



National PARTiCUIArS

The official newsletter of the ASPAN National Conference

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

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
- Elfreth's Alley

Travel a little further, and visit:

- Valley Forge, a short distance away
- New York City (1.5 hours)
- Baltimore/Washington, D.C. (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, including many food vendors with special Philly culinary treats. Nearby, fine cuisine establishments to historic taverns will satisfy every palate. Sports, theater, and music events may round out your itinerary.

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Read ***National PARTiCUIArS*** every day for updated news and conference information. ***PARTiCUIArS*** will be **emailed** daily to all registered attendees for the next day.

Preconference Education

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 required.**

Representative Assembly

ASPAN's 25th Representative Assembly (RA) convenes **today, Thursday, April 7** from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm. The RA, facilitated by President Jennifer Kilgore, BSN, RN, CPAN, will meet for informal hearings during the morning to discuss questions, issues, and topics related to perianesthesia issues and where ASPAN is today. The candidates for national offices on the Board of Directors will make their presentations from 9:00 - 10:15 am. The formal session of the RA begins at 2:15 pm. Come observe your ASPAN leaders at work!

Host/Hostess Orientation

- **Thursday, April 7**, from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

First Timer's Orientation

Get all you can out of this experience!

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

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Conference Handouts

Outlines are available for downloading from the ASPAN website **April 1, 2022, through July 9, 2022**. Your conference confirmation letter provides the link to access syllabus material.

The ASPAN Shoppe: 2022

Get ready to shop! The *ASPAN Shoppe* is open Thursday through Sunday. Treat yourself, and the folks at home, to an ASPAN publication or souvenir.

ASPAN Development Dream Treasure Hunt

Participate in the annual walk today to raise funds for ASPAN Development! This year's event is a treasure hunt where members are given clues to different locations within the facility that ultimately lead to a small treasure/gift. Starts at the Conference Registration desk. **Today, Thursday, April 7 at 6:30 am. Additional fee.**

CPAN®/CAPA® Celebration Luncheon

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 6-8 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 and the wonderful 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 on Friday evening.

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 - 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. 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 to 10:00 pm. **Ticket is required to attend.**

Postconference Workshop

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.**

Component Corner

FLASPAN: Meet & Greet **Thursday, April 7th** at 7 pm. Circ bar at the Marriott.

REGION 3: Meet & Greet for all members of ILS PAN, INSPAN, KSPAN, MAPAN, MNDKSPAN, OPANA, WVSPAN, WISPAN. **Thursday, April 7** at 7 pm. Marriott, room TBA.

REGION 1: Meet & Greet **Friday, April 8**, 6-8 pm in Salon 1. All members of PANAC, NPANA, NevPANA, AzPANA, RMPANA, PANANM, US PAN and HIPAN are invited to meet and enjoy hors d'oeuvres.

PAPAN: Get-together at Iron Hill Brewery and Restaurant. **Friday, April 8**, 4-6 pm. 1150 Market Street. Pay for own dining.

WISPAN: Meet **Saturday, April 9** at 6:30 pm at Iron Hill Brewery and Restaurant 1150 Market Street. RSVP here: <https://forms.office.com/r/QVk2rDhYDC>

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News Items for *National PartICUIArS*

Please bring news items to the marked box at the ASPAN Registration Desk, or email 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.**