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### 7:30 AM – 4:30 PM
**Leadership Institute**<br>(Chapter Presidents and Vice Presidents)<br>Sponsored by: Amgen and Hologic<br>Non-CE Session

### 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM
**Mentoring in the Moment**<br>NBNA Buddy Café<br>Registration<br>Grand Ballroom Foyer, Second Floor

### 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
**Speaker Ready Room**<br>Room 205, Second Floor<br>Non-CE Session

### 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
**ELNEC the New Curriculum on Communication**<br>Sponsored by: VITAS Healthcare<br>Breakfast and Lunch will be served, Space is Limited<br>CEs provided by VITAS Healthcare

### 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
**American Red Cross Workshop**<br>Nurses Addressing Health Equity with the American Red Cross: Updates and Practice<br>In Partnership with: The American Red Cross

### 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
**American Red Cross Blood Drive**<br>**All are welcome!**<br>Rooms 212 – 213, Second Floor<br>**In Partnership with: The Atlanta American Red Cross**

### 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM
**Strategies to Promote the Success of Nursing Students**<br>Room 301, Third Floor<br>CE Session

### 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM
**Innovations to Develop Diversity in the Nursing Workforce**<br>Room 303, Third Floor<br>CE Session
**12:30PM - 6:30 PM**

**NBNA and J&J Leadership Program**

*Funded by: Johnson & Johnson Center for Health Worker Innovation*

Rooms 311 & 312, Third Floor

Invitation Only

**2:00 PM - 4:00 PM**

**Seizure Recognition and First Aid Certification**  
**Stay.Safe.Side: Promoting Seizure First Aid Among Public Health Professionals**

*Sponsored by: The Epilepsy Foundation*

Room 314, Third Floor  

CE Session

**2:00 PM - 4:00 PM**

**Model for Healing and Change “Reckoning with Racism in Nursing”**

Room 313, Third Floor  

CE Program

**3:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

**NBNA Conference Buddy Meet-UP & Networking Mentoring in the Moment (MIM)**

Rooms 208 – 210, Second Floor  

*Sponsored by: Encompass Health and GEHA*

**3:30 PM - 5:30PM**

**Credentialling**

Rooms 304 – 305, Third Floor

**4:00 PM - 5:00 PM**

**New Members Orientation**

Rooms 309 – 310, Third Floor

**4:00 PM - 6:00 PM**

**Chapter Development**

Room 315, Third Floor

**6:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

**NBNA Movie Night A Shot in the Arm**

Salon West, Lobby Level  

Dinner boxes will be offered. / Registration Required  

*Sponsored by: Novavax, Inc.*

**7:00 PM - 11:00 PM**

**NBNA Under 40 Forum**

Trader Vic’s  

Lower Level of the Hotel  

*Sponsored by: VITAS Healthcare*

Non-CE Session

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**THURSDAY, AUGUST 3**

**6:00 AM - 7:00 AM**

**Morning Hustle**

Crystal Ballroom

**6:30 AM - 7:45 AM**

**CEU Breakfast Session**

Plated Breakfast  

Salon East, Second Floor  

*Sponsored by: GSK*

Non-CE Session

**6:30 AM - 7:45 AM**

**CEU Breakfast Session**

Plated Breakfast  

Salon West, Second Floor  

*Sponsored by: Leukemia and Lymphoma Society*

Non-CE Session

**7:30 AM - 5:00 PM**

**NBNA Office**

Room 203, Second Floor

**7:30 AM - 5:00 PM**

**NBNA Registration Office**

Room 201, Lobby Level

**7:30 AM - 5:00 PM**

**NBNA Registration**

Grand Ballroom Foyer, Second Floor

**7:30 AM - 8:30 AM**

**Continental Breakfast**

Grand Ballroom Foyer, Second Floor

**7:30 AM - 10:00 AM**

**NBNA Business Meeting / Chartering of New Chapters**

Grand Ballroom, Second Floor

*Members Only. Delegates, make sure you are wearing your Delegate Ribbon and have your assigned number sheet with you.*

**8:00 AM - 5:00 PM**

**Speaker Ready Room**

Room 205, Second Floor

**10:30 AM - 12:30 PM**

**Plenary Session I**

Grand Ballroom, Second Floor

CE Session  

*Sponsored by: Duke University School of Nursing, MetroHealth System, Stanford Health Care*
1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
NBNA Poster Session
Galleria, Lower Level

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM
NBNA Nursing Innovation Theater
Exhibit Hall, Galleria Lower Level
Sponsored by: Aurinia Pharmaceuticals
Non-CE Session

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Exhibit Hall Grand Opening
Galleria, Lower Level

2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
NBNA Nursing Innovation Theater
So, You Want to be a FAAN!
Room 212, Second Floor

2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
NBNA Nursing Innovation Theater
LPN/LVN Forum
Room 214, Second Floor
Sponsored by: Herzing University

2:30 PM – 3:30 PM
NBNA Nursing Innovation Theater
Sponsored by: Moderna
Non-CE Session

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM
Plenary Session II
Grand Ballroom, Lobby Level
Sponsored by: Pfizer, Inc.
Non-CE Session

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM
NBNA Choir Rehearsal
Room 306, Third Floor

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
NBNA Chapter Line-up
Salon West, Second Floor

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Opening Ceremony
Grand Ballroom, Second Floor

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4

RED DRESS DAY!

6:00 AM – 7:00 AM
Morning Strength
Crystal Ballroom

6:30 AM – 7:45 AM
Breakfast Session
Plated Breakfast
Salon West, Second Floor
Sponsored by: Movement is Life
CE Presentation

6:30 AM – 7:45 AM
CEU Breakfast Session
Plated Breakfast
Salon, East First Floor
Sponsored by: Abbott Nutrition
Non-CE Session

7:30 AM – 4:00 PM
NBNA Summer Youth Enrichment Institute
Continental Breakfast
Room 309 – 310 Third Floor
Sponsored by: Google, Atlanta Headquarters

8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
NBNA Conference Registration
Second Floor Foyer

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
NBNA Office
Room 203, Second Floor

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Speaker Ready Room
Room 205, Second Floor

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
NBNA Student Connect Forum: National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) Workshop
Continental Breakfast
Non-licensed Students Only
Rooms 301 – 303, Third Floor

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
INSTITUTES

11:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Exhibit Hall Open
and Career Fair
Galleria, Lower Level

Enjoy your evening!
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM
NBNA Nursing Innovation Theater
Galleria, Lower Level
Sponsored by: Pfizer, Inc.
Non-CE Session

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM
NBNA Luncheon
International North, Second Floor
Sponsored by: Gilead Sciences
Non-CE Session

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
POSTER SESSION
Galleria, Lower Level

2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Career Fair
Exhibit Hall
Salon C, Lower Level

2:30 PM – 3:30 PM
NBNA Nursing Innovation Theater
Galleria, Lower Level
Sponsored by: Janssen Pharmaceutical, Inc.
Non-CE Session

2:30 PM – 3:30 PM
Veterans Nearing the End of Life – Distinct Needs and Specialized Care
Room 207, Second Floor
Sponsored by: VITAS Healthcare

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM
Plenary Session, III
Salon West, Second Floor

Identifying and Addressing Disparities in Heart Health and Mental Health
Sponsored by: CVShHealth
Non-CE Session

4:30 PM – 6:30 PM
NBNA Choir Rehearsal
Room 306, Lobby Level

8:00 PM – 11:00 PM
Denim & Diamonds
Doors Open at 7:30 pm
Salon East, Second Floor
Sponsored by: Wellstar Health

SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6
6:00 AM – 4:00 PM
NBNA Registration Office
Room 201, Second Floor

8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
NBNA Office
Room 203, Second Floor

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
WOKSHOPS
Room 208, Second Floor

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
IDENTIFYING AND ADDRESSING THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH
Room 214, Second Floor

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
INNOVATIONS IN DEVELOPING A MULTI-GENERATIONAL WORKFORCE
Room 311, Third Floor

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
POST COVID-19: THE IMPACT ON OUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM
Room 310, Third Floor

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT EQUALS HEALTH EQUITY
Room 212, Second Floor

Enjoy your evening!
Together we are making HIV prevention a priority for people wherever they are.

