

Welcome to the ASPAN 30th National Conference!

The Perianesthesia Event of 2011!

Welcome to Seattle and the 30th Annual ASPAN National Conference where you can *Reinvest in Your Potential*. Some highlights of the upcoming conference:

- ***Sunday evening*** Kick off conference by following the “Yellow Brick Road” to Component Night in the Emerald City, a fun meet-and-greet time. Convention Center 6 ABC. All are welcome!
- The Exhibit Hall opens on ***Monday evening*** at 5 pm in Convention Center 4F. Join the vendors to see the latest and greatest in technology and healthcare.
- ***Monday-Thursday*** Attend educational sessions with the potential to obtain contact hours in a variety of topics. Don’t miss the *Research* and *Celebrate Successful Practices* posters and oral sessions.
- ***Wednesday night*** Join outgoing President Kim Kraft at the President’s Reception as she celebrates the conclusion of a very successful year!
- Be sure to take time to enjoy the beautiful city of Seattle, the Emerald City. Don’t miss the view from the Space Needle, Pike’s Place Market, and so much more!

Registration Now Open

The Registration Desk is now open in the Convention Center 4D. Please stop by to register and pick up your conference materials. ***Remember: ASPAN no longer provides a syllabus at conference; all conference topics and speaker-provided materials are available online at www.aspan.org.***

Credentials Booth is Open

For anyone needing to credential for the Representative Assembly, the credentialing booth is open in the Convention Center 605-610 today between 7:30- 8:50 am.

Representative Assembly Meets Today

Speaking of the Representative Assembly (RA), today is the big day. ASPAN leaders and

component representatives meet to decide the future path of ASPAN. At this exciting meeting, held from 9 am – 5:45 pm in the Convention Center 605-610, you are welcome to come and see ASPAN in action as the business of ASPAN is conducted. Should be an exciting election of new officers!

Seating in Educational Sessions

All sessions require an admission ticket. Check your registration materials carefully when you receive them. **Lost or forgotten tickets will not be replaced.**

Silent Auction Items

Your donations to the auction can be left at the ASPAN Registration Desk. The auction starts Monday at 5 pm in the Exhibit Hall.

ASPAN Development Dream Walk

The ASPAN Development Dream Walk kicked off this morning at 6:30 am. Didn’t have a chance to participate? It is not too late to make a donation to ASPAN Development to help support ASPAN members with scholarships and grants. Look for details of more upcoming events hosted by ASPAN Development throughout the week. Remember ASPAN Development supports you!

12 Step Meeting

Monday-Tuesday-Wednesday 5:05 – 6:00 pm. Contact information and meeting room will be posted on bulletin board.

Component Presidents’ Luncheon

ASPAN component presidents and vice-presidents meet today at a luncheon in their honor at 11 am in the Convention Center 602-603. ***Invitation Only.***

Host and Hostess Orientation

If you have volunteered to be a national conference host or hostess, there will be an orientation session today from 4:00-5:00 pm in the Convention Center 604.

Considering Certification?

ABPANC hosts a test-taking strategies session today from 11 am – 12 pm in the Willow Room in the Sheraton.

Component Night

Welcome to ASPAN's national conference kick-off event. Come and join us as we trip on down the yellow brick road on route to the Emerald City. Join us in the Convention Center 6ABC dressed as your favorite character from the *Wizard of Oz*. We've got it all: entertainment, competitions, fund-raising, food, cash bar, friends and colleagues! Don't miss your first chance to catch up with old friends and meet new friends.

Region 1 Component Leadership Meeting

Monday, 5:30-7:00 pm, in Convention Center room 602. Region 1 leaders and members are invited to meet your new Regional Director, network with other leaders in your region, discuss "hot topics" for your components, and celebrate your component Presidents. Contact Nancy O--303-437-5546.

Region 2 Component Leadership Meeting

Region 2 will meet on Monday from 6:00-8:00 pm in room 613 in the Convention Center.

Region 3 Component Leadership Meeting

Just a reminder for Region 3 component leaders to attend the Region 3 meeting on Monday from 6:00 - 8:00 pm in Room 611 in the Convention Center. Contact Martha Clark, Region 3 Director.

Region 4 Component Leadership Meeting

Region 4 component leaders will meet from 6:00-8:00 pm on Monday in room 612 of the Convention Center. Contact Terry Clifford for more information.

Region 5 Component Leadership Meeting

Region 5 component leaders will meet from 6:00-8:00 pm in room 614.

Not an ASPAN Member?

Non-members who pre-registered received a raffle ticket for one year of ASPAN membership. If you are a non-member registering onsite prior to Sunday evening, be sure you received your ticket. The drawing will be held Sunday during the Component Night festivities. Good Luck! Not a member and didn't win? Consider joining ASPAN today!

ABPANC Celebrates 25th Anniversary of CPAN Credential

ABPANC invites you to stop by our table during Component Night to join us in celebrating the 25th anniversary of the CPAN® credential! Stop by and have a cupcake!

CPAN®/CAPA® Celebration Luncheon

Tired of getting up really early? Tomorrow is the first CPAN®/CAPA® Celebration Luncheon. The luncheon will be held at the Sheraton Hotel in the Grand Ballroom from 12:15 to 2:15 pm. Doors open at 12:15 pm. Don't forget to bring your admission ticket. Check at the ASPAN Registration desk to see if tickets are available. You must be a CPAN® and/or CAPA® certified nurse to attend.

CPAN®/CAPA® Certification Exams

ABPANC applauds the over 1100 candidates who sat for the CPAN®/CAPA® certification exams this past year, given on computer at Prometric Testing Centers throughout the country. Stop by the ABPANC exhibit booth to learn more about Computer Based Testing and to see a demonstration of this test delivery method. Demonstrations will be every 15 - 20 minutes during exhibit hours.

ABPANC Exhibit Booth

Stop by the ABPANC Exhibit Booth when it opens Monday to get your CPAN®/CAPA® ribbons and to speak to members of the ABPANC Board and staff who are available to answer your questions about certification, how to recertify, how to become a Certification Coach and about the online recertification application and electronic file cabinet for storing your contact hours for recertification.

ASPAN Shoppe Opens at 1 o'clock Today

Back by popular demand is the daily drawing for merchandise; you do not have to be present to win, but you must visit the Shoppe again to redeem your prize.

Don't forget your 'Go Green' reusable shopping bag with the ASPAN logo. The bag is large enough to hold ASPAN publications, pins, mugs, or many of the small items that make ideal gifts for coworkers unable to attend conference. ***Located in Convention Center 400.***

Region 4 Director Laura Kling, who could not be with us due to a knee injury is sending everyone her best wishes for a very successful National Conference. We miss you Laura!

