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35
Years

Annual Report

SPN Annual Report

2025-2026 Board of Directors

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Strategic Plan Updates

SPN made progress in 2024 and 2025 on many of the initiatives in our current strategic plan:

Goal 1 – Drive and elevate career growth of the pediatric nurse.

Goal 2 – Generate more visibility of SPN within the pediatric nursing specialty.

Goal 3 – Increase the number of pediatric nurses.

- SPN Mentorship Exchange Program matched 22 pairs of mentors and mentees.
- Leadership Skills Development Program has had 21 participants, which has resulted in the submission of several 2025 conference poster abstracts.
- Started SPN Journal Club – “What’s Your SPiN On It” – offering a virtual discussion led by a moderator and focused on an article from the *Journal of Pediatric Nursing*.
- Updated and expanded SPN’s Fellowship Review Course, with launch in January 2025.
- Celebrated our 35th anniversary and saw record attendance at the 35th Annual Conference in Anaheim, CA.
- Hosted SPN Annual Conference: Virtual Best Of event, highlighting the most popular sessions from the Annual Conference and offering a virtual viewing in the Fall.
- SPN’s new Pediatric Nursing Excellence Award has had 34 applicants to date, giving pediatric units across the country an opportunity to showcase their excellence.
- Awarded a grant from Pediatric Nursing Certification Board in spring of 2025. This grant has allowed SPN to reach pediatric nurses in ambulatory and community-based practice settings, and support the specialty of pediatric nursing.
- Released revised SPN Pediatric Residency Core Competencies.
- Collaborated with Association of Child Life Professionals to update Pediatric Bill of Rights.
- Launched a new online community platform – “The Hive” – to bring pediatric nurses together to discuss the specialty.
- Took a firm public stance against vaccine misinformation, reaffirming SPN’s commitment to evidence-based pediatric care by aligning with American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) guidance in instances where it diverged from Center for Disease Control recommendations.

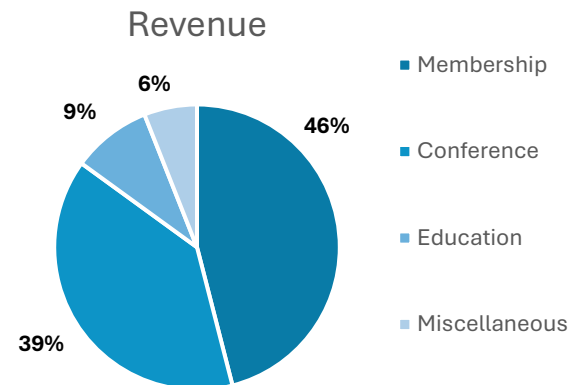
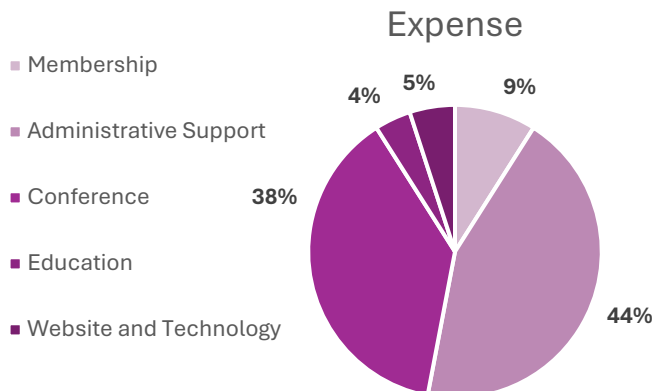
In 2025, SPN’s Board of Directors engaged in multiple strategic planning sessions to revisit the goals and priorities for the organization moving forward. The Board has developed an 18-month strategic plan that will begin in January. Look for an announcement in early 2026.

Membership and Financial Update

SPN has worked diligently to increase revenues and decrease expenses. The SPN Board of Directors is committed to fiscal responsibility and will continue to make decisions to positively impact members and support the mission of the organization. With the support of the SPN Board and staff, our organization continues to maintain a solid financial position. Earlier this year, a 2024 financial review was completed by our independent auditor, Calibre CPA Group, confirming SPN's continued fiscal strength and accountability.

FY24 Total Operating Revenue	\$1,069,735
FY24 Total Operating Expense	\$1,197,134

Total Net Assets	\$1,101,310
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For the first year since 2018, SPN is seeing year over year membership increase. By revisiting marketing strategies and member benefits, SPN had a 9% increase in overall membership from 2023 to 2024, and a 20% increase in retention.

