



## 2012 GNA Legislative Day – Final Preparation List

As you prepare to travel to downtown Atlanta for GNA's 2012 Legislative Day, there are some things we'd like to make you aware of prior to the event. Below is a checklist to review prior to coming to GNA Legislative Day on Thursday, January 26, 2012. **Please join us in the South Atrium of the State Capitol, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor at 8:30 a.m. Remember to wear your lab coats and name tags!**

- ❑ **IMPORTANT: Each attendee should bring their drivers' license or a government-issued photo ID for the required security check at the Capitol.** Each entrance to the Capitol is secured and all visitors are required to present government-issued photo identification to gain entry (i.e., drivers' license or passport). If you do not have a photo ID, security will not allow you into the Capitol.
- ❑ **Group leaders check in with GNA in the South Atrium of the Capitol, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor (individuals in groups do NOT need to check in, just the group leader)** GNA staff & volunteers will be on hand to greet & check in student groups, provide materials and network with our attendees. We will also coordinate a group photo with Governor Nathan Deal between 10-10:30 a.m.\* on the North Wing Steps, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Capitol.
- ❑ **Have you visited [www.georgianurses.org](http://www.georgianurses.org) to download and print the Online Self-Study materials?** We have posted several important documents on our web site for your use, including the Legislative Day program outline, GNA Legislative Webinar, driving/parking directions and more. **Please note: Prep materials will not be available on site.**
- ❑ **Do you know who your Senator/Representative is?** By going to [www.congress.org](http://www.congress.org), attendees can type in their home and school addresses in preparation to meet and lobby with their state officials. Attendees should know who their elected officials are when they arrive at the Capitol. **GNA staff will distribute cards to group leaders when they check in. These cards will contain our 2012 Top Legislative Issues and a schedule for the day.**
- ❑ **Have you contacted your legislators to set up an appointment?** To ensure that each attendee has a great experience, we'd like everyone to meet with and lobby their elected officials on the issues GNA has identified as important to nurses in Georgia. To contact the office of your senator or representative, please visit [www.legis.ga.gov](http://www.legis.ga.gov).
- ❑ **Are you familiar with GNA's Top Legislative Issues and Legislative Platform for 2012?** If not, please visit [www.georgianurses.org/legislativelobbyday.htm](http://www.georgianurses.org/legislativelobbyday.htm) to download and review these important documents. Our event will also feature a short onsite program on GNA's 2012 Top Legislative Issues.
- ❑ **Bring as little as possible!** There is no designated security to monitor attendees' personal items, like coats, purses, etc. Attendees will also need walk from where they park to the State Capitol, so dress warmly and bring few personal items to monitor.
- ❑ **Please note: The City of Atlanta Fire Marshall limits the number of people who may enter the State Capitol at any given time.** Once the maximum occupancy limit is reached, Capitol Police will not allow more guests through the security checkpoints. Thus, GNA Legislative Day attendance will be on a first-come, first-served, space-limited basis.

*\*Note: Due to the hectic nature of the Legislative Session, our schedule can change at any time.*