

Welcome to the 34th ASPAN National Conference!

The Perianesthesia Event of 2015!

Welcome to San Antonio and the 34th ASPAN National Conference. This year's conference theme is **"Igniting Professionalism: Excellence in Practice, Leadership and Collaboration."**

Here are some events you won't want to miss:

Sunday:

- Kick off the conference by joining in for the 20th annual **"Dream Walk, Treasure Quest."** Raise money for the ASPAN Scholarship programs. Meet in the Grand Hyatt Hotel lobby at 6:15 am. Starting time is 6:30 am.
- End your day by attending **Component Night 2015, "Boogie Back to Texas!"** Come as you are, or come dressed as one of the many famous or infamous characters out of Texas history. There will be entertainment, competitions, food, cash bar, friends and colleagues! Don't miss your first chance to catch up with old friends and meet new ones. Festivities start at 7:00 pm, and will be held in the Texas Ballroom in the Grand Hyatt Hotel.

Monday:

- Be a part of the **Opening Ceremonies.** Listen to keynote speaker Craig Clapper inspire and empower you to create an environment of improved outcomes and best practices. Opening session will be held in Ballroom A in the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center.
- The **Exhibit Hall** opens at 5:00 pm. Meet the vendors to see the latest and greatest in technology and healthcare, and thank them for their support of ASPAN. The Exhibit Hall is in the Lone Star Ballroom in the Grand Hyatt Hotel.
- **Monday-Thursday:** Attend **educational sessions**, with the potential to obtain many contact hours in a variety of topics. Don't miss the *Research* and *Celebrate Successful Practices* posters in the Exhibit Hall.

- **Monday Night:** The ASPAN **Development Reception** is an evening event, taking place at 7:30 pm in the one-of-a-kind Lonesome Dove Ballroom at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center. The evening will include food, music, giveaways, and program, including the *Hail, Honor, Salute!* campaign. Ticket required.
- **Tuesday Night:** As she celebrates the conclusion to a very successful year, please join outgoing President Jacque Crosson at the **President's Reception!** The reception is being held at 7:00 pm in the Texas Ballroom at the Grand Hyatt Hotel.
- **Wednesday Night: Reception** for **Military and International** attendees at 6:00 pm in Crocket A&B at the Grand Hyatt.
- Be sure to take time to enjoy **San Antonio, with its famous River Walk and many other attractions.** There are wonderful restaurants, shopping, and many other places to sightsee and explore.

Registration Now Open

The Registration Desk is now open in the West Pre-function Texas Ballroom in the Grand Hyatt Hotel. ASPAN provides a syllabus at conference with the session objectives listed. Conference outlines or handouts 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 Sunday 7:30 am – 8:50 am outside 103 A&B at the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center.

Representative Assembly Meets Today

At this exciting meeting, ASPAN leaders and component representatives meet to discuss, decide and vote on the future path of ASPAN. Stop by and observe the Representative Assembly at work. Held from 9:00 am – 5:45 pm in 103 A&B in the Henry B. Gonzalez Convention Center.

First Timers Orientation

Is this your first time attending National Conference? Attend an orientation to get the most out of your experience at Conference.

- Sunday, April 26: 5:15 pm - 6:15 pm in Presidio A-C at the Grand Hyatt, or
- Monday, April 27: 7:00 am - 8:00 am in Texas D-F in the Grand Hyatt.

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 5:00 pm in the Exhibit Hall.

ASPAN Development Dream Walk

Didn't have a chance to participate in the ASPAN Development Dream Walk this morning? It's 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 Development during the week.

12 Step Meeting

12 Step Meeting will be held Monday, April 27, and Wednesday, April 29, from 5:05 pm – 6:00 pm in Bonham E in the Grand Hyatt San Antonio.

Component Presidents' Luncheon

ASPAN component presidents and vice-presidents meet today for a luncheon in their honor at 12 pm. **By 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 pm - 5:00 pm, Crockett B in the Grand Hyatt.

ASPAN Shoppe

For your conference shopping convenience, *The ASPAN Shoppe* is open daily, Sunday through Wednesday in the Seguin A&B in the Grand Hyatt. Hours are posted at the Shoppe. Treat yourself, and the folks at home, to an ASPAN souvenir. Visit the Bargain Table for great buys. **Register for the daily drawing!**

ASPAN's educational materials are also available for purchase at the Shoppe. Buy them here and eliminate shipping costs.

Come Celebrate 30 Years of Nursing Passion in Action

Stop by the ABPANC table at Component Night tonight to enjoy a cupcake, celebrating the 30th anniversary of ABPANC.

CPAN®/CAPA® Celebration Luncheon

Tomorrow is the CPAN®/CAPA® Celebration Luncheon in the Texas Ballroom A-C at the Grand Hyatt from 12:15 pm 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.

ABPANC Exhibit Booth

Stop by the ABPANC Booth when the Exhibits open on Monday to get your CPAN®/CAPA® ribbons. Stay and speak to members of the ABPANC Board and staff who are available to answer your questions about certification, recertification, becoming a Certification Coach and the online electronic file cabinet for storing your contact hours.

ASPAN Conference App

Don't forget to activate your profile on the app so you can connect with friends and colleagues here at the conference and take advantage of the chat feature!

JBI Training Grant Application Requirements

Please see Training Grant Application & Program Overview on the ASPAN Web site.

JBI Training dates in San Francisco, CA:

August 10 to 14, 2015

September 14 to 18, 2015

Questions: knoble@aspan.org, ecard@aspan.org

Literature Review: Tuesday, April 28, from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm in Travis A&B

Component Corner

MNDAKSPAN – Get together Monday, April 27, at 5:30 pm at the Barriba Cantina, 111 W. Crockett Street. Use the stairs to get to the restaurant. The reservation is under MNDAKSPAN - Ruth Novack. RSVP to Ruth at 612-388-3051.

MOKAN PANA – Meeting Tuesday, April 28, from 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm in Bonham E in the Grand Hyatt San Antonio.

ILSPAN – Dessert reception on Wednesday, April 29, from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, in Crockett C&D at the Grand Hyatt San Antonio.