospital, 1969-1970.	14	11
Election candidates, 1963-1964, 1968, 1971.	15	12-16
Election teller returns, 1963-1964, 1966-1967.	15	17-20
Employment standards, 1964.	15	21
Fiftieth anniversary, 1969.	15	22
Foreign nurses, 1963, 1971-1972.	15	23-24
Friendship fete, 1964-1965.	15	25
Health and Welfare Council, 1963-1968.	15	26-27
Health insurance, 1942-1948.	15	28
Heart Association of Southeast Pennsylvania, 1963.	15	29
Honorary recognition, 1962-1968.	15	30

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Immigrant nurses, 1968.	15	31
Income tax deductions, 1968.	15	32
Income tax exemption, 1938-1952.	15	33
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**INSURANCE.**

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**PENNSYLVANIA NURSES' ASSOCIATION.**

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1952-1954.

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Pennsylvania State Board of Nurse Examiners, 1961.	16	47
Pennsylvania State Employment Service, 1962-1963.	16	48
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United Cerebral Palsy Association, 1963.	17	61
Wage tax, 1939-1940.	17	62
Workmen's compensation, 1935-1937.	17	63
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**SERIES 4. CORRESPONDENCE, 1963-1972.****Scope and Contents note**

This series consists of incoming and outgoing letters of officers and the office secretary, primarily covering the 1960s. Among the major topics are District 1's administration and relations with other organizations and groups.

	Box	Folder
American Nurses' Association, 1969-1972.	17	1

**DISTRICT 1 FILE, 1969-1972.**

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	Box	Folder
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Executive secretary, 1963-1964.	18	9-10
General, 1969-1972.	18	11
Membership, 1964.	18	12
Office secretary, 1965-1967.	18	13
President, 1965-1966.	18	14

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**SERIES 5. NURSES' OFFICIAL DIRECTORY, 1928-1972.**

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**Scope and Contents note**

This series includes information detailing the functions and development of the Nurses' Official Directory, which served to put registered nurses in contact with employers. Minutes, correspondence, registrants' meeting proceedings and a history of the N.O.D. chronicle the important role that this section played in the growth of District 1.

	Box	Folder
Chronicle, 1935-1940.	19	1

**NURSES' OFFICIAL DIRECTORY COMMITTEE.****MINUTES.**

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**Scope and Contents note**

Contained here are the newsletters, legislative bulletins, clippings, administrative manuals, and other printed material of the PNA. In addition, there are dues ledgers and some financial correspondence.

	Box	Folder
Brochure of the Bucks-Philadelphia County District, 1960.	25	1
Committee manual, 1948.	25	2
District presidents and secretaries manual, 1955-1964.	25	3-4
Legislation News, 1963.	25	5
Legislative Bulletin, 1963-1971.	25	6-11
Legislative Manual, 1952-1953.	26	12
Local Committee programs manual, 1948.	26	13
Newsletter, 1951-1964.	26	14-16

Official bulletin, 1939-1950.	26	17-22
Organization manual, 1951.	26	23
Style manual, 1961.	27	24
Calendars, 1921-1927.	27	25-26
Dues ledger, 1965-1967.	27	27
Finance Committee, 1943-1972.	27	28-33
Financial statements, 1964-1971.	27	34-35
Tax exempt status, 1937-1938.	28	36
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Tax statements, 1944-1971.	28	38-39
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PSNA-Fifty Years of Progress, 1903-1953.	28	46

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**Scope and Contents note**

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This series contains photos of individual PNA members and photos of the Mass Polio Immunization Campaign in 1963. Captions and newsletter clippings are attached.

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Mrs. Lulu Wolf Hassenplug Receiving the Albert Einstein Medical Center's Centennial Medal.	28	1

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Eileen Cancelli, President of the Student Nurses Association of Philadelphia, 1963.	28	3
Naomi Sayers, Public Health Nurse, 1963.	28	4
Arlene Boyer, Eileen Cancelli, and Naomi Sayers, 1963.	28	5

	Box	Photo
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P.F. Lucchesi, M.D., Executive Vice-President and Medical Director of Albert Einstein Medical Center, 1968.	28	8
Mrs. Edythe Sobel receiving the Nurses Alumnae "Woman of the Year", 1968.	28	9
Samuel H. Daroff, Renaming of the Southern Division of the Albert Einstein Medical Center, 1968.	28	10

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Helen L. Zaborowski, RN, 1968.	28	11
Margaret Dolan, 1969.	28	12

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	Box	Photo
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Alumnae Association private duty Nursing, 1936-1939.	29
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Graduate Nurses' Association Nurses' Relief Fund, 1914-1932.	29
Legislative Fund, 1935.	29
Nursing Education Speeches.	29
National Biennial Nursing Convention Nursing Education, 1936.	29
Pennsylvania League of Nursing Education By-Laws and Constitution.	29
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The [Nurses'] Quarterly Subscription Information, Journal Information.	29

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Quarterly Record of Mass. General Hospital Nurses Alum Assoc, September 1945.	29
Deur-ez-zpr Medical Center 5th Annual Report, 1933-1934.	29
Letter from Gladys Webber (NY) to Eliz. Berrang (HUP), 1946.	29
Associated Alumnae of Trained Nurses.	29
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Pay Raises for Nursing, Correspondence.	29
Red Cross Applications for Membership, 1925-1940.	29
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**ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION, PENNSYLVANIA STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION CORRESPONDENCE.**

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Proceedings of the Thirty-Fifth Convention of the Pennsylvania State Nurses' Association in joint session with Pennsylvania State League of Nursing Education and Pennsylvania State Organization for Public Health Nursing, October 1937.	29
Handbook of the Pennsylvania State Nurses' Association for the use of Officers and Committee Chairmen.	29
Nurses' Training School Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania Sixteenth Reunion, 1946 .	29
District No. 1 Pennsylvania State Nurses' Association Official Bulletin Vol. 4, No. 5, 1943.	29
Proceedings of the 35th Convention of the Pennsylvania State Nurses' Association, Altoona, PA, Oct 26-28, 1937.	

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Handbook of the Pennsylvania State Nurses' Association; Articles of Incorporation and By-laws 1930;  
Constitution and By-laws 1931.

GNAP 22nd Annual Convention, 1924.

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