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### **Collection Information**

Abstract : Records of District 2, Massachusetts Nurses Association from its beginnings in 1930

to the 1980s, along with some records of its predecessor, Worcester County Graduate Nurses Association.

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Worcester County Graduate Nurses Association (Worcester, Mass.)  
Massachusetts Nurses Association. District 2. (Worcester, Mass.)  
Nurses – Massachusetts – Worcester.  
Nurses – Massachusetts – Worcester County – Societies.  
Professional associations – Massachusetts.

### **Historical/Biographical Notes**

District 2 of the Massachusetts State Nurses Association, later renamed Massachusetts Nurses Association, was established in 1930, an outgrowth of the Worcester County Graduate Nurses Association, “to foster high standards of nursing practice, promote the professional and educational advancement of nurses, and promote the welfare of nurses to the end that all people may have better nursing care.” The organization also promoted standards of nursing care as defined by the American Nurses Association, promoted ethical standards for nurses, and related functions. Initially all meetings were held in Worcester, but in later years some meetings were held in other Worcester County towns.

### **Scope and Content**

The collection comprises minutes books, 1930 to the 1980s, financial records, membership lists, by-laws, reports, newsletters and publications, and miscellaneous records relating to the organization from its beginnings in 1930 to the 1980s.

### **Series Descriptions**

Series 1: Minutes. Mostly ledgers with minutes of Board of Directors' meetings from 1930 to 1948, 1956 to 1986; miscellaneous committee minutes. (5 ledgers, 3 folders)

Series 2: Financial Records. Budgets, auditor's reports, etc., 1960s-1970s. (16 items)

Series 3: Reports. Annual reports, President's reports, committee reports, miscellaneous reports. (24 folders)

Series 4: Lists. Lists of officers and directors, membership directories. (3 items)

Series 5: By-Laws. (3 items)

Series 6: Correspondence. (9 folders)

Series 7: Elections. Includes ballots, slates, etc. (1 folder)

Series 8: News releases, statements, legislative alerts, etc. (1 folder, 13 items)

Series 9: Education/Employment. Includes continuing education programs, employment standards, student aid programs, etc. (5 folders)

Series 10: Programs/Services/Outreach. (2 folders)

Series 11: Clippings. From local newspapers, relating to nurses' concerns, etc. (2 folders)

Series 12: Newsletters, Serial Publications, etc. Primarily the *Beacon*, newsletter of the Massachusetts Nurses Association, District 2, 1980s-1990s, a few 1950s. (7 folders)

Series 13: Miscellaneous. (2 folders)

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Series 1, Minutes

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
BV		2001.20.1.1	Minutes, June 1930 – May 1937 : ledger, 27 cm., manuscript.
BV		2001.20.1.2	Minutes, July 1937 – June 1948 : ledger, 27 cm., manuscript.
BV		2001.20.1.3	Minutes, March 1956 – June 1968 : ledger, 28 cm., manuscript.
BV		2001.20.1.4	Minutes, June 1968 – November 1970 and September 1972 – September 1977 : ledger, 28 cm., manuscript, with inserts. (Minutes January 1971 – June 1972 in separate folder)
1	1	2001.20.1.5	Minutes, January 1971 – June 1972 : typescript, 40 p.
BV		2001.20.1.6	Minutes, September 1977 – January 1986 : ledger, 28 cm., manuscript, with inserts.
1	2	2001.20.1.7	Minutes, April 1986 – November 1988 : notes and memoranda, forms, agenda forms, for drafting formal copy of minutes.
1	3	2001.20.1.8	Minutes of committees, 1970s : typescript. (3 items)

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 Series 2, Financial Records

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	4	2001.20.2.1	Budgets, 1960-1967, 1970, 1975. (10 items)
1	5	2001.20.2.2	Treasurer's statements, Jan.-Mar. 1969, Dec. 1969, June-Aug. 1971, Sept.-Nov. 1971, June-Aug. 1979. (5 items)
1	6	2001.20.2.3-.6	Auditor's Reports, 1958-1961. (5 items)
1	7	2001.20.2.7-.12	Auditor's Reports, 1962-1966, 1969. (6 items)
1	8	2001.20.2.13-.16	Auditor's Reports, 1970, 1971, 1974, 1975. (4 items)

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Series 3, Reports

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	9	2001.20.3.1	Annual Report, 1959, Address of the President. (2 copies)
1	10	2001.20.3.2	Annual Report, 1961, Address of the President. (5 p.)
1	11	2001.20.3.3	Annual Report, 1963, Address of the President. (2 p.)
1	12	2001.20.3.4	Annual Report, 1964, Address of the President. (3 p.)
1	13	2001.20.3.5	Annual Report, 1965, Address of the President. (2 p.)
1	14	2001.20.3.6	Annual Report, 1966 : Address of the President, committee reports, miscellaneous reports. (9 p.)
1	14A	2001.20.3.6A	Annual Report, 1967 : President's Report, Report of Membership Committee. (2 items)
1	15	2001.20.3.7	Annual Meeting, 1970 : Annual reports of the officers, committee chairmen, and representatives. (2 copies)
1	16	2001.20.3.8	Annual Report, 1968, reports of committee chairmen. (16 p.)
1	17	2001.20.3.9	Annual Meeting, 1971 : Annual reports of the officers, committee chairmen, etc. (2 copies)
1	18	2001.20.3.10	Annual Reports, 1972: reports of the President and committee chairmen. (2 copies)
1	19	2001.20.3.11	Annual Report of the President, 1973, with Directory of members. (7 p.)

