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ANA Joins 'Just Label It' Campaign

Silver Spring, MD – The American Nurses Association (ANA) has joined a coalition urging the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to label foods that have been genetically engineered. ANA, along with nearly 400 other groups representing health professionals, consumer and environmental advocates, parents, farmers and businesses, believes people have a right to know what's in their food. The Just Label It campaign (www.justlabelit.org) is demanding that the FDA require labels on foods produced using genetic engineering.

ANA has been a vocal advocate in the issue of food policy. The association co-authored *Principles of a Healthy Food System*, which supports socially, economically and ecologically sustainable food systems that promote health, the current and future health of individuals, communities and the natural environment.

Everyone has a right to know what's in the foods they eat. Tell the FDA to label genetically engineered foods; please send your comments to the FDA.

To learn more about ANA's work on healthier foods please visit, <u>http://www.nursingworld.org/MainMenuCategories/OccupationalandEnvironmental/environmental/environmentalhealth/PolicyIssues/HealthyFoodinHealthCare.aspx</u>

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