



Illinois Nurses Association  
Records, 1939-2016

Collection 93

## Champaign County Historical Archives

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**Inclusive Dates:** 1939-2016

**Physical Description:** 6 boxes, 1 oversized (6.5 linear ft.)

**Language:** English

**Provenance:**

The Illinois Nurses Association Collection materials were donated to the Champaign County Historical Archives by Violet Schroeder in 2015.

**Access:**

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**Historical Note:**

The Illinois Nurses Association District 15 Chapter began in the 1950s in Champaign, Illinois, and provided a professional network for nurses. They advocated for improved nursing education and working conditions in hospitals, particularly at Burnham City Hospital. In 1970, the nurses launched the Burnham City Hospital Strike. District 15 partnered with Lakeview College of Nursing in Danville, Illinois, to host workshops and nursing education courses. In Champaign, they supported community health events and the Frances Nelson Health Center initiative. According to the members of District 15 who participated in oral histories, the chapter concluded in 2006 due to the lack of membership. Interest declined due to formal college nursing programs, decreased funding, and centralized educational opportunities for nurses in hospitals and through the state of Illinois.

**Scope and Content Note:**

The Illinois Nurses Association (INA) Collection includes the District 15 Champaign Chapter organization records, correspondence, subject files, and oral histories. The Administration files consist of meeting minutes, membership directory lists, INA and ANA bylaws, election materials, and committee files. Legislation materials include SNAPi files, correspondence, *Springfield Report* newsletters, and bills such as the Illinois Nursing Act. District 15 published its monthly newsletter, *Echo* and *Chart*. Subject Files contain nursing education resources, INA Biennial Convention materials workshops, presentation slides (donated by Dona Stanner), Kathy Ennen's campaign file, newspaper clippings, and brochure. Oversized materials include the Burnham City Hospital nurses strike file, secondary nursing literature, and an INA poster. In the oral history interviews, eight former members of the INA District 15 discuss the chapter's significance and involvement in the Champaign community.

**Arrangement:**

This collection is arranged into seven series:



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**Separated Material:**

The following newsletters were removed from the collection and placed in the Champaign County Historical Archives Local Organization Newsletters Series:

- The Burnham Burp*: Official Newsletter of the Julia F. Burnham Alumnae Association
- Echo*: Newsletter of Illinois Nurses Association. District 15

**Subject Terms:**

Champaign (Ill.)  
Danville (Ill.)  
American Nurses Association  
Carle Foundation Hospital (Urbana, Ill.)  
Frances Nelson Health Center (Champaign, Ill.)  
Illinois Nurses' Association  
Illinois Nurses' Association District 15  
Julia F. Burnham City Hospital (Champaign, Ill.)  
Julia F. Burnham City Hospital (Champaign, Ill.). School of Nursing  
Julia F. Burnham City Hospital (Champaign, Ill.). Strikes and lockouts.  
Krannert Art Museum (Champaign, Ill.)  
Lakeview College of Nursing (Danville, Ill.)  
Mercy Hospital (Urbana, Ill.)  
Michigan Nurses Association  
Nursing  
Nurses  
Student Nurse Association of Illinois  
University of Illinois at Chicago  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

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**Series 3: Legislation**

- Folder 15: American Nurses' Association: Legislation Manual for Committees on Legislation of State Nurses Associations, 1954
- Folder 16: Fact Sheets on Nursing Bills—Amendments to Illinois Nursing Act (HB 580-HB583, HB 613-614), 1965
- Folder 17: INA Principles of Legislation, 1965
- Folder 18: House Bill 2547: Critical Health Problems and Comprehensive Health Education Act, 1971
- Folder 19: Legislation information resources, ca. 1972-1998



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- Folder 4: State Nurses Active in Politics in Illinois (SNAPI), 1987
- Folder 5: American Medical Association Board of Trustees: "Nursing Education and the Supply of Nursing Personnel in the United States," 1998
- Folder 6: Conference: "Celebrating Our Past and Envisioning Our Future: Survival of the Nurse Practice Act and Proposed Revisions" hosted by the INA District 15 and Lakeview College of Nursing, 1996
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- Folder 12: Anatomical Plates of the Circulatory, Nervous, Muscle and Skeletal Systems, 1965
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- Folder 14: Champaign Community Health Providers – events, notes, and brochures, 1986-1988
- Folder 15: Chandler, Margaret K. and Philip Marden, “The Registered Nurse: A Comparative Analysis of American Nurses’ Association Members, Ex-Members and Nonmembers, 1960
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- Folder 5: INA/ANA Membership: Hospital Relationships with Nursing Associations and Continuing Education, circa 1973-1979
- Folder 6: INA Biennial Convention – “Nursing: Changes, Challenges, Choices,” November 1993
- Folder 7: INA Concepts for Revamping, 1976
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- Folder 2: Lippincott’s Quick Reference Book for Nurses, 8<sup>th</sup> Edition by Beth L. Cameron, Marcia Mary Gatchell, et. al., 1962
- Folder 3: “Managed Care: Impact and Opportunities for Nurses” presentation by Kerri Dixon, undated
- Folder 4: National Institute of Health: Nursing Research Grant information, 1992-1993
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Folder 5: Swine Flu Vaccine, circa 1976-1990

Folder 6: The American Pocket Medical Dictionary, 17<sup>th</sup> Edition edited by W. A. Newman Dorland, 1942

Folder 7: The Principles and Practice of Nursing, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition by Bertha Harmer and Virginia Henderson, 1939

Folder 8: The Structure of the Human Skull by W. R. Zemlin and S. G. Stolpe, 1967

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Item 3: Illinois Nurses Association poster "Health care today is changing," undated

**Digital Materials**

**Series 7: Oral Histories**

Anderson, Janet, April 18, 2016

Ennen, Kathy, October 26, 2016

Golden, Charlotte, April 10, 2016

Mumm, Eunice, April 25, 2016

Peters, Lilia, April 18, 2016

Schroeder, Violet, May 4, 2016

Stanner, Dona, April 13, 2016

Walker, Shirley, April 11, 2016