June Gipson, PhD, EdS
President & CEO, My Brother’s Keeper, Inc.
Gilead Grant Recipient

Get inspired by June’s story at GileadHIV.com

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Together we ignite change.
8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
THE POWER OF MENTORING TO CREATE WORKFORCE DIVERSITY IN A FUTURE NURSE LEADER
Room 213, Second Floor

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
THE ROLE OF NURSES IN PROMOTING POPULATION HEALTH
Room 209, Second Floor

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Exhibit Hall Open
Galleria, Lower Level

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM
Barbershop Health Talk
Rooms 304 – 305, Third Floor
Sponsored by:
New Orleans East Hospital, LCMC Health
Association of Organ Procurement Organizations (AOPO), LifeLink of Georgia
Life Center Cincinnati, Versiti, Donor Alliance, The Association for Multicultural Affairs in Transplantation (AMAT), Sierra Donor Services, Infinite Legacy, LifeSource, Live On NY, and The Decision Project

12:30 PM – 1:00 PM
Grand Raffle
Galleria, Lower Level

1:30 PM – 4:30 PM
NBNA Awards Ceremony
Salon West, Lobby Level

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM
NBNA Choir Rehearsal
Room 306 Third Floor

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Lifetime Member Photo
Salon West, Second Floor

7:00 PM – 11:00 PM
President’s Gala
Grand Ballroom, Second Floor

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

7:30 AM – 9:30 AM
Ecumenical Service
Salon, Second Floor

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Brunch and Closing Session
Grand Ballroom, Second Floor

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM
Post Conference Board of Directors Meeting
Crystal Ballroom, C & D, Lobby Level

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❤️ Partner with your local organ procurement organization (OPO) to ensure outreach for your region speaks to your communities.

Scan the QR Code to find the OPO for your area!

Let’s unite to make a difference, empower our Black community, and address health disparities in organ donation and transplantation!
2023 NBNA CHAPTERS BY STATE

**ALABAMA**
Birmingham Black Nurses Association
Montgomery Black Nurses Association
Tuskegee/East Alabama National Black Nurses Association
West Alabama Chapter of the National Black Nurses Association

**ARIZONA**
Black Nurses Association Greater Phoenix Area

**ARKANSAS**
Little Rock Black Nurses Association of Arkansas

**CALIFORNIA**
Bay Area Black Nurses Association
Capitol City Black Nurses Association
Central Valley Black Nurses Association
Council of Black Nurses, Los Angeles
Greater Inland Empire Black Nurses Association
San Diego Black Nurses Association
Stanford Medicine National Black Nurses Association

**CONNECTICUT**
Northern Connecticut Black Nurses Association
Southern Connecticut Black Nurses Association

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**
Black Nurses Association of Greater Washington, DC Area

**FLORIDA**
Big Bend Black Nurses Association (Tallahassee)
Black Nurses Association, Tampa Bay
Central Florida Black Nurses Association of Orlando
First Coast Black Nurses Association (Jacksonville)
Greater Fort Lauderdale Broward Chapter of the National Black Nurses Association
Greater Gainesville Black Nurses Association
Miami Chapter - Black Nurses Association
Palm Beach County Black Nurses Association
St. Petersburg Black Nurses Association
Treasure Coast Council of Black Nurses
Volusia Flagler Chapter of the National Black Nurses Association

**GEORGIA**
Atlanta Black Nurses Association
Columbus Metro Black Nurses Association
Concerned National Black Nurses of Central Savannah River Area
Middle Georgia Black Nurses Association
Okefenokee Black Nurses Association
Savannah Black Nurses Association

**HAWAII**
Honolulu Black Nurses Association

**ILLINOIS**
Alliance of Black Nurses Association of Illinois
Black Nurses Association of Central Illinois
Chicago Chapter National Black Nurses Association
Greater Illinois Black Nurses Association
Illinois South Suburban National Black Nurses Association
North Shore Black Nurses Association

**INDIANA**
Black Nurses Association of Indianapolis
Lake County Indiana Black Nurses Association
Northwest Indiana Black Nurses Association

**KANSAS**
Wichita Black Nurses Association

**KENTUCKY**
KYANNA Black Nurses Association
Lexington Chapter of the National Black Nurses Association

**LOUISIANA**
Acadiana Black Nurses Association
Bayou Region Black Nurses Association
New Orleans Black Nurses Association
Shreveport Black Nurses Association
Southeastern Louisiana Black Nurses Association

**MARYLAND**
Black Nurses Association of Baltimore
Black Nurses Association of Maryland Eastern Shore*
Black Nurses of Southern Maryland
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## 2023 NBNA Chapters by State

### Massachusetts
- New England Regional Black Nurses Association
- Western Massachusetts Black Nurses Association

**Michigan**
- Ann Arbor National Black Nurses Association
- Detroit Black Nurses Association
- Grand Rapids Black Nurses Association
- Greater Flint Black Nurses Association
- Kalamazoo-Muskegon Black Nurses Association
- Lansing Area Black Nurses Association
- Southwest Michigan Black Nurses Association

### Minnesota
- Minnesota Black Nurses Association

**Missouri**
- Black Nurses Association of Greater St. Louis
- Greater Kansas City Black Nurses Association
- Mid-Missouri Black Nurses Association

### Nevada
- Southern Nevada Black Nurses Association

### New Jersey
- Concerned Black Nurses of Central New Jersey
- Concerned Black Nurses of Newark
- Mid State Black Nurses Association of New Jersey
- Middlesex Regional Black Nurses Association
- New Jersey Integrated Black Nurses Association
- South Jersey Chapter National Black Nurses Association

**New York**
- Greater New York City Black Nurses Association
- Hudson Valley New York Black Nurses Association*
  - New York Black Nurses Association
  - Rochester Black Nurses Association
  - Suffolk County Black Nurses Association

### North Carolina
- Central Carolina Black Nurses Council
- Piedmont Black Nurses Association - Charlotte
- Queen City National Black Nurses Association

### Ohio
- Akron Black Nurses Association
- Black Nurses Association of Greater Cincinnati
- Central Ohio Black Nurses Association
- Cleveland Council of Black Nurses
- Columbus Black Nurses Association
- Stark County Black Nurses Association
- Youngstown-Warren Black Nurses Association

### Oklahoma
- Eastern Oklahoma Black Nurses Association
- Oklahoma City Black Nurses Association

**Oregon**
- Alliance of Black Nurses Association of Oregon

**Pennsylvania**
- Pittsburgh Black Nurses In Action
- Southeastern Pennsylvania Area Black Nurses Association

**South Carolina**
- Midlands of South Carolina Black Nurses Association
- Tri-County Black Nurses Association of Charleston

