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*Tacoma, WA!*

# NPANA *Fall Conference*

ROOTED IN SAFETY,  
GROWING IN EXCELLENCE:

*A Season of  
Safe Transitions*



OCTOBER 3<sup>RD</sup> &  
OCTOBER 4<sup>TH</sup> 2026



HOTEL MURANO  
TACOMA, WA



ATTEND  
*in person or  
virtually.*

*Connect.  
Learn.  
Inspire.*

TOGETHER, WE SPARK  
EXCELLENCE IN  
PERIANESTHESIA NURSING.



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Contact Hours

# 2026 FALL CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

OCTOBER 3–4, 2026 • HOTEL MURANO, TACOMA, WA

*Conference starts at 07:45 for all attendees both days*

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3

|             |                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                           |
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| 7:00–7:45   |   | Registration Opens<br>Breakfast<br>Vendors                                                |
| 7:45–8:00   |                                                                                    | Opening Announcements<br>Zane Zuchowski                                                   |
| 8:00–8:50   |                                                                                    | Perioperative Surgical Home<br>Dr. Mohamed Imam                                           |
| 8:50–9:00   |                                                                                    | Q&A                                                                                       |
| 9:00–9:50   |                                                                                    | PACU Emergencies<br>Lori Erni                                                             |
| 9:50–10:00  |                                                                                    | Q&A                                                                                       |
| 10:00–10:15 |                                                                                    | Breaks & Vendors                                                                          |
| 10:15–11:05 |                                                                                   | Being Present: Lessons in Safety<br>in a Distracted World<br>Meena Gasparino              |
| 11:05–11:15 |                                                                                  | Q&A                                                                                       |
| 11:15–12:05 |                                                                                  | Quality Improvement in Pediatric<br>Perioperative Care<br>Janette Parks & Pam Christensen |
| 12:05–12:15 |                                                                                  | Q&A                                                                                       |
| 12:15–13:15 |                                                                                  | Lunch<br>Vendors<br>Local Charity                                                         |
| 13:15–14:05 |                                                                                  | Nursing Education & Simulation<br>Jocelyn Ludlow                                          |
| 14:05–14:15 |                                                                                  | Q&A                                                                                       |
| 14:15–15:05 |                                                                                  | LGBTQIA+ Patients in<br>Perianesthesia Environments<br>Toby Johnson                       |
| 15:05–15:15 |                                                                                  | Q&A                                                                                       |
| 15:15–15:30 |                                                                                  | Closing Remarks<br>Zane Zuchowski / Board of Directors                                    |

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

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|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 7:00–7:45   |   | Registration Opens<br>Breakfast<br>Vendors                                                                 |
| 7:45–8:00   |                                                                                      | Opening Announcements<br>Zane Zuchowski                                                                    |
| 8:00–9:00   |                                                                                      | NPANA Member Meeting<br>BOD                                                                                |
| 9:00–9:50   |                                                                                      | Washington State Department<br>of Health<br>Reuben Argel                                                   |
| 9:50–10:00  |                                                                                      | Q&A                                                                                                        |
| 10:00–10:15 |                                                                                      | Break                                                                                                      |
| 10:15–11:05 |                                                                                     | When Caring Hurts: Recognizing<br>and Healing Secondary Trauma<br>Julie McQuieter                          |
| 11:05–11:15 |                                                                                    | Q&A                                                                                                        |
| 11:15–12:05 |                                                                                    | The American Board of<br>Perianesthesia Nursing Certification<br>Glen Padrid                               |
| 12:05–12:15 |                                                                                    | Q&A                                                                                                        |
| 12:15–13:05 |                                                                                    | Robotic-Assisted Minimally<br>Invasive Surgery for Common<br>Hepatobiliary Conditions<br>Dr. Alex Cantafio |
| 13:05–13:15 |                                                                                    | Q&A                                                                                                        |
| 13:15–13:30 |                                                                                    | Closing<br>Board of Directors                                                                              |



Meals provided  
for all in-person  
attendees.



In-person and  
virtual attendees  
are welcome.



Full attendance in  
all sessions is  
required to earn  
CE credits.



