

Welcome to the 38th ASPAN National Conference!

Welcome to ASPAN's 38th National Conference in Nashville, Tennessee: "Music City" of America

ASPAN is delighted that you registered for its 38th National Conference! This year's conference theme is ***Leading with Knowledge – Serving with Heart***. Days filled with education and fun await you at ASPAN's host hotel, The Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center, with easy access to many area attractions, shopping, and restaurants.

Relaxation, Shopping, Entertainment

Check out <https://www.visitmusiccity.com/> and <https://www.nashville.com/> to plan your activities, while in Nashville. Some popular attractions to visit include:

- Grand Old Opry House
- Ryman Auditorium, the original Grand Old Opry
- Country Music Walk of Fame and Museum
- Historical RCA Studio B
- Opry Mills Mall
- General Jackson Showboat
- Hattie B's famous Nashville Hot Chicken
- Bluebird Café
- Honky Tonk Highway for exciting nightlife, including Tootsies Orchid Lounge, The Stage, Legends Corner and the Second Fiddle
- Fort Nashborough, Nashville's first settlement
- Hermitage, home of President Andrew Jackson
- Belle Meade Mansion/Plantation
- Parthenon in Centennial Park
- Cheekwood Botanical Gardens
- Variety of city tours
- Tennessee State Capitol Museum, Frist Center for the Visual Arts, Vanderbilt University and Belmont University.
- Several professional sports arenas
- Golf courses nearby
- The "Nash-Trash" Tour to see where the stars live

App for the Gaylord Opryland Resort

Our host facility has an app to help you find the resort's stores, restaurants and meeting rooms. In your App Store, search for "Navigate Gaylord Hotels" and download the app. With your location settings off, select Gaylord Opryland Resort & Convention Center from the various Gaylord properties. Then turn on your location settings, and you'll be all set!

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.

News Items for National PartICUIArS

Please bring news items to the marked box at the ASPAN Registration Desk. You may also email news items to bgodden@aspan.org. **All items must be submitted by 10:00 am to be included in the NEXT day's newsletter. May be edited for space.**

Host/Hostess Orientation

Attend this orientation session to receive your conference assignment and green apron:

Sunday, May 5 from 4:00 – 5:00 pm in
Jackson C-D

If interested, you can still become a **Host/Hostess**. Contact Jamye Gilliard at 931-624-2410 or jgilliard@bellsouth.net. Active and Retired category members may serve and receive a small compensation.

Registration Now Open

The Registration Desk is now open at the **Presidential Registration Desk/Lobby**. ASPAN provides a syllabus at conference with the session objectives listed. Conference outlines or handouts are available online at www.aspan.org.

Welcome Military Attendees!

We have ribbons for those who are on active military duty, and now we have a ribbon for our retired, reserve and veterans. Please pick them up and wear proudly.

First Timers Orientation

Get all you can out of this experience! Attend one of the following in the **Ryman Ballroom**:

- **Sunday, May 5** from 5:15 – 6:15 pm
- **Monday, May 6** from 7:00 – 8:00 am

Silent Auction Items

Your donations to the auction can be left at the ASPAN Registration Desk. The auction starts Monday at 6:00 pm in the Exhibit Hall.

Credentialing Desk is Open

If you need to credential for the Representative Assembly, the credentialing booth is open Sunday 7:30–8:50 am as well as 1:15-2:00 pm outside Presidential Ballroom B.

Special Events Not to Miss:

Sunday

ASPAN Development Dream Walk

Grab your sneakers! Participate in the annual walk to raise funds for ASPAN Development.

Sunday, May 5, beginning at 6:30 am in the Gaylord Opryland Lobby. Additional fee.

Representative Assembly Meets Today

Listen to candidate presentations and hear issues being brought up for discussion and voting by ASPAN leaders and component representatives. Come and observe your organization at work! **Presidential Ballroom A-B starting at 9:00 am.**

Component Night

Denim, Diamonds, and Dancing!

Component Night is an evening of fun to share with all the components. **Sunday, May 5, 7:00–9:00 pm in Presidential Ballroom C-E.**

Greet old friends and make new ones! Eat, laugh, and have fun with your nursing colleagues!

ASPAN Shoppe

The ASPAN Shoppe is open daily, Sunday through Wednesday, in **Presidential Chamber B.** Hours posted at the Shoppe.

Take Time for Yourself!

Enjoy all the sights, sounds and culinary treats of Nashville and the surrounding area.

Monday

Committee and SWT Meetings

If you have been selected for a committee or SWT for 2019-2020, these groups will be meeting from **7:00-8:00 am in Presidential Ballroom A-B.**

Specialty Practice Group (SPG) Meetings

These groups will meet from **8:00-8:30 am in Presidential Ballroom A-B.**

Opening Ceremonies /Keynote Speaker

Starts at **9:00 am. Presidential Ballroom C-E.**

CPAN®/CAPA® Celebration Luncheon

Be recognized, along with other CPAN and CAPA certified nurses, on **Monday, May 6 in Presidential Ballroom A. Tickets must be purchased in advance.**

ABPANC RECERTIFICATION MYTH

My card says my certification expires on May 1, so I have until May to recertify for the Spring Cycle. **Fact:** The deadline for those recertifying in the Spring Cycle is April 30 at 11:59 pm ET. www.cpancapa.org/recertification/schedules-fees/

Exhibit Hall

Exhibits open at 6:00 pm in Ryman Hall B2-4. Meet the vendors and see the latest and greatest in technology and healthcare.

Monday-Thursday

Attend **educational sessions** on a variety of topics. Visit the ***Research and Celebrate Successful Practices*** posters in the Exhibit Hall.

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.**

Wednesday

Development Breakfast

Wednesday, May 8, 6:30 – 8:30 am. Lincoln C-E. Support ASPAN, earn .75 contact hour, honor your friends and colleagues, and enjoy breakfast. Listen to ASPAN Past President Terry Clifford, MSN, RN, CPAN, CAPA, FASPAN, speak on *Walking the Winding Path*. **Tickets *must* be purchased in advance.**

President's Reception

Wednesday, May 8, from 7:00 – 9:00 pm. All attendees are invited! **Presidential Ballroom C-E.** Join outgoing President Regina Hoefner-Notz and ASPAN leaders as we celebrate the conclusion to a very successful year for ASPAN!

Component Corner

RMPANA: Breakfast Tuesday, May 7, 2019, from 7-9 am in room Jackson D.

RMPANA / VT/NH APAN: Cocktail reception for President Regina Hoefner-Notz and Incoming President Amy Dooley and respective component members. Tuesday 7-8 pm. Room TBD.