**Tennessee**
- Chattanooga Black Nurse Association
- Memphis-Riverbluff Black Nurses Association
- Nashville Black Nurses Association

**Texas**
- Black Nurses Association of Austin
- Black Nurses Association of Greater Houston
- Central Texas Black Nurses Association
- Fort Bend County Black Nurses Association
- Galveston County Gulf Coast Black Nurses Association
- Greater East Texas Black Nurses Association
- Metroplex Black Nurses Association (Dallas)
- Southeast Texas Black Nurses Association

**Virginia**
- Black Nurses Association of Charlottesville
- Central Virginia Chapter National Black Nurses Association
- National Black Nurses Association: Northern Virginia Chapter

**Wisconsin**
- Milwaukee Chapter National Black Nurses Association
- Racine-Kenosha Black Nurses Association

* New Chapter
GREETINGS AND SALUTATIONS FROM NBNA PRESIDENT

Martha A. Dawson, DNP, RN, FAAN, FACHE

A Walk in Our Shoes
The National Black Nurses Association’s Journey

DEAR COLLEAGUES, FRIENDS, corporate partners, family and future generations, I am blessed and grateful for the opportunity you afforded me to serve as the 13th president of the National Black Nurses Association (NBNA). In my final conference message as your president, I salute and honor you for 52 years of leadership in education, practice, research, service, advocacy, and most importantly, community and professional engagement. As I reflect on my 4-year journey, I am reminded that there is nothing new under the sun. Members of NBNA and the 12 presidents before me have proven this to be a true statement when it comes to lack of health equity, failure to diversify the nursing workforce, and excessive health care burden of minoritized populations. At NBNA’s first conference in 1973, President Dr. Lauranne Sams stated, “Today, there is an illusion that things are getting better for Black people and other minorities.” In 2019, this illusion was shattered by COVID-19 when the Black and Brown population was dying at much higher percentages than other groups in the United States. The health outcome for our population would have been more devastating if NBNA members had not stepped up as front-line heroes, sheroes, servants, and leaders. In reality, our illusion is our lived experiences of the social, political, educational, and financial determinants of health. When I developed the five pillars that I hoped would define my presidency, advocacy and service were at the top. The time is now to ensure that every person has the right to a healthy start, a safe living environment, and a peaceful transition. To address these issues NBNA members and leaders are at the table convening coalitions, building partnerships, and serving on boards and work groups.

Workforce Expansion and Growing our Own was another targeted goal over the last 4 years that was not new. NBNA 2nd president, Carrie F. Rogers, provided testimony in 1979 on the negative impact that discontinuing the Nursing Training Act would have on educating Black nurses and nursing programs at our historically black colleges and universities that prepared the largest number of Black nurses at the time. Nurses are still advocating in 2023 to protect and expand this act. NBNA must become the difference and the voice to promote real growth in the number of African American (AA) nurses at all levels in practice, education, and research; no apologies, but 7.9% - 8.5% of Black registered nurses in the US is not good enough. NBNA needs to lead this charge and call to action for every member to recruit a new AA person into the profession every year. Will you take the pledge and follow through? The NBNA “Recruit One-Nurse-a-Year” program was introduced in 2023 at our 35th Day on Capitol Hill in Washington, DC. Our growth is about reaching back, mentoring, sponsoring, and bringing others into the profession. The NBNA Mini Nurse Academy was funded in 2020 and delayed due to COVID-19. During the 2022-2023 school year, 178 diverse students in grades 3-6 graduated from this program in eight different states. This program funding will reach over $600,000 by December
2023. I share a quote from our third NBNA president, E. Lorraine Baugh “…stand tall and be proud of the role Black nurses played and are playing in shaping the nursing profession in the US and the world.” Thanks to our partners, NBNA is growing larger and stronger every day. From 2020 -2023, our members, families, friends and corporate partners gave $806,000 in scholarships to diversify and expand the nursing workforce. “Money talks;” at NBNA “Money educates.”

In April 1984, NBNA President Ophelia Long wrote, “As leaders we must pay attention to the morale and satisfaction of our members.” I read this statement in 2023. In 2019, under the Membership Support and Engagement pillar, I wrote “Members are the trademark and backbone of our association; and their engagement is needed at the local, state, region, national, and international levels; our sphere of influence must become global. No members—no NBNA; few members—small impact; more members—more voices and greater impact.” I did not meet my goal of making NBNA a household name because in 2023, I met two nurses living in Cleveland, Ohio who had not heard of the National Black Nurses Association; one of them joined immediately after our encounter. President Long moved NBNA's national office from Boston to Washington, DC, positioning us to influence policy and expand our advocacy.

Our 5th president, Dr. C. Alicia Georges, sealed our presence in Washington, DC by establishing the National Black Nurses’ Day on Capitol Hill. In 2023 we celebrated 35 years on the Hill. During the second NBNA Day on Capitol Hill, President Georges announced an aggressive campaign to recruit and retain Black men and women into nursing. She noted that, “The total number of nurses in the U.S. has remained stable at two million; the percentage of Black registered nurses has decreased from 4.5% to 3.6%.” I remember as a young chief nursing officer attending the Workforce Summit that President Georges and our 6th president, Dr. Linda Burnes Bolton, held in New York addressing the issue of increasing the pipeline for AA nurses. Diversity, Inclusivity and Equity (DIE) Pillar- Create the case that these concepts must become interconnected. DIE can only exist in an authentic environment that supports social justice and civility, and the appreciation of individual differences. Dr. Burnes Bolton served as the vice chair of the study that led to the Future of Nursing (FON) 2010 Report. The FON 2020 Report mentioned racism 191 times and helped to create a new movement in addressing not just diversity, but racism, in the nursing profession. I and many of your NBNA colleagues have served, and are serving, on the National Commission Addressing Racism in Nursing. NBNA 6th president and one of our founders, Dr. Betty Smith-Williams, stated, “My vision for the near future is that NBNA will substantially enlarge its membership, opening our arms to the multitude of unorganized Black nurses.” Dr. Smith Williams participated in the first White House Conference on Mental Health on June 7, 1999 with President Bill Clinton and his advisor, Mrs. Tipper Gore. Today, the U.S. is in a post-COVID mental health crisis.

Leadership and Succession Planning pillar is a transparent, innovative, deliberative, and focused initiative to develop leaders across the span of the profession. Leadership is about influence and setting a pattern. NBNA 7th president, Dr. Hilda Richards, held the NBNA Southeastern Regional Education Symposium in Birmingham, AL and started the NBNA peer-reviewed journal. Our 8th president, Dr. Bettye Davis Lewis, highlighted in 2005 health equities and disparities from Hurricane Katrina and the subsequent increased cost in rent and housing, the same as post-COVID. Our 10th president, Dr. Debra Toney, continued to move NBNA into the future by addressing operational issues, automating our election process, growing our leaders with a focus on the Under 40 nurses,
and starting the NBNA Youth Institute. NBNA's 11th president, Dr. Deidre Walton, served NBNA during the time the U.S. elected its first Black president, Barack Obama, and with Dr. (Hon) Millicent Gorham, previous executive director, organized a White House Briefing with the 18th U.S. Surgeon General Dr. Regina Benjamin. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Dr. Benjamin stated “Those Black nurses are everywhere.” Our 12th and Immediate past president, Dr. Eric J. Williams, came to NBNA as a student and has actively recruited men into nursing, writing articles on the subject, and appearing on the cover of NBNA News Summer 2003 issue. Dr. Williams started the Friends of NBNA, the Collaborative Mentorship Program, and the Men’s Bowtie Breakfast that has grown larger each year it is held at our annual conference.

