Student Nurse Day on the Hill How to Set Appointments with Your Legislators

- 1. First, to determine who your State Senator and State Representative are, visit: http://www.gis.leg.mn/iMaps/districts/. Due to redistricting and the 2012 election results, your district and elected officials may have changed. (Your group could choose to visit the legislator that represents the district in which your school is located, or you could visit the districts where your students live. In some cases those will be the same, but if your students live in multiple districts, we recommend that you make appointments with the legislators who represent the district in which your school is located.)
- 2. Call your State Senator and State Representative's Capitol phone numbers, and speak with their legislative aides. Explain that you are coming to the Capitol for Student Nurses Day on the Hill and ask for a few moments to meet with them. Please keep in mind that their schedules are very hectic and many other people and groups are requesting meetings as well. Most legislators will only have a short time to spend with you.
- 3. If the aide tells you that the legislator doesn't have any time available that day, ask if you can pull him or her out of a committee meeting or floor session that day. If yes, ask the aide if he or she will assist you in doing that.
- If you have any questions or run into any problems, please contact Katie Gjertson, MNA Political Organizer, at 651-414-2832 or katie.gjertson@mnnurses.org.