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Guide to the

New York Black Nurses Association records

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Summary

Creator: New York Black Nurses Association

Title: New York Black Nurses Association records

Date: 1978-2004 [bulk 1990-2004]

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Abstract: The New York Black Nurses Association (NYBNA) is composed of registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, and nursing students. Among its goals are recruting more Black men and women into the profession and working toward improved health care for the Black community. The New York Black Nurses Association records reflect the activities of the local branch as well as its interface with the National Black Nurses Association at annual meetings.

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Creator History

The National Black Nurses Association was founded in 1971 in response to concerns regarding the growing inequities in health care for African Americans and the absence of Black nurses' voices on

these issues. The local branch, the New York Black Nurses Association (NYBNA), was organized that same year and is composed of registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, and nursing students. Among its goals are recruting more Black men and women into the profession, assisting Black nursing students in securing financial aid, counseling and tutorial services, and working toward improved health care for the Black community. The NYBNA participates in many outreach programs that affect Black people, and also publishes a newsletter.

Scope and Content Note

The New York Black Nurses Association records reflect the activities of the local branch as well as its interface with the National Black Nurses Association at annual meetings. The collection includes minutes of the board of directors, rosters of members and officers, annual reports, programs, projected annual calendar of activities, financial statements, attendance sheets for various projects, and correspondence from other nursing and medical organizations regarding participation in their programs. Records in the collection provide details about such NYBNA activities as health screening at churches, colleges, fraternities, Black Expo and Harlem Week, and specific programs in which the organization was involved. Documentation from other organizations in support of various federal, state, and local medical and political activities as well as reports discussing participation in voter registration drives illustrates NYBNA's participation in campaigns for social justice issues. Annual reports also show that the NYBNA was active in the annual Black Nurses' Day on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. Additional files demonstrate the organization's commitment to the recruitment and education of Black nurses via their scholarship program and attendance at an annual career day.

Arrangement: Arranged in chronological order.

Key Terms

Subjects

African American nurses
African American nurses -- New York (State) -- New York
African Americans -- Health and hygiene
African Americans -- Medical care
African Americans -- Scholarships, fellowships, etc
African Americans in medicine -- New York (State) -- New York
Blacks in medicine -- New York (State) -- New York
Nurses, Black
Nursing -- Social aspects -- New York (State) -- New York
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