

***National PartICUIArS* 2018 Preconference Issue**

Welcome to ASPAN's 37th National Conference in Sunny Anaheim, California!

ASPAN is delighted that you registered for its 37th National Conference! This year's conference theme is ***Detecting Greatness: The Proof is in Our Practice***. Days filled with educational and fun events await you at ASPAN's host hotel, the Anaheim Marriott, within close distance to many of the area attractions, shopping, and restaurants.

Getting around Anaheim and southern California is convenient and inexpensive on Anaheim's Resort Transportation. There is a stop right outside of the Anaheim Marriott. Find transportation details at www.rideart.org.

Relaxation, Shopping, Entertainment

There are lots of things to see and do in Anaheim and the surrounding area. Check out www.visitanaheim.org to plan your activities once in Anaheim. Some popular attractions to visit include:

- Disneyland®
- California Adventure®
- Downtown Disney
- Knott's Berry Farm
- Legoland
- Universal Studios
- Six Flags Magic Mountain
- Anaheim Ducks National Hockey League
- Anaheim Angels Major League Baseball
- Hollywood, Sunset Boulevard, Hollywood Sign
- Walk of Fame
- Beverly Hills and Rodeo Drive
- Shopping at Anaheim Gardenwalk
- Outlets at Orange
- South Coast Plaza Shopping
- Fashion Island
- Museums galore!
- Craft breweries
- Beaches, beaches, beaches!
- San Diego, San Diego Zoo, Gas Lamp District

National PartICUIArS

Read the ***National PartICUIArS*** every day for news and updated information about the day's conference activities. ***PartICUIArS*** will be available each morning at the Registration Desk and at www.aspan.org.

Host/Hostess Orientation

Attention conference hosts and hostesses! To receive your conference assignment and green apron, attend one orientation session at the Anaheim Marriott on:

- **Saturday, April 28** from 3:00 – 4:00 PM **or**
- **Sunday, April 29** from 4:00 – 5:00 PM

If you wish to volunteer while at the National Conference, you can still become a **Host/Hostess**. Contact Karen Woods at 707-227-7943 or karenw@panac.org. Active category and Retired category members may serve and receive a small compensation.

Session Moderator Orientation

If you are interested in becoming a **Session Moderator**, contact Kim Kraft at 314-956-2313 or kkraft1589@gmail.com. This is a great way to participate and let others get to know who you are and also meet ASPAN's speakers.

Orientation for ASPAN volunteers serving as moderators will be **Saturday, April 28** from 4:15 – 5:15 PM at the Anaheim Marriott. This is the **only** scheduled orientation session for moderators to learn details of this crucial conference role.

Meet the Candidates

Candidates for positions on ASPAN's Board of Directors will be available to greet ASPAN members on **Saturday, April 28** from 6:30 – 7:30 PM at the Platinum Patio at the Anaheim Marriott.

Preconference Offerings

Saturday, April 28, from 8:00 AM to 5:45 PM, Kim Noble, PhD, RN, ACCNS-AG, CPAN, will share and review all things perianesthesia, including pathophysiology, pharmacology, aging, research, and more. Her session is titled *Perianesthesia Clinical Priorities*.

Sunday, April 29, from 8:00 AM to 4:55 PM, Linda Ziolkowski, MSN, RN, CPAN, will present *Perianesthesia Certification Review*. This session will cover key topics essential for preparing the perianesthesia nurse to take the CPAN and/or CAPA certification examinations.

Preregistration with an additional fee is required for each preconference offering.

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Conference is "Green"

You can help the environment by downloading outlines *only* for the sessions for which you are registered.

Materials will be available on the ASPAN Web site beginning April 19, 2018 through June 1, 2018. Your conference confirmation letter provides the link to access syllabus material online and print your handouts. (Speakers may or may not choose to provide downloadable copies of their PowerPoint presentations to ASPAN.)

