

National PARTiCUIArS 2022 Preconference Issue

Welcome to ASPAN's 41st National Conference in Philadelphia!

ASPAN is delighted that you registered for its 41st National Conference! This year's conference theme is *Perianesthesia Nursing Together – Importance of Connection, Power of Community*. Education and fun events await you at ASPAN's host hotel, the Philadelphia Marriott Downtown.

Historic Sights

Philadelphia, founded in 1682 by William Penn, has a rich history. Your inner tourist will enjoy wandering historic neighborhoods and cobblestone streets, viewing our nation's history up close:

- Independence National Historical Park
- Constitution Center
- Independence Hall
- Liberty Bell
- Old City and Society Hill

Travel a little further, and visit:

- Valley Forge, a short distance away
- New York City (1.5 hours)
- Baltimore/Washington DC (2 hours)
- Boston (5 hours)

Relaxation, Shopping, Entertainment

A wide variety of venues offer relaxation, shopping, and entertainment:

- Chinatown
- Love Park
- Philadelphia Zoo
- Longwood Gardens
- Philadelphia Museum of Art (the iconic *Rocky* steps and statue)
- The Franklin Institute
- Rittenhouse Square
- Take a double-decker bus tour or carriage ride to see the city sights.
- Much more.....

The Reading Terminal Market is within walking distance, across the street from the Marriott, with more than 80 merchants. You may be tempted to try many of Philly's

culinary treats – from Amish delights, a Philly cheesesteak, a roast pork sandwich, scrapple to fried pickles! Nearby, fine cuisine establishments to historic taverns will satisfy every palate. Sports, theater, and music events may round out your itinerary.

**** Please check for event room assignments upon arrival to the hotel, which will be posted by Registration in the Ballroom Foyer. ****

Preconference Education

Wednesday, April 6, from 8:00 am to 12:30 pm, Myrna Mamaril, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, CPAN, CAPA, FAAN, FASPAN, will present *Perianesthesia Priorities for Trauma Patients*.

Wednesday, April 6, from 1:30 pm to 6:00 pm, Myrna Mamaril, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, CPAN, CAPA, FAAN, FASPAN, will present *Perianesthesia Priorities for Pediatric Patients*.

Thursday, April 7, from 8:00 am to 4:55 pm, Denise O'Brien, DNP, RN, ACNS-BC, CPAN, CAPA, FAAN, FCNS, FASPAN, will present *Perianesthesia Certification Review*.

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

Host/Hostess Orientation

Wednesday, April 6, from 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Thursday, April 7, from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

You only need to attend one session.

Session Moderator Orientation

Wednesday, April 6, from 4:15 pm to 5:15 pm

Meet the Candidates

Wednesday, April 6 from 6:30 pm -7:30 pm

First Timers Orientation

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

- **Thursday, April 7** from 5:15 pm – 6:15 pm **or**,
- **Friday, April 8** from 7:00 am – 8:00 am

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Representative Assembly

ASPAN's 25th Representative Assembly (RA) convenes on **Thursday, April 7** from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm. The Representative Assembly, facilitated by President Jennifer Kilgore, BSN, RN, CPAN, 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.

Committee and Strategic Work Team Meetings

Friday, April 8, from 7:00 am to 8:00 am

Specialty Practice Group (SPG) Meetings

Friday, April 8, from 8:00 am to 8:30 am

Conference Handouts

Outlines will be available for downloading from the ASPAN website **beginning April 1, 2022, through July 9, 2022**. 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.)

The ASPAN Shoppe: 2022

Get ready to shop! For your conference shopping convenience, *The ASPAN Shoppe* is open Thursday through Sunday. Hours are posted at the Shoppe. Treat yourself, and the folks at home, to an ASPAN souvenir.

Special Conference Events

ASPAN Development Dream Walk

Grab your sneakers! Participate in the annual walk to raise funds for the activities of ASPAN Development. Take a walk from the hotel around many of the historical sights in Philadelphia. Come back refreshed for the day!
Thursday, April 7, at 6:30 am.

CPAN®/CAPA® Celebration Luncheon

Honor yourself! Be recognized along with other CPAN and CAPA certified nurses at a Celebration Luncheon on **Friday, April 8** at 12:15 pm. Come see world-renowned illusionist and storyteller Harris III. **Tickets must be purchased in advance.**

Support ASPAN's Exhibitors

A ribbon-cutting ceremony marks the opening of the ASPAN Exhibit Hall on **Friday, April 8** from 6:00 pm to

8:00 pm. See your pocket guide for additional exhibit hours on Saturday and Sunday. *Visit the exhibits often and express your thanks to them for supporting ASPAN!*

ASPAN Development Silent Auction

While in the Exhibit Hall, visit the Silent Auction. See the many treasures. Bid high, bid often! Funds go to ASPAN Development activities.

If you would like to donate an item to the Silent Auction, please bring it to the Registration Desk prior to the opening of the Silent Auction.

ASPAN Development Breakfast

Begin Sunday morning by supporting ASPAN, earning .75 contact hour, honoring your friends and colleagues, and enjoying breakfast. **Sunday, April 10**, from 6:30 am to 8:30 am. We are pleased to have ASPAN Past President Denise O'Brien, DNP, RN, ACNS-BC, CPAN, CAPA, FAAN, FCNS, FASPAN, as our guest speaker. Come, hear her speak on *Leaving a Legacy of Caring – What Will Be Your Legacy?* This is always a popular and sold-out event. **Tickets must be purchased in advance.**

President's Dinner and Celebration!

All full conference and Sunday daily attendees are invited to celebrate ASPAN's year of achievements with **President Jennifer Kilgore** and ASPAN leaders. Come for a sit-down dinner, music, and dancing, dressed in your favorite party attire! **Sunday, April 10**, from 7:00 pm to 10:00 pm. **Ticket is required to attend.**

Postconference Workshop

Stay on Monday for more contact hours! Spend **Monday, April 11**, with Nancy Strzyzewski, MSN, RN, CPAN, CAPA, as she presents *Contemporary Perianesthesia Care* from 8:00 am to 5:45 pm. **Preregistration with an additional fee is required.**

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***Rooms may change. Please check your 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 10:00 am to be included in the NEXT day's newsletter. May be edited for space.**