

WSNA and You

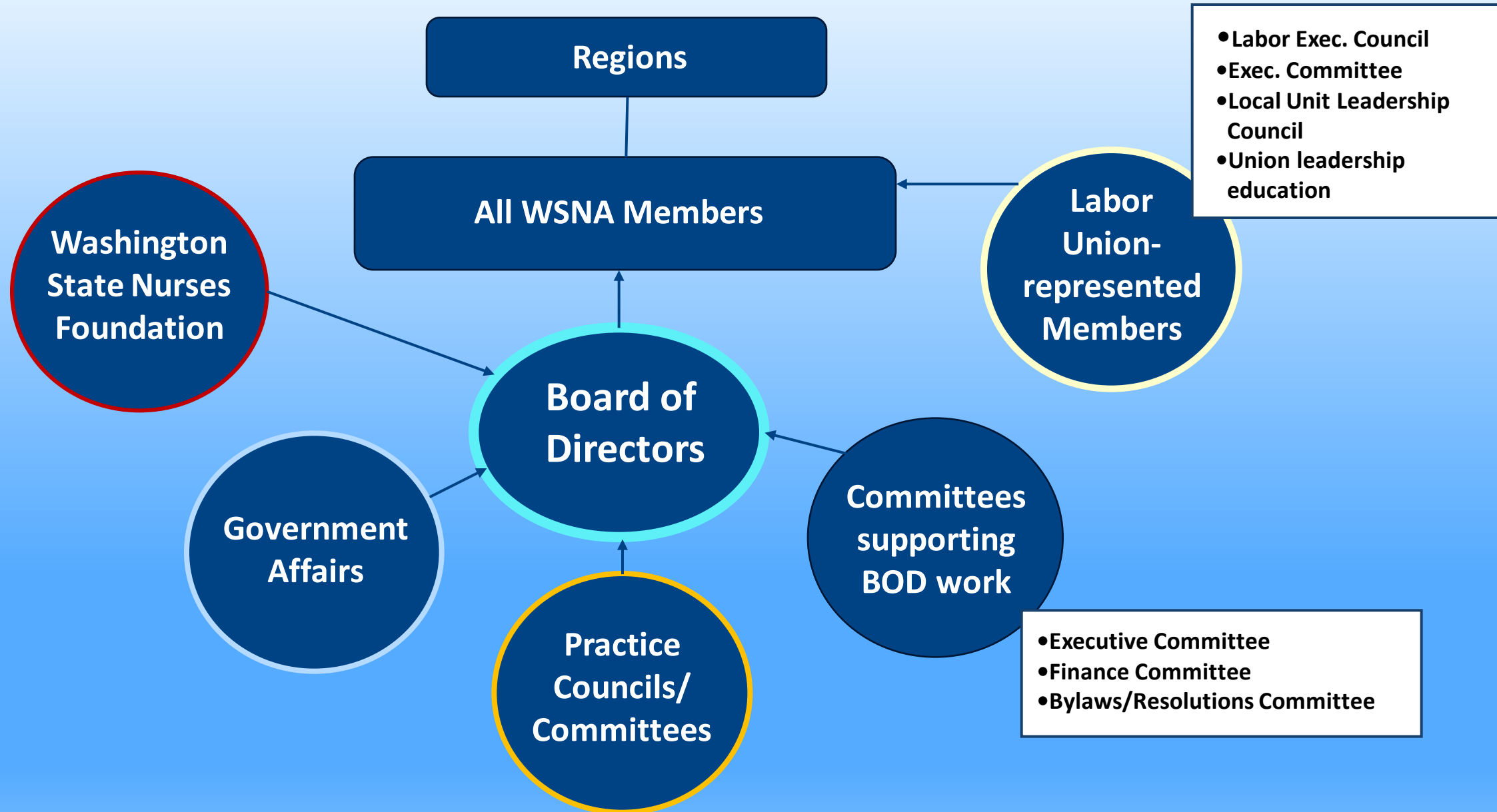
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Mission