Representative Assembly

ASPAN's 21st Representative Assembly (RA) convenes on **Sunday, April 29** from 9:00 AM until 5:00 PM. The Representative Assembly, facilitated by President Susan Russell, BSN, RN, JD, CPAN, CAPA, will meet for informal hearings during the morning to discuss questions, issues and topics related to where ASPAN is today. The candidates for national offices will make their presentations from 9:00 – 10:15 AM. The Formal Session of the RA begins at 2:15 PM. ASPAN members are encouraged to attend and observe your ASPAN leaders and organization at work! The RA will meet in Platinum 5 at the Anaheim Marriott.

The ASPAN Shoppe: 2018

For your conference shopping convenience, *The ASPAN Shoppe* opens daily, Sunday through Wednesday. Hours are posted at the Shoppe. Treat yourself, and the folks at home, to an ASPAN souvenir. **Register for the daily drawing!**

First Timers Orientation

Get all you can out of this experience! Attend one of the following:

- **Sunday, April 29** from 5:15 – 6:15 PM **or**
- **Monday, April 30** from 7:00 – 8:00 AM

Check conference pocket guide for room location.

Special Conference Events

ASPAN Development Dream Walk

Grab your sneakers! Participate in the annual walk to raise funds for the activities of ASPAN Development. Enjoy an early morning walk that originates from the hotel and takes you to the edge of Downtown Disney® and back. **Sunday, April 29, beginning at 6:30 AM in the Anaheim Marriott Lobby.**

Component Night: Everything Hollywood!

Component night is an evening of fun to share with all the components. Begin your conference week **Sunday, April 29** from 7:00 – 9:00 PM. Come dressed as your favorite movie or TV personality. Get dazzled on the red carpet and enjoy the glitz and glamour at the Oscar-like

party! Greet old friends and make new ones! Eat, laugh, and have fun with your nursing colleagues! Cash bar. In the Anaheim Marriott Grand Ballroom.

CPAN®/CAPA® Celebration Luncheon

Honor yourself! Be recognized along with other CPAN and CAPA certified nurses at a Celebration Luncheon on **Monday, April 30**. Speaker Christine Cashen, MAEd, CSP, will speak on *Get What You Want With What You've Got!* Anaheim Marriott Grand Ballroom F-K. **Tickets must be purchased in advance.**

Support ASPAN's Exhibitors

A ribbon-cutting ceremony marks the opening of the ASPAN Exhibit Hall on **Monday, April 30** at 5:00 PM. Visit exhibits on **Tuesday, May 1** from 7:00 - 9:30 AM, 12:00 - 2:00 PM and 4:00 - 6:30 PM. On **Wednesday, May 2**, hours are from 7:00 – 9:00 AM. Anaheim Marriott, Marquis Ballroom. **Please be sure to thank all of our fine ASPAN exhibitors for their support!**

ASPAN Development Breakfast

Begin Wednesday morning by supporting ASPAN, earning .75 contact hour, honoring your friends and colleagues, and enjoying breakfast. **Wednesday, May 2, 6:30 – 8:30 AM.** Anaheim Marriott Platinum 9-10. We are pleased to have ASPAN Past President Chris Price, MSN, RN, CPAN, CAPA, as our guest speaker. Come, hear *The Impact of Paying It Forward*. **Tickets must be purchased in advance.**

President's Reception Wednesday Night!

All conference participants are invited to celebrate ASPAN's year of achievements with **President Susan Russell** and ASPAN leaders. Come dressed in your favorite party attire on **Wednesday, May 2**, from 7:00 – 9:00 PM. Anaheim Marriott Grand Ballroom.

Postconference Workshop

After Closing Ceremonies, more contact hours are available for you! Spend **Thursday afternoon, May 3**, with Maureen McLaughlin, MS, RN, ACNS-BC, CPAN, CAPA, as she presents *From Novice to Expert: Experience the Joy of Perianesthesia Nursing!* Session begins at 12:00 PM. **Preregistration with an additional fee is required.**

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Rooms may change. Please check Pocket Guide once at conference for activity locations.

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News Items for National PARTiCUIArS

While at conference, please bring news items to the marked box at the ASPAN Registration Desk. You may also email news items to bgodden@aspan.org. **Items must be submitted by 11:00 AM to be included in the NEXT day's newsletter. May be edited for space.**