Finally, my colleagues, partners and the leaders’ shoulders that I have stood upon, I promised to lead with integrity because I clearly understood that there is a way to do the right thing right and the right thing wrong, and wrong by any method is unjust. There have been a lot of changes, internal and external, to our organization. Some are good and some are questionable. Our history and our freedom are under attack. The more things change, the more some individuals work to keep things the same. Dr. Sams stated “Our most urgent task is unity, for we must be about the business of nation building. We will deliver that which we are capable of responsibly and with accountability to each other and to all Black people. To do this will require militancy and revolution; that is what change is all about. Let us not be intimidated by those who seek to misinterpret our goal or to misrepresent our purposes if we are clear and strong in our direction.”

My colleagues, friends and partners, I pass the president’s seat on to another; but not my love, commitment and not my work, for there is still much to do. Thank you all for trusting and working with me.

With Motherly and Fatherly Love, and forever your servant,

Dr. Martha A. Dawson

NBNA 13th President
GREETINGS FROM NBNA NATIONAL CONFERENCE CHAIR

Eric J. Williams, DNP, RN, CNE, ANEF, FAAN

Dear NBNA Members, Friends and Distinguished Guests,

IT IS WITH PLEASURE that I welcome you to the 51st Annual Institute and Conference of the National Black Nurses Association. It is my desire that each of you have a great time, learn and establish new friends and colleagues. This year’s institute and conference features stellar evidenced based plenary sessions and workshops that are second to none. Each participant will leave sessions with state-of-the-art knowledge and skills on information regarding practice, service and research to further ignite your professional passion for nursing. You will be dazzled by the subject content experts and networking opportunities for further professional growth and development. The wealth of information will springboard your educational experiences to the next level. We invite you to attend as many activities as you can as well as explore Atlanta with family and friends.

On behalf of the National Conference Committee, I want to share a BIG THANK YOU to the Atlanta BNA led by Mrs. Lori Reed as local chair and the NBNA office staff led by Ms. Dianne Mance for your exemplary work to make this conference successful. Once again, each of you each have demonstrated the drive and resiliency that depict NBNA as a professional organization. To our conference attendees and members, YOU are NBNA and make a difference each day of the year.

As I close, it has been a pleasure to serve NBNA in many capacities over the years. As the Immediate Past President and Conference Chair, I would like to say to my mentors, coaches, and friends, past presidents and the NBNA Board of Directors, THANK YOU. With deep appreciation, I am very grateful to many chapter presidents, members and other NBNA leaders for my enriched time on the board and tenure in NBNA.

Now enjoy the conference and best wishes for the best time ever in Atlanta, Georgia.

Peace and Love

Eric J. Williams

Immediate Past President

National Conference Chair
IN PREPARING MY MESSAGE for the 2023 NBNA 51st Annual Institute & Conference, I reflected on the excellent presidents, board members and other nurse leaders who have led our organization in becoming the dynamic nursing organization that it is today. NBNA leaders have generously given their time, talents, and resources to help ensure that our members are well poised and positioned to advance the profession, achieve health equity, and advocate on behalf of those they serve. NBNA President Martha Dawson is no exception. From leading during times of the COVID pandemic to preparing the next generation of nurse leaders, Dr. Dawson has been at the forefront, working tirelessly to ensure that NBNA is on good footing for now and well into the future. I have had the privilege of working alongside her to ensure just that!

I would like to thank the national office staff. “Teamwork makes the dream work”! To Estella Lazenby, Membership Services Manager; Tracy Rudd, Administrative Assistant; Keisha Ricks, Communication and Marketing Manager; and Keaonia Shaw, Conference Assistant; I am glad you are on the NBNA team. You are the best!

A huge thank you to Atlanta Black Nurses Association President Arkeelaua Henderson; Laurie Reid, Local Conference Chair; and all of the members of the Atlanta Black Nurses Association. You have made the 51st NBNA Annual Institute and Conference an exciting reunion!

NBNA Immediate Past President, Dr. Eric Williams, and the entire national conference committee, thank you for all you do behind the glare of the spotlights! To our partners, vendors, and volunteers —none of this would be possible without you! Thank you for sharing your vision, mission, talents, and commitment year after year.

To the members of NBNA, you are an amazing group of men and women who continue to serve your communities and our country in so many ways. You have my deepest respect.

Finally, to Dr. Martha A. Dawson: Maya Angelou said it best; you are a “Phenomenal Woman”!

My Warmest Regards,

Dianne M. Mance

Operation Manager and Conference Services Manager
**PHENOMENAL WOMAN**

*By Maya Angelou*

Pretty women wonder where my secret lies.
I’m not cute or built to suit a fashion model’s size
But when I start to tell them,
They think I’m telling lies.
I say,
It’s in the reach of my arms,
The span of my hips,
The stride of my step,
The curl of my lips.
I’m a woman Phenomenally.
Phenomenal woman, That’s me.

I walk into a room
Just as cool as you please,
And to a man,
The fellows stand or
Fall down on their knees.
Then they swarm around me,
A hive of honey bees.
I say,
It’s the fire in my eyes,
And the flash of my teeth,
The swing in my waist,
And the joy in my feet.
I’m a woman Phenomenally.

Phenomenal woman, That’s me.

Men themselves have wondered
What they see in me.
They try so much
But they can’t touch
My inner mystery.
When I try to show them,
They say they still can’t see.
I say,
It’s in the arch of my back,
The sun of my smile,
The ride of my breasts,
The grace of my style.
I’m a woman Phenomenally.
Phenomenal woman, That’s me.

Now you understand
Just why my head’s not bowed.
I don’t shout or jump about
Or have to talk real loud.
When you see me passing,
It ought to make you proud.
I say,
It’s in the click of my heels,
The bend of my hair,
The palm of my hand,
The need for my care.
’Cause I’m a woman Phenomenally.
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Optum is proud to attend the 51st NBNA Annual Institute and Conference. Visit us in booth #117 / 123 from August 1-6, 2023 at the Hilton Atlanta. Stop by and enter our raffle for a chance to win a $250 Amazon gift card. We look forward to seeing you.
TRIBUTE TO THE FIRST EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, NATIONAL BLACK NURSES ASSOCIATION, INC.

Sadako Holmes, RN, MPH

Sadako Holmes, RN, MPH, a native of Boston, served as the National Black Nurses Association’s (NBNA) first executive director. She was a member of the New England Regional Black Nurses Association, Inc. During Ms. Ophelia Long’s first year as NBNA president, she hired Ms. Holmes. The relocation of NBNA’s national office to Washington, DC and the hiring of a full-time executive director sent a clear message that NBNA was a professional organization that was “here to stay.” Ms. Holmes’ presence aided in NBNA’s progression into the national political and public policy arena.

