



**CIRCLE
OF EXCELLENCE 2026**



Wasatch Front Chapter
Excellence in Chapter Collaboration

The Wasatch Front Chapter, Midvale, Utah, has advanced AACN's mission through intentional collaboration across practice, academia and community partners. Our fifth annual Pulse Dash 5K united nurses, students, hospitals, universities and professional organizations to promote wellness, mentorship and engagement. In partnership with five nursing programs and four hospital systems, students and critical care nurses co-lead planning, strengthening leadership capacity and fostering transition-to-practice mentorship. We shared AACN resources, including certification pathways and Healthy Work Environment Standards, extending national initiatives to local practice settings. As a result, chapter membership more than doubled, formal academic partnerships were established, and awareness of AACN programs increased across institutions. Building on this momentum, we are launching community-based education, expanding mentorship bridges and recognizing emerging nurse leaders. Together, we collaborate "On Purpose" to strengthen professional identity and sustain excellence in acute and critical care nursing.

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