Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates, Inc.

Board Policy & Administrative Procedure Manual

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**Subject**: Travel to Regional Societies

**Review Responsibility**: Director of Regional Societies

# **Policy Statement:**

SGNA Directors, SGNA Officers or Divisional Coordinators may visit Regional Societies periodically when financially feasible.

## Focus:

Primary: SGNA Director of Regional Societies

Secondary: Regional Societies

### Purpose:

To clarify the procedure for travel by SGNA leaders to a scheduled Regional Society meeting if determined necessary.

## Supportive Data:

SGNA actively promotes and supports its Regional Societies; monitors member/non-member needs and provides incentives to promote membership. In order to provide a direct networking/communication opportunity to Regional Society members and non-members; to promote membership; and to provide assistance to those Regional Societies in need of organizational support.

#### Procedure:

- 1. Funds may be allocated in the SGNA budget for promotional and assistance type travel. The Director of Regional Societies during the budgeting process must submit the proposed budget, when possible.
  - 1.1 SGNA will fund travel expenses, which will be reimbursed according to SGNA reimbursement policy D-4.
  - 1.2 The Regional Society will be encouraged to provide lodging and meals for the visiting SGNA representative; however, SGNA will provide travel cost reimbursement if necessary.
  - 1.3 All travel must be authorized by the Director of Regional Societies and should be budgeted.
- 2. A designated leader of SGNA may visit a Regional Society during a regularly scheduled meeting of the society.
  - 2.1 The Board member or Divisional Coordinator in closest proximity to the Regional

Society will make the promotional visit.