Working with NBNA leaders, Ms. Holmes managed the organization’s growth from nine to 29 chapters. One of her goals was to encourage participation among established and new chapters by designing annual conferences in a variety of locations and drawing in important keynote speakers to boost attendance. Some members may recall the signature conference in Little Rock, Arkansas where Governor (future US President) Bill Clinton was the keynote speaker. Ms. Holmes also targeted emerging issues in nursing at these conferences such as wellness, exercise, and key international public health issues. Ms. Holmes was the executive director when NBNA held its annual conference in Nassau, Bahamas and awarded recognition to former Kenyan President, Mwai Kibaki.

Ms. Holmes, along with Dr. C. Alicia Georges, Ms. Ophelia Long, Dr. Hilda Richards, and Dr. Linda Burnes Bolton, was one of the founders of the National Black Nurses Foundation, Inc., a non-profit charitable corporation.

Mrs. Holmes was very active in her church, the Washington National Cathedral in Washington, DC, where she served as an usher. One Sunday as she assisted worshippers, Mrs. Holmes noticed a young gentleman, asked about the law profession, and inquired about the nature of his law practice. He replied, “What type of lawyer do you and your friends need?” Ms. Holmes stated that she was seeking someone to review a contract. Through divine intervention and a constant desire to serve NBNA, she recruited Attorney Derrick A. Humphries, ESQ, and he became NBNA’s legal counsel. Ms. Holmes had a gift for professional networking, internal and external to the nursing profession.

A centenarian, Ms. Holmes enjoyed a long life, living to see NBNA grow to 113 chapters in 33 states and the District of Columbia. NBNA members are honored to celebrate her life at our 51st Annual Institute and Conference, August 2-6, 2023, in Atlanta, Georgia.

Dr. Martha A. Dawson, DNP, RN, FAAN, FACHE

13th President of the National Black Nurses Association
GREETINGS FROM ATLANTA NBNA CHAPTER PRESIDENT

Arkeelaua L. Henderson MSN BSN ACRN AMB-BC

NBNA Members, Colleagues, Family and Friends,

I HAVE ONE QUESTION for you while using words from our state song. “Is Georgia on your mind?” Well, I sure hope so, as I welcome you to the 51st NBNA Annual Institute and Conference entitled, “NBNA Fifty Years and Beyond: Leading the way in Innovation, Built Environments, Advocacy, Mentorship, and Community Engagement.” I am so honored to be part of the NBNA chapter that was chosen to host this year’s conference.

On behalf of the Atlanta Black Nurses Association, I want to extend a warm welcome to our National President Dr. Martha Dawson, the National Board of Directors, and the entire NBNA membership. Atlanta is the home of so many great People, Landmarks, and “Hidden Gems.” Since 1978, it has been the home of the Atlanta Black Nurses Association, where we pride ourselves on “Magnifying Health Awareness” in the communities we serve.

Whether you decided to attend this year’s conference for the contact hours, networking, workshops or just to gain inspiration, we have something for you. A special thank you to the local conference chair Laurie C. Reid for her selfless act of commitment and dedication in helping to make this one of the best conferences NBNA has ever seen. I would also like to say thank you to all the subcommittee chairs for their hard work and dedication.

I just want to welcome each of you to the place that Grady Memorial Hospital resides. Welcome to the home of the Falcons, Braves, Dream, and Hawks. Welcome to the home of Tyler Perry Studios, the birthplace of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr, the CNN Center and Centennial Olympic Park. Welcome to the home of the Atlanta Black Nurses Association and the place I have called home since 2005. Welcome to Atlanta, Georgia!

Sincerely,

Arkeelaua L. Henderson

President, Atlanta Black Nurses Association, Inc
Colleagues, family members, friends, and supporters,

IT IS WITH A PROFOUND sense of gratitude and appreciation that you are fondly greeted! As local conference chair of the 51st Annual Institute and Conference, I am ‘peachy’ proud and delighted that you chose to travel to Atlanta and support the convention. Special thanks to our National Headquarters staff for their dedication and tireless efforts to make this conference a huge success. Kudos to the NBNA chapters in Georgia, Alabama, and Tennessee for their unwavering support.

The Atlanta Black Nurses Association extends a heartfelt thanks to Dr. Martha Dawson, National President, for her exemplary leadership during her unprecedented term in office. “Greatness is not measured by what a man or woman accomplishes, but by the opposition he or she has to overcome to reach her goals.” Inspiring, persevering, unwavering, and dedicated summarizes Dr. Dawson’s tenure and the National Black Nurses Association remains a formidable organization.

The Atlanta Black Nurses Association is very proud to serve as the host chapter in the city of our chartering over 45 years ago! NBNA last convened in Atlanta in 2015 and once again the members have worked hard to make this convention memorable and full of southern hospitality. Their energetic and enthusiastic contributions from the health fair to the closing gala are truly appreciated!

While here, experience the City’s diverse culture, historic landmarks, culinary delights, and art attractions. Set your sights on the beauty of our natural resources, where the Dogwoods and African Violets grow. Enjoy shopping at Atlanta Station or stroll down anyone of approximately 70 Streets named, ‘Peachtree!’ Take some time for self-care, networking, and learning!

Continue to be safe and enjoy the experience!

With sincere appreciation,

Laurie C. Reid, RN, MS
Local Conference Chair, 51st Annual Institute and Conference
August 1, 2023

Greetings:

As the 61st Mayor of Atlanta, I am honored to join The National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) in welcoming attendees to the 51st Annual NBNA Institute and Conference.

This year’s institute and conference theme is “Fifty Years and Beyond: Leading the Way in Innovation, Built Environments, Advocacy, Mentorship and Community Engagement.” The NBNA was founded in 1971 to advocate for Black nurses, focusing on professional development and educational opportunities. This organization represents over 308,000 professional nurses and nursing students, offering annual scholarships to students and hosting health education and screening events.

During the 51st Annual NBNA Institute and Conference, professional nurses, nursing students, and other healthcare professionals will experience networking opportunities, workshops, institutes, and exhibits that promote educational and professional advancement. The City of Atlanta welcomes those visiting our great city for this special occasion. Attendees are encouraged to enjoy Atlanta’s great restaurants and world-class attractions, including the National Center for Civil and Human Rights, the Georgia Aquarium, the World of Coca-Cola, the Atlanta Botanical Garden, and more.

Atlanta is proud to serve as the host city for this event. I salute the NBNA’s commitment to service and healthcare equity throughout the United States. On behalf of the people of Atlanta, I extend my best wishes for a memorable occasion.

Sincerely,

Mayor Andre Dickens
Greetings:

As the U.S. Representative for Georgia’s Thirteenth District, I am honored to extend my support to the National Black Nurses Association (NBNA). This year’s conference of informative workshops, institutes, exhibits, and networking opportunities will surely be memorable for those in attendance.

The NBNA’s work to build and support the next generation of nurses by offering annual scholarships to students and collaboration with other organizations in hosting health education and screening events is unparalleled. NBNA nurses are essential leaders in the work of reducing health disparities and advancing health equity outcomes. I have long admired the collaborative partnerships that NBNA undertakes with community-based organizations to help promote and provide health education and screenings to community residents.

It is no surprise that the NBNA represents over 308,000 African American registered nurses, licensed vocational/practical nurses, and nursing students from the USA, Eastern Caribbean and African countries, with 115 chartered chapters, representing 34 states. With over 50 years of experience advocating for Black nurses’ advancement through the promotion of continuing education programs and professional development, there is no better organization or conference to highlight the incredible work of Black nurses in America.

