

In September 2015 we made a huge change – the California Institute for Nursing and Health Care became *HealthImpact*.



Since 2001, *HealthImpact* has been convening partners in nursing practice, academia, and policy, creating strategies to enhance the well-being of Californians through innovation, interprofessional leadership, and nursing excellence. Together, we have addressed many complex issues that affect nurses' ability to improve the health of their communities. We are so fortunate in California to have strong partnerships and a deep commitment to continue the work. *HealthImpact* remains focused on promoting a dynamic nursing workforce that is well prepared for the future, and we wanted our new name to reflect that mission.

California and the country are in the midst of great changes in the ways health care will be delivered and experienced. Healthcare organizations are merging and partnering in new ways, health systems are developing capacity throughout the continuum of care, and many new models of care are shifting from a focus on *providing care* to one on *managing health*. As the largest provider group in California, RNs are well positioned to be important members of the healthcare team of the future. Our new name grew from a focus on nursing's fundamental contract with society and the enormous opportunity we have to partner with consumers to improve well-being for individuals, communities and entire populations.