## 1 REGISTRATION & FEES

### Register Online: [www.npana.nursingnetwork.com](http://www.npana.nursingnetwork.com)

Last day to register is 09/30/2026. No day-of event registration.

Last day to receive a registration refund minus processing fees is 10/02/2026.

#### Fees

- NPANA Member – Early Bird\* \$250 / Regular \$275
- Non-Member – Early Bird\* \$270 / Regular \$295
- Virtual/Online ONLY – Early Bird\* \$150 / Regular \$175
- Retired RN/Nursing Student (no CE'S) – \$140

\*Early Bird Rates end 8/17/2026.



## 2 OBJECTIVES, GOALS & OUTCOME

### Objectives & Goals

- Establish networking relationships with colleagues to exchange ideas and best practices on current topics on nursing.
- Share advances in practice, education, research, and quality management.
- Gain knowledge of evidence-based practices and discuss strategic application of those practices within the perianesthesia field.
- Support participants in maximizing their educational experience and professional development.

### Outcome

80% of attendees will report that the information presented either validates or enhances their perianesthesia nursing practice.



## 3 HOTEL INFORMATION

### Hotel Murano

**Address:** 1320 Broadway, Tacoma, WA 98402

**Phone:** (253) 238-8000

#### Discounted Rates\*

- \$195.00 Single/Double Occupancy
- \$205.00\* Triple Occupancy
- \$215.00\* Quadruple Occupancy



**Online Reservation:** <https://bit.ly/3O2oVaz>



**Phone Reservation:** Call (253) 238-0199 and use group code: **NWPERI2026**

#### Other Hotel Information

- Complimentary Wi-Fi
- Fitness center with Peloton bike
- Free Bike Rentals to explore the city
- Overnight self-parking available for \$30 per night
- In-room coffee
- Restaurant & Lounge on-site
- Hotel Room check-in at 3:00pm
- Hotel Room check-out at 11:00am

### Scan to book hotel



## 4 DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO HOTEL MURANO

### From the North

- Take I-5 South toward Tacoma.
- Take Exit 133 for I-705 / City Center.
- Continue on I-705 toward downtown Tacoma.
- Take the A Street exit.
- Turn left onto S 15th Street, then turn right onto Broadway.
- Hotel Murano is located at 1320 Broadway.

### From the South

- Take I-5 North toward Tacoma.
- Take Exit 133 for I-705 / City Center.
- Merge onto I-705 toward downtown Tacoma.
- Take the A Street exit.
- Turn right onto S 15th Street, then turn right onto Broadway.
- Hotel Murano is located at 1320 Broadway.

### Flying

#### SEATAC Airport (SEA)

It is an approximate 30-minute Drive to Hotel Murano. The Hotel Murano does not offer an airport shuttle service. Transportation options include public transportation, ride-sharing, and rental car service.



## CONFERENCE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS



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## COMMUNITY SERVICE PARTNER

*The Wishing Well*

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📞 (206) 406-2398

The Wishing Well is a nonprofit support agency focused on the well-being of abused and neglected youth within the foster care system. It provides new and gently used clothing and school supplies to children ages 0–18 who are currently placed in the foster care system in Pierce County and seven surrounding counties. The Wishing Well is the only foster support agency of its kind working in Pierce County and the surrounding region.



### Mission:

*To provide clothing, supplies, and experiences unavailable to most foster kids and to help retain quality foster homes in Pierce County by addressing financial barriers to accepting foster placements.*



## OTHER INFORMATION



Slide decks will be posted to the NPANA website no later than 9/26/2026. Physical handouts will not be provided.



Conference attire is business casual, room temperature may vary, so plan accordingly.



Northwest Perianesthesia Nurses' Association (NPANA) is an approved provider of continuing education by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider Number 16291, for 10.0 contact hours.



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CE certificates will only be awarded up to 90 days from the date of the event. Replacements will not be issued after 90 days.



NPANA reserves the right to substitute speakers/topics, adjust credit hours, or cancel the event if necessary.



Charity raffle entry is available with ticket purchase by all in-person attendees. Virtual attendees will have the option of entering a virtual raffle. All proceeds benefit The Wishing Well Foundation of Tacoma, WA.