Average number of SPN members in 2024 – 3,063

Average number of SPN members in 2025 – 3,143

Award Recipients

Pediatric Nurse Excellence Award Fall 2024 & Spring 2025

Platinum Award Recipients

Nemours Children's Hospital Florida –
Medical Surgical Unit

Cedars-Sinai Guerin Children's Hospital –
Pediatric Acute Care Unit

Johns Hopkins All Children's - Surgical
Neurosciences Unit

Sapphire Award Recipients

Cook Children's Medical Center – 5 South
Tower

Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical
Center – Bone Marrow Transplant Unit

Children's Mercy Kansas City – 5 Sutherland

Diamond Award Recipients

University of California, Los Angeles Health –
6 NW Pediatrics

CHOC Children's Hospital – Neuroscience
Unit

Children's Mercy Kansas City – 6 Hall

Boston Children's Hospital – 7 Mandell
Inpatient Medical Programs

Boston Children's Hospital – 9 East Inpatient
Medical Programs

Children's Hospital Colorado – MedSurg Unit



Individual Awards 2025 Recipients

Innovation Award

The Dear Hospital Program from
Children's Hospital of Orange County

Chapter of the Year

Louisiana
North Central Texas

2025 SPN Research Grant

Write on! The Effect of Gratitude Journaling
on Psychological and Glycemic Outcomes in
Adolescents with Type 1 Diabetes

Rebecca Koerner, PhD, APRN, CPNP-
PC
Kaitlyn Rechenberg, PhD, APRN, MPH
University of South Florida, College of
Nursing

Award Recipients

SPN 35th Annual Conference Poster Winners 2025 Recipients

Poster Award Winner in the Clinical Practice Track

Insertion and maintenance of peripherally inserted central catheter for a pediatric epidermolysis bullosa patient: A case report by Shu-Yin Wang, RN, BSN, RNC-NIC; William Duong, RN, BSN, RNC-NIC; Paula Hess, MLIS, AHIP; Jennifer Hyojin Min, PhD, CPNP-PC, RN; Revecca Barber, PhD, CPN, RN

Poster Award Winner in the Advocacy Track

Transforming culture through a collaborative approach: Nurses and physicians dismantling bias to provide equitable care in a pediatric unit by Hannah Marshall, RN, BSN, CPN; Azucena Sandoval, RN, CPN; Amy Goldberg, RN, MSN, CPNP, NE-BC, CPN

Poster Award Winner in the Education Track

Expect the unexpected: How emergency response simulation prepared an outpatient pediatric clinic by Renee McGinnis, MSN, RN, CPN and Sarah DeJong, MSN, RN, CPN

Poster Award Winner in the Evidence-Based Practice Track

Implementation of an ultrasound guided PIV training program for Nurses in a Pediatric Emergency Department by Jessica Barnes, BSN, RN, CPEN

Poster Award Winner in the Quality Improvement Track

Early nurse career coaching to impact retention and engagement by Julie Lang, MSN, RNC-NIC, NPD-BC

Poster Award Winner in the Information Technology Track

Leveraging the implementation of an automated scoring system (MPEWS) to earlier identify clinical deterioration of acute care patients by Ingra Angion, MSN, RN, CPN and Julia Martinez, BSN, RN, CCRN

Poster Award Winner in the Leadership and Management Track

Predicting and hiring for attrition, a best practice for recruitment and retention for pediatric nurse leaders by William T Lecher, DNP, MBA, RN, NE-BC

Poster Award Winner in the Research Track

An evaluation of a novel pediatric transitional care facility for neonatal abstinence syndrome care by Ekaterina Burduli, PhD

Poster Award Winner People's Choice

Quality Improvement Track poster - HEART-OPOLY: A Cardiac Nursing Game for Enhancing Clinical and Leadership Skills presented by Monica Mounce, MSN, RN

Annual Conference



SPN celebrated the 35th anniversary of the organization's founding this year, with Annual Conference being held at the Disneyland Hotel in Anaheim, California this past April. Attendance was record-breaking.

860 Attendees – 553 First Time Attendees

44 States & 4 Countries Represented

57 Education Sessions

127 Posters

30 Exhibitors & 4 Sponsors