

# President's Report for Winter/Spring 2021

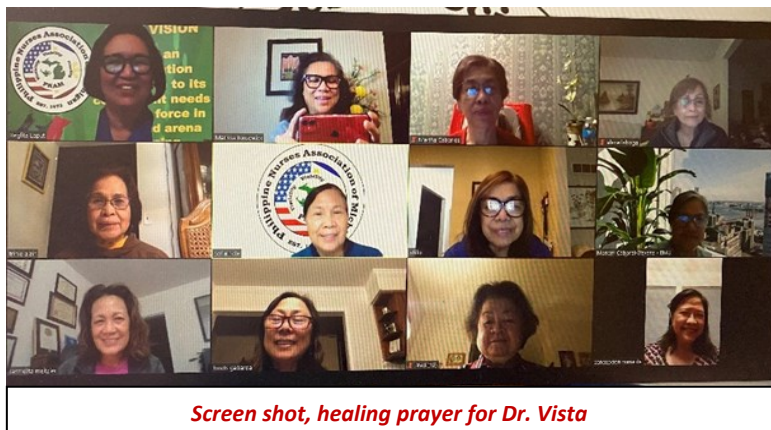
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My presidency is greatly challenged with complexity brought about by COVID-19 pandemic, now in its second year of heavily impacting the healthcare system. As a professional organization, PNAM works as a Team making it fun and enjoyable, made innovations and conceptualize creative ideas to continue serving and maximizing what we can to maintain the PNAM legacy of existence.



Together, our activities and accomplishments are:

## A. Increase in Membership Engagement:



- a) From 69 members in May 2020 to 97 in May 2021, a 40.5% increase.
- b) Nurses Week celebration with members on May 8, 2021

## B. Educational Activities:

- a) Conducted Strategic Planning Workshop for setting PNAM goals and objectives.
- b) Introduced formulation of Committee Operational Plan and Budget cost to determine financial needs and generate resources to defray estimated cost.
- c) Conducted Spring Educational Conference with the theme: "Nursing Leadership and Resilience during a Pandemic: Be the SPARK." It was approved for 4.75 contact hours by PNAA-ANCC.
- d) Attended Seminars on Grant Proposals in coordination with Eastern Michigan University (EMU).
- e) Conducted Orientation to all North Central Region (NCR) chapter presidents on American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) Process in Applying Contact Hours.
- f) Chair of Education Committee among different NCR chapters.
- g) Prayer Warrior Host Training on May 5 and May 13, 2021.

## C. Visibility and Advocacy:

- a) Conducted Novena Prayers for the Frontliners, the Executive Board, PNAM Members, and community members who got sick of COVID and other ailments, or family members who died.



- b) Attended Memorial Service for PNAM Officer who died.
- c) Distributed face shields to Nursing Homes and rehab facilities.
- d) Selection of PNAM President as Advisory Committee Member on National Nurse Led Vaccine Confidence Program with Center for Disease Control (CDC).
- e) Selection of PNAM President as one of the Panel Speakers to represent PNAA together with Dr. Jennifer Aying on "Celebration and Challenges of Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Nurses in the Age of COVID." Scheduled for Saturday, June 5, 2021 at 1pm Eastern Time.

#### D. Business Infrastructure and Financial Stability:

1. Resource Generation Committee raised funds during Executive Board meetings by selling raffle tickets, plants, pastries and other stuff.
2. Applied for three grants:
  - a) CDC Foundation – Increasing Vaccine Coverage and Confidence among the Filipino Youth and Asian Indian Coverage Youth Groups – tentatively approved 5/24/21.
  - b) TB Elimination Campaign – approved.
  - c) Michigan Asian Pacific American Affairs Commission (MAPACC) Support for Community Based Organizations (CBO). PNAM's entry was on Brain Health Seminar – awaiting approval.



#### E. Collaboration

1. Networking with Eastern Michigan University (EMU) on Townhall Meetings on the Impact of Covid-19 to Mental Health and Economy.
2. Collaborated with EMU on the Project Increasing Vaccination Coverage and Confidence among the Asian American Community.
3. PNAM volunteered in the vaccination site for the actual Vaccination administration on four Saturdays 9am- 4pm. Intensified coverage by recruiting eligible recipients for the Covid-19 vaccine. Able to vaccinate 486 eligible recipients.
4. Participated in the Philippine American Community Center of Michigan (PACCM) and Filipino American Community Council (FILAMCCO) such as: Resource Speaker for Covid Prevention and Control, Creating Effective Messages to Support Vaccination.
5. Supported the National Federation of Filipino Associations of America (NaFFAA) in its activities in phone banking sessions to increase voting turn-out in the past election. ❤️



*May 8, 2021, Nurses Week Treat to some Millennial Members*



*Nurses' Week Celebration, May 8, 2021*