Wishing the NBNA much success! God Bless!

Sincerely,

David Scott

Member of Congress
May 19, 2023

Greetings,

I am honored to welcome The National Black Nurses Association to the 51st Annual NBNA Institute and Conference here in Atlanta. We are excited to serve as host city for your event. Your organization is comprised of true heroes who have always stood courageously on the front lines for its patients.

Your theme, “Fifty Years and Beyond: Leading the Way in Innovation, Built Environments, Advocacy, Mentorship and Community Engagement” is quite befitting as it speaks to the heart of true servant-style leadership.

As the City Council member representing District 10, I appreciate your sacrifice and commitment to fairness and equitable treatment for all. Enjoy your time in our beautiful city.

Warmest regards,

Andrea L. Boone
August 1, 2023

Greetings.

I am thrilled to welcome The National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) and its attendees to the 51st Annual NBNA Institute and Conference being held here, the city of Atlanta.

This year’s institute and conference theme is “Fifty Years and Beyond: Leading the Way in Innovation, Built Environments, Advocacy, Mentorship and Community Engagement.”

Atlanta is honored to serve as the hosting city for the 51st Annual NBNA Institute and Conference. As Councilmember Post 1 At-Large, I salute the NBNA’s commitment to service and healthcare equity throughout the United States. I extend my best wishes for an extraordinary experience.

Sincerely,

Michael Julian Bond
Councilmember, Post 1 At-Large
Atlanta City Council
Greetings,

I am honored and proud to welcome the National Black Nurses Association to the 51st Annual National Black Nurses Association Institute and Conference.

As this year’s theme is “Fifty Years and Beyond: Leading the Way in Innovation, Built Environments, Advocacy, Mentorship and Community Engagement”, I wholeheartedly support the mission and vision of the NBNA to promote growth and professional development among our healthcare professionals.

The annual conference cultivates an opportunity and space for attendees to obtain professional and educational knowledge, scholarship offerings and network support. On behalf of Council Member Overstreet’s office and the city of Atlanta, we are excited to host this exceptional event and are confident it will be a tremendous success!

Yours in Service,

Council member Marci Collier Overstreet
Dear Participants,

I am so delighted to extend a warm welcome to all attendees of the 51st Annual NBNA Institute and Conference. It is an honor to be part of this significant event, organized by The National Black Nurses Association (NBNA).

Under the theme "Fifty Years and Beyond: Leading the Way in Innovation, Built Environments, Advocacy, Mentorship, and Community Engagement," this institute and conference exemplify the NBNA’s commitment to advancing the interests of Black nurses. Since its establishment in 1971, the NBNA has been a driving force in promoting professional development and educational opportunities for Black nurses. With a membership that includes over 308,000 professional nurses and nursing students, the organization provides annual scholarships to students and hosts health education and screening events.

Throughout the conference, you will have the chance to engage in networking activities, attend enriching workshops, participate in educational institutes, and explore exhibits that foster educational and professional growth. Atlanta, with its vibrant culture and renowned attractions, eagerly awaits your arrival. I encourage you to indulge in the city's exceptional culinary scene and explore its world-class landmarks, such as the National Center for Civil and Human Rights, Georgia Aquarium, World of Coca-Cola, Atlanta Botanical Garden, and more.

As a proud host city, Atlanta takes immense pride in welcoming you. We commend the NBNA for its unwavering dedication to service and healthcare equity across the United States. On behalf of the Atlanta City Council and its constituents, I extend my heartfelt wishes for a successful and inspiring conference. May this event provide you with invaluable connections, knowledge, and lasting memories.

Once again, welcome to Atlanta, and may your time here be truly remarkable.

In Solidarity,

Councilmember Antonio Lewis
On behalf of the Atlanta City Council, I want to recognize and congratulate the National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) for commemorating its 51st Annual Institute and Conference in the City of Atlanta and the State of Georgia.

Due to the hard work and selfless dedication of the NBNA’s leadership and planning committee, this event has become one of the most unique training conferences in the nation-- which not only promotes unity and action-- but also brings forth positive change in quality of health care within the Black and Brown communities and in the status of Black nurses so they can collectively move into the mainstream of existing institutions and organizations to effectively influence the decisions-making process, where needed, to create new institutions to meet the growing healthcare needs of people of color.

The National Black Nurses Association annual conference is always a meaningful occasion to address the vast problems of Black health and to focus on the extended role of the Black nurse as it relates to nursing education and health care delivery.

Again, congratulations, and welcome to Atlanta. Best wishes for a great and successful conference!

Yours in Service,

Keisha Sean Waites
In Recognition of the National Black Nurses Association
In Honor of its 51st Annual Institute and Conference

WHEREAS, The Atlanta City Council is pleased to recognize the National Black Nurses Association organized in 1971 under the leadership of Dr. Lauranne Sams, former Dean and Professor of Nursing, School of Nursing, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, Alabama and,

WHEREAS, The National Black Nurses Association represents approximately 200,000 African American registered nurses, licensed vocational/practical nurses, nursing students and retired nurses from the USA, Eastern Caribbean, and African countries, with 111 chartered chapters, representing 34 states and,

WHEREAS, The National Black Nurses Association believes in collaborating with private and public agencies/organizations that share common concerns for improving the health status of all people, particularly African Americans and other minority consumers and,

WHEREAS, The National Black Nurses Association and their commitment to excellence in providing a forum for collective action by African American nurses to represent and provide a forum for Black nurses to advocate for and implement strategies to ensure access to the highest quality of health care for persons of color and,

WHEREAS, The National Black Nurses Association is committed to excellence in education and conducts continuing education programs for nurses and allied health professionals throughout the year. The association provides annual scholarships for student members and,

WHEREAS, The National Black Nurses Association convenes an Annual Institute and Conference in the summer of each year. The Annual Institute and Conference features the most prominent speakers in nursing and health care.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED THAT WE, the members of the Atlanta City Council, on behalf of the citizens of Atlanta, do hereby recognize the National Black Nurses Association, Inc., for their commitment to serve diverse populations in the United States of America.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE HAVE HEREUNTO SET OUR HANDS AND CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA TO BE AFFIXED

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Applications for 2024 cohort open Sept. 22

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Fellowship highlights
- Generous project funding — $450,000
- Funding for the fellow’s institution — $50,000
- Innovative leadership curriculum with support from mentors
- Annual weeklong convocation in Sacramento, California
- Monthly online meetings supporting professional growth

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VITAS® Healthcare and NBNA: Celebrating 20 Years of Milestones and Impactful Collaboration

As we celebrate 20 years of partnership between The National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) and VITAS® Healthcare, we are inspired by the countless lives touched, the strides made in nursing education, and the advocacy for quality end-of-life care. Here's to many more years of collaboration, growth, and achievements!

Step into the journey of a remarkable partnership between VITAS and NBNA:

**2003 – A Path Begins:** VITAS was honored with an invitation to speak at the NBNA 31st Annual Conference, marking the beginning of a transformative collaboration.

**2007 – Pioneering Education:** VITAS presented the first NBNA ELNEC (End-of-Life Nursing Education Consortium) training program at the annual NBNA Conference, equipping nurses with essential skills for compassionate end-of-life care.

