PRACTICE ADVOCACY FROM THE STATE HOUSE TO THE HOSPITAL: 
ALL POLITICS IS LOCAL!
GREGORY COLLINS, DNP, CRNA
DEFINE

...professional advocacy and political influence.

ANALYZE

...the role of the state association in CRNA practice protection and promotion.

IDENTIFY

...avenues of political and professional influence from the state to the local level.
ALL OF THE OPINIONS AND IDEAS EXPRESSED HERE ARE MINE ALONE, AND DO NOT REFLECT OR REPRESENT TxANA.
“The evil is in the White House at the present time. And that evil is a man who has no care and no concern for the working class of America and the future generations of America, and who likes to ride a horse. He’s cold. He’s mean. He’s got ice water for blood.”

“He only works three to three-and-a-half hours a day. He doesn’t do his homework. He doesn’t read his briefing papers. It’s sinful that this man is president of the United States. He lacks the knowledge that he should have, on every sphere, whether it’s the domestic or whether it’s the international sphere.”

LOCAL?
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STATE ORGANIZATION

Texas Organization of Rural & Community Hospitals

Texas Hospital Association

AARP

Texas Nurses Association

APRN Alliance

TNP, Texas Nurse Practitioners

Texas Association for Bariatric Surgery
STATE ORGANIZATION
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LEGISLATION vs REGULATION
STATE ORGANIZATION
Republican primary election

Republican primary for Texas House of Representatives District 87

Incumbent Four Price defeated Drew Brassfield in the Republican primary for Texas House of Representatives District 87 on March 6, 2018.

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<th>Candidate</th>
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<td>Four Price (R)</td>
<td>78.5</td>
<td>11,240</td>
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<td>Drew Brassfield (R)</td>
<td>21.5</td>
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Incumbents are **bolded and underlined**. The results have been certified. [Source](#)  
Total votes: 14,322
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<td>CEO</td>
<td>- Drives the organization as a whole</td>
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<td>- Ensures all facets (financial, quality, and safety) are operating accordingly</td>
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<td>- High performance across entire organization</td>
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<td>- Service lines are contributing to the community</td>
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<td>- Organization is financially sound and fiscally responsible</td>
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HOSPITAL

ROLE

COO
Controlling the traffic

Facilitates overall operations of the organization
Makes sure clinical and profitability targets are met

MOTIVATION

Running everything efficiently and on time
Resources are appropriate across all service lines

HOSPITAL

ROLE

CFO

Dollars make sense

Handles all things financial

Checks the resources available for investment

MOTIVATION

Financial performance of organization

Ensures positive financial contributions are being made

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<td>Ensures high level of clinical and quality performance</td>
<td>Quality of care</td>
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<td>Verifies standards are adhered to</td>
<td>Appropriate safety protocols are in place</td>
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<td>Corrects any clinical issues that arise</td>
<td>Clinical capabilities of each service line</td>
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CNO
Nurse extraordinaire

Responsibility:
- Responsible for nursing credentials, staffing, and training
- Makes sure the right people are in the right place at the right time

Motivation:
- Proper training for all nurses
- All nursing staff are performing at the highest level possible

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<td>Ensures patients and families have a positive experience. Addresses confidentiality and comfort.</td>
<td>Patient experience. Good clinical outcomes.</td>
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FINALLY…

“OK. You have convinced me. Now go make me do it…”

- F.D.R.

ADVOCACY IS…

10% ACCESS

90% HEAT!

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QUESTIONS

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