Series 3, continued



1	20	2001.20.3.12	Annual reports of the officers, 1974, with Directory of members. (11 p.)
1	21	2001.20.3.13	Annual reports of the officers, 1975, with Directory of members. (11 p.)
1	22	2001.20.3.14	Annual reports of the officers, 1976. (2 copies)
1	23	2001.20.3.15	Annual reports of the officers, 1977. (7 p.)
1	24	2001.20.3.16	Annual reports of the officers, 1978. (5 p.)
1	25	2001.20.3.17	Annual reports of the officers, 1979. (2 copies)
1	26	2001.20.3.18	Annual reports of the officers, 50 <sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, 1980. (3 copies)
1	27	2001.20.3.19	Annual reports of the officers, 1981. (2 copies)
1	28	2001.20.3.20	Annual reports of the officers, 1982. (3 copies)
1	29	2001.20.3.21	Annual reports of the officers, 1983. (3 copies)
1	30	2001.20.3.22	Annual Book of Reports, 1984. (2 copies)
1	31	2001.20.3.23	Annual Book of Reports, 1985. (5 p.)
1	32	2001.20.3.24	Miscellaneous reports, 1960s-1970s. (21 items)

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Series 4, Lists

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	33	2001.20.4.1	List of past officers and directors, 1930-1965. (8 p.)
1	34	2001.20.4.2	List of officers and committee members, 1989. (4 p.)
1	35	2001.20.4.3	Directories, 1981-1985. (5 items)

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Series 5, By-Laws

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	36	2001.20.5.1	Constitution and By-Laws, 1971 (13 p.); proposed changes to by-laws, 1970.

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Series 6, Correspondence

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	37	2001.20.6.1	Correspondence, 1970. (10 items)
2	38	2001.20.6.2	Correspondence, 1971. (20 items)
2	39	2001.20.6.3	Correspondence, 1972. (27 items)
2	40	2001.20.6.4	Correspondence, 1973. (21 items)
2	41	2001.20.6.5	Correspondence, 1974. (5 items)
2	42	2001.20.6.6	Correspondence, 1975. (8 items)
2	43	2001.20.6.7	Correspondence, 1976. (10 items)
2	44	2001.20.6.8	Correspondence, 1977. (2 items)
2	45	2001.20.6.9	Correspondence, 1978. (8 items)

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Series 7, Elections

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	46	2001.20.7.1	Ballots, slates of candidates, related materials. (13 items)

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Series 8, News Releases, etc.

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	47	2001.20.8.1	News releases, statements, legislative alerts, many addressing changes in nursing regulations, proposed by Gov. Francis Sargent as part of a reorganization plan, 1970s. (13 items)

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Series 9, Education/Employment

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	48	2001.20.9.1	Rules and regulations relating to continuing education for licensed nurses, ca. 1980. (10 p.)
2	49	2001.20.9.2	Notes relating to Economic and General Welfare for nurses, 1968. (4 p.)
2	50	2001.20.9.3	Letters, cards, memoranda relating to the Margaret L. Boyle Award (scholarship program), ca. 1950s.
2	51	2001.20.9.4	Criteria and application forms for Education Loan Fund, ca. 1977. (7 p.)
2	52	2001.20.9.5	Employment standards for professional nurses, miscellaneous documents relating to nursing education and employment, 1980s.

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Series 10, Programs/Services/Outreach

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	53	2001.20.10.1	Brochures, etc. relating to Massachusetts Nurses Association, 1960s-1980s. (10 items)
2	54	2001.20.10.2	Brochures, membership information, etc. relating to American Nurses Association, 1960s-1980s. (5 items)



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Series 11, Clippings

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	55	2001.20.11.1	Clippings relating to Governor Francis Sargent's proposal to reorganize the executive office of Human Services (dealing with nursing examination and registration issues), spring 1973. aqp (8 items)
2	56	2001.20.11.2	Clippings relating to Worcester nurses, nursing activities, etc., ca. 1970s. aqp (7 items)

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Series 12, Newsletters, Serial Publications, etc.

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	57	2001.20.12.1	<i>The Beacon</i> , June 1954; and 25 <sup>th</sup> anniversary edition November 1955. (3 items)
2	58	2001.20.12.2	<i>The Beacon</i> , 1986-1988 (alternate months), incomplete set, some duplication. (11 items)
2	59	2001.20.12.3	<i>The Beacon</i> , (quarterly), 1 <sup>st</sup> quarter 1991. (5 copies)
2	60	2001.20.12.4	<i>The Beacon</i> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter 1991. (5 copies)
2	61	2001.20.12.5	<i>The Beacon</i> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter 1991. (5 copies)
2	62	2001.20.12.6	<i>The Beacon</i> , 1 <sup>st</sup> quarter 1992. (5 copies)
2	63	2001.20.12.7	Guidelines for editors of <i>The Beacon</i> , memoranda relating to the newsletter, etc. (10 items)

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 Series 13, Miscellaneous

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	64	2001.20.13.1	Payroll deduction form for dues; Guidelines for Awards Committee; Notes on history of M.N.A. District 2, manuscript, pencil; Proclamation by Mayor Wells for Nurse Week 1970; Notes and statistics of M.N.A. 1969 convention; Bulletin, meeting of M.N.A. District 2, 1972; "Revised Plan for Regulating Health Professions", 1973; SNAM-SNOY application (award), 1970/1971; M.N.A. District 2, duties of office secretary, 2 copies; 25 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of District 2, M.N.A. booklet, 3 copies; M.N.A. District 2 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary booklet, 1980. (11 items)
2	65	2001.20.13.2	Guest book, event and date unknown.