**2007 – Supporting Nursing Students:** VITAS launched the Annual NBNA/Esther Colliflower End-of-Life Care Scholarship.

**2009 – Recognizing Excellence:** VITAS proudly recognized NBNA during Black History Month, acknowledging its invaluable impact in the nursing community and beyond.

**2012 – Nurturing Future Leaders:** VITAS became the sponsor and continues to sponsor the “Under 40 Forum,” fostering the development of young nursing professionals.

**2015 – United by Purpose:** NBNA chartered the first VITAS nursing chapter, the “Greater Fort Lauderdale Broward County Chapter (GFLBC),” marking a significant step in our shared commitment to excellence in nursing.

**2017 – Empowering Education:** For 10 years, VITAS provided over 20,000 continuing education (CE) credit hours to NBNA members at national conferences, state chapter meetings, and symposiums on end-of-life training, empowering nurses with knowledge and skills to deliver exceptional care.

**2017 – Advocating for Quality Care:** NBNA's “End of Life Care Resolution” was approved and passed by the members and the board, highlighting the importance of comprehensive end-of-life care for all individuals.

**2017 – Uniting for Change:** NBNA presented the “End of Life Care Resolution” to VITAS CEO Nick Westfall at the VITAS Headquarters in Miami, Florida, solidifying our commitment to advancing end-of-life care together.

**2018 – Making a Difference:** For the first time in NBNA's 48-year history, two non-nurses were inducted into the National Black Nurses Association as honorary members and one of the honorary members is a Vice President at VITAS Healthcare.

**2022 – Expanding Our Impact:** VITAS launched the national Goals of Care Preceptorship Program at the NBNA 50th Annual Conference, strengthening our collective mission to provide compassionate and culturally sensitive care to diverse communities.

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More Than $300,000 in Scholarships For NBNA Members

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Jaccqueyn Toliver  
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Joni Young  
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Wanda Brown  
Letwana Bryant  
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Glenda Clement  
Ervin Jean Coleman  
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Katrice Hester  
LaTonya Hines  
Delois Holloman  
Sadie Hughes  
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Gail Johnson  
Romona Johnson  
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Elirna King  
Gwen Mathis  
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Marion Miller  
Myrtle Morrow  
Peggy Pettit  
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Dr. Karen Rawls  
Venita Rawls  
Celeste Robinson  
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Robin Simmons  
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Richardenea Theodore  
Kellie Volcy  
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Tammy Welcome  
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Yumuriel Whitaker  
Stephanie Williams  
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Sharita Bowers  
Vicie Brooks  
Angela Brown  
Dr. Chris Bryant  
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Ardis Bush  
Dr. Wilma Calvert  
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Tamara Evans  
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Tisha Webster  
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Joy Anderson  
Sandra Baker  
Dr. Gaurdia Banister  
Terasa Banks  
Veronica W. Barrett  
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Marcia Brooks  
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Dr. Donna J. Calvin  
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Patricia Curry  
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Vergetta Harris
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Joan Hodges Hicks
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Margaret Banks
Desiree Banton
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Judith Brewster
Robin Bruce
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Sheree Criner
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Sabine Jules
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Patricia C. Lane
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Sharon R. Lewis
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Victoria Smith
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Latrese A. Taylor
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Dr. Evelyn Houston Bell
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Leontyne Daffin
Phyllis A. Drake
Helen Finley-Way
Barbara Fontenot
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Vivianne Griffiths
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Yvette Hall
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Carolyn Coleman  
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Dr. Kellie Bryant

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Sharon Callender  
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Ebene Jones  
Rose Jones  
Beverly R. Jordan  
Tamika Joseph  
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Sandra Mavin  
Vivienne McDaniel  
Juanita Merriweather  
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Tyshaneka Saffold  
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Karen Nelson, EMBA
Vice President of Inclusion and Community, Herzing University

Karen Nelson joined Herzing University as the Vice President of Inclusion and Community Impact in July 2022. She has worked in corporate, governmental, and consulting roles. She came to Herzing University after serving as the Inaugural Director of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion at Rogers Behavioral Health. Prior to Rogers, Ms. Nelson was the Diversity and Inclusion Leader for the City of Appleton reporting to the city’s mayor. She has helped large organizations like Shaw Industries and GE Medical Systems with their Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) strategies.

In 2017, Ms. Nelson was named one of Wisconsin’s Top 35 Black Leaders. She has contributed to writing publications in Appleton Monthly Magazine and is the author of the final chapter of Dr. Tana Session’s anthology Black Women: Corporate America’s Best Kept Secret. The secret is out! The book is a guide to unleash your superpower to succeed in business as your unapologetic, authentic self! In 2019 Ms. Nelson was appointed to the Wisconsin’s Governor’s State Council on Affirmative Action, working with Governor Tony Evers.

In her role with Herzing University, she works with senior leaders, board members and several committees to advance DEI efforts not only for HU, but the community at large. Ms. Nelson holds a bachelor’s degree in Chemistry from Bennett College, an HBCU, in Greensboro, NC and an Executive MBA from the Lubar School of Business at UW-Milwaukee.
MARY MAGEE GULLATTE, PhD, RN, ANP-BC, AOCN, LSSYB, FAAN is presently the Corporate Director of Nursing Evidence Based Practice and Research at EMORY Healthcare, in Atlanta. Her leadership in nursing spans over 44 years with extensive experience in Oncology Nursing, Administration & Leadership.

Dr. Gullatte is Adjunct Faculty at the Emory University Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing. She is also a USAF veteran. As a Nurse Practitioner, her focus is on Primary care of the adult population.

She served 7 years as Vice President of Patient Services and Chief Nursing Officer at Emory University Hospital Midtown, Atlanta, Georgia.

Mary is the past president of the National Oncology Nursing Society [ONS] from 2012 – 2014. She has presented at numerous national and international conferences representing 6 of the 7 continents: including, invited speaker and oncology nurse consultant in West Africa; Prague, Czech Republic, Germany, Norway, Australia, Brazil, Amsterdam, Turkey, Oman-UAE, Thailand, China, United Kingdom, Brussels, France, Philippines, and New Zealand.

Dr. Gullatte has contributed extensively to the body of published professional literature through articles and textbooks. Her recent books, 21st Century Nursing Leadership was awarded book of the Year in 2018 by the American Journal of Nursing. She is the lead editor of Chemotherapy Handbook currently 4th edition published in March 2020 by the Oncology Nursing Society.

Throughout her career, Dr. Gullatte has received awards from the Oncology Nursing Society, the Georgia Nurses Association, Chi Eta Phi Nursing Sorority, American Cancer Society, the Greater Atlanta Affiliate of Susan G. Komen, Atlanta Black Nurses Association, community service award from Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and the 2020 Distinguished Nurse of the Year from the Atlanta March Of Dimes. Dr. Gullatte is a member of Sigma Theta Tau and was inducted into the American Academy of Nursing in 2010 and elected for two terms on the Board 2018-2022. She currently participates as a member of the American Nurses Association’s Innovation program. She is also appointed to the ONS Leadership Development Board 2022-2025.

Dr. Gullatte served on the Joint Commission Nursing Advisory Board until 2019. She currently serves on the board of the Nursing Services Organization and Georgia Nurses Foundation Trustee. Led the GNA/GNF Task Force to develop a Policy Brief on Advancing Health Equity in Georgia; published Sept. 2022. Dr. Gullatte is the executive sponsor and founder of the Emory Nurse Health Policy, Legislative, and Advocacy Council. She enjoys mentoring, empowering, and inspiring current and future generations of nurses to aspire to and achieve greatness beyond what they have imagined. Her professional passion is transforming healthcare to prevent disease and improve patient and provider outcomes and wellbeing through research and Evidence based Practice.
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Betty J. Braxter, PhD, CNM, RN, FAAN

Dr. Betty J. Braxter is the associate dean of the undergraduate education program and associate professor at the University of Pittsburgh. She is the first Black faculty to serve in the role of associate dean at the University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing. Dr. Braxter holds a BSN from Louisiana State University Medical Center, a master’s in maternal child health from Texas Woman’s University, and a doctor of philosophy from the University of Pittsburgh. She was a member of one of the early cohorts of Black/African Americans certified by the American College of Nurse Midwives (ACNM). She received her midwifery training from the University of Mississippi Medical Center. Dr. Braxter served on the ACNM Anti-Racism in Midwifery Education Task Force and the American Midwifery Certification Board- Exam Committee.

Dr. Braxter is passionate and committed to improving the maternal health of Black birthing persons. Her clinical activities and research focus are linked to reducing maternal mortality and morbidity among Black birthing persons. Specifically, her research focus targets smoking, including electronic cigarettes, among pregnant birthing persons. She is one of the few Black/African American nurse midwives on the Pennsylvania Maternal Mortality Review Committee.

Dr. Braxter is a sought-after lecturer and publisher on maternal health care of incarcerated women. She serves on numerous boards and committees. Dr. Braxter is a member of Pittsburgh Black Nurses in Action (PBNIA) and a lifetime member of the National Black Nurses Association (NBNA). With her midwifery background, she served as the co-chair of NBNA’s Women Health Committee (WHC) 2014-2018. During her tenure, members of the WHC published several articles in the Fall 2018 issue of NBNA News. The articles targeted relevant issues in the maternal health space. Dr. Braxter is a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing.
2023 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Lisa Davis, MBA, MPH, BS, RN

Lisa Davis serves as the Public Health Chief of Staff for the South Carolina Department of Public Health and Environmental Control (DHEC). She is responsible for leadership and supervision of the state’s Public Health Laboratory, Community Nutrition Services, and Maternal and Child Health Bureaus with a combined annual budget of over $110 million. Prior to arriving to DHEC in 2015, she worked at the Connecticut Department of Public Health for 19 years, where her last position was as deputy commissioner responsible for the agency’s certificate of need, public health laboratory, public health performance and improvement, and administrative services programs.

Ms. Davis has a passion for workforce development and is currently developing DHEC’s first-ever Office of Nursing Workforce Strategic Plan. She created the agency’s Public Health Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) position; led the creation and expansion of the agency’s tuition assistance program for nurses; and developed a (pilot) leadership development program, Leading the Way, for mid-level managers. Committed to improving diversity and inclusion and health equity, she was instrumental in securing over $3.5 million in federal COVID-19 funding to work with local nursing programs to develop a DEI Academy for nursing students to address health disparities and prepare a diverse and ready public health preparedness workforce.

Ms. Davis previously served as the president of the Northern Connecticut Black Nurses Association (NCBNA). During her tenure, she was a founding member and convener of the State (nursing) Action Coalition, supported 28 high school and college nursing students to attend and experience the NBNA Annual Institute and Conference in Philadelphia, and was awarded funding from the Robert Wood Johnson foundation for the New England Minority Nurse Leadership Conference. Ms. Davis is the founding and current president of the Midlands of South Carolina Black Nurses Association, Inc. (MSCBNA), chartered in 2019. She has convened and facilitates a South Carolina nursing collaborative that includes the MSCBNA, Tri-County BNA, three chapters of Chi Eta Phi Sorority, and the South Carolina Nurses Association.

Ms. Davis is the recipient of the James E. Clyburn Health Equity Leadership Award, Carolyn Ladd Widmer Outstanding Alumni Nursing Leadership Award, Nightingale Award, Connecticut Breastfeeding Coalition Public Health Infrastructure Award, Northern Connecticut Black Nurses Collaborative Spirit Award, and others.

Ms. Davis serves on NBNA’s Finance Committee and is a member of the American Public Health Association, South Carolina Public Health Association, National Association of Health Services Executives, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. (Chair, Grants Committee), Chi Eta Phi Nursing Sorority, and Brookland Baptist Church.

Ms. Davis holds an MBA from the Hartford Graduate Center, MPH from Columbia Southern University, and BS from the University of Connecticut School of Nursing. She is an alumnus of the RWJ Executive Nurse Fellows program, a graduate of Leadership Columbia, a professional and executive coach through the Coaching and Positive Psychology Institute, holds a certificate in diversity and inclusion from E-Cornell, and was an NBNA Institute of Excellence inductee in 2012.
2023 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Derrick A. Humphries, ESQ, J.D.

ATTORNEY DERRICK A. HUMPHRIES, ESQ is a practicing lawyer based in Washington, District of Columbia. He graduated from the University of Michigan, with a B. A. Degree in 1968, and from Wayne State University in 1972 with his Juris Doctor degree. He is licensed to practice law in the state Michigan, and Washington, DC. He is a principal partner at Humphries & Partners, PLLC. His background is in corporate accountability, professional associations, not-for-profit organizations, education, public policy, and litigation. He is a sought advisor and lecturer on organizational governance and leadership. He has taught at Howard University School of Law and is member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity.

Attorney Humphries was introduced to the National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) through Mrs. Sadako Holmes, NBNA’s first executive director. They met at the Washington National Cathedral in Washington, DC; they both served as ushers. A faithful servant, Attorney Humphries was eventually elevated to head usher. As head usher, he had the honor to escort and lead world dignities into the house worship on many special occasions. A few of the world leaders he escorted included President Nelson Mandela, Queen Elizabeth II, Margaret Thatcher, Bishop Desmond Tutu and Princess Diana. He also escorted U.S. Presidents and First Ladies, such as, the Regans, Carters, Fords, Bushes, Clintons, Obamas, and Bidens. There are others world renowned leaders and political figures such as Dr. Dorothy Height, Dr. Louis Sullivan and Congresswoman, Shirley Chisholm. In 2023, NBNA celebrated its 35th Day on Capitol Hill. When we needed to connect with some of our representatives, Attorney Humphries became our go to person. NBNA had 11 congressional representatives to speak this year at our historical event, the most in the history of NBNA Day on the Hill.

Attorney Humphries has worked with all 13 NBNA presidents either prior to, during, or after their presidency. He worked with our founder Dr. Lauranne Sams. He also worked with our founder and 6th President Dr. Betty Smith Williams and assisted her when she found the National Coalition of Ethnic Minority Nurse Associations and continue to serve as their legal counsel. Attorney Humphries is affiliated with or serves as counsel for over 16 professional organizations, such as the National Black Chamber of Commerce, National Organization of Black County Officials, National Alliance of Black School Educators Foundation, Association of Black Psychologists Board of Directors, National Association of Neighborhoods, and the National Newspaper Publishers Association.

Attorney Humphries is the eldest of 13 children. He is married, and he enjoys his children and grandchildren, plus his extended family. His favorite saying is, “Teamwork makes the Dreamwork.” NBNA your adopted family, encourages you to keