

Dear ITNS Members,

It is my great pleasure to serve as President of our Local Chapter for 2011. This is a milestone year for our Chapter: it marks our 20th year! Amazing! Even more amazing is that many of our founding members are still active members in our Chapter. A very special "Thank you" is extended to them for helping us to be who we are today.

Our Local Chapter has increased its membership every year. We hope to continue that with this coming year. We would like all New Orleans' Hospital Transplant Nurses to join not only the Local Chapter, but also to become a National member. As we explained last year, it is now mandatory to be a national member if you wish to belong to a local chapter. We will continue to require a \$15.00 fee for each meeting to cover expenses and to continue to add funds to the Betty Kesler Education Fund

Membership dues for 2011 will be collected at our first Chapter meeting (or the first meeting attended by member). Membership dues are \$30.00 per year. Members will be required to show their National membership card with renewal of local membership.

Goals for 2011 are:

Review and revise local chapter bylaws as necessary.

Update our local website: www.laitns.org.

Review and revise Betty Kesler Educational Fund application and process.

Maintain accurate accounts of financial status of our local chapter.

Maintain up- to- date membership roster.

Report to National Board bi-annually.

Increase local and national membership.

Our ITNS board members will provide quarterly business meetings offering CE's and CEPTC's. We will also keep membership updated on our chapter's progress, financial status, and upcoming ITNS events.

Please contact any of our Board members with ideas or interests in specific topics to be presented. Please check our website, www.laitns.org, for chapter meeting dates and times.

Sincerely,

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La ITNS President