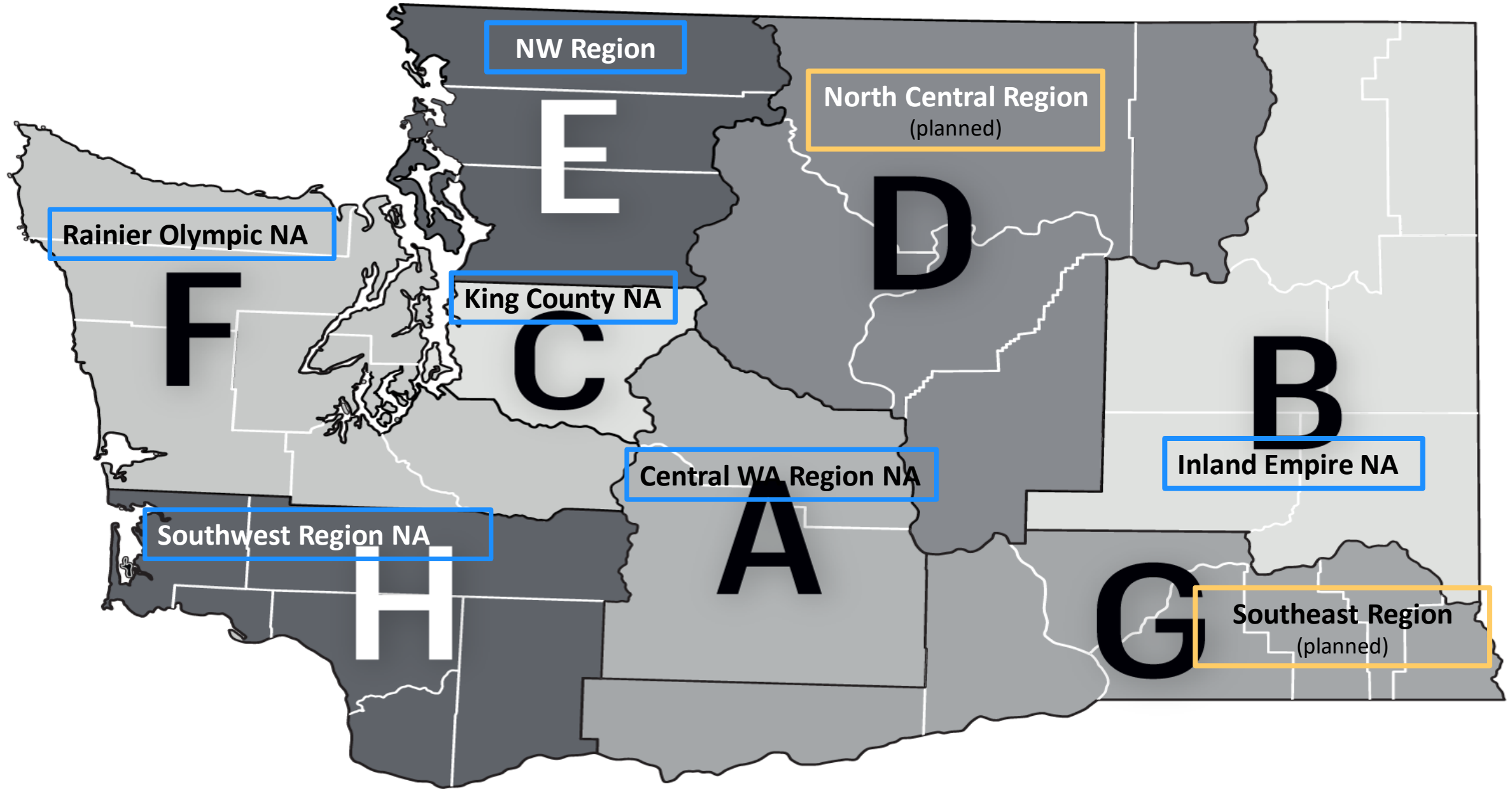
Provide leadership for the nursing profession and promote quality health care for consumers through education, advocacy and influencing health care policy in WA state.





Strategic Priorities

- Safe staffing and health access
- Diversity, equity, and inclusion
- Nursing practice, quality, and safety
- Membership growth and engagement
- Association vitality



Collective Bargaining through WSNA

- WSNA represents nurses at more than 45 facilities around the state, over 20,000 nurses total!
- WSNA leverages the collective voice of nurses to successfully advocate with employers, state agencies and the state Legislature for better working conditions, safe staffing, fair compensation and patient safety.
- We hold employers accountable by enforcing contracts, winning lawsuits and pressing state agencies for regulatory action.
- [PeaceHealth nurses take to informational picket line in Vancouver after months of negotiations – WSNA](#)
- ['We fought hard.' Virginia Mason nurses win great contract – WSNA](#)
- [The good fight at Good Sam – WSNA](#)
- [Seattle Children's nurses overwhelmingly ratify contract - WSNA](#)

Successes from WSNA Government Affairs Advocacy

- Shaped health reform and preserved health services during the Great Recession
- Safe patient handling/lifting regulation
- ARNP full prescriptive authority
- Breaks and Mandatory Overtime Protections
- Workplace Violence Prevention
- Presumptive Eligibility for Nurses (during a declared health emergency)
- Safe Staffing Legislation

WSNA and NSWWS

- WSNA has supported NSWWS since 2007 (NSWWS was SWANS back then!)
 - The office serves as the physical address of NSWWS, and the archive of physical and virtual NSWWS materials.
 - WSNA staff mentor and coach NSWWS Board as State Advisors
- Launchpad
 - An introduction to nursing practice issues and welcome from WSNA Leaders
 - Now in virtual format—graduating seniors can expect a postcard soon after licensure!

Questions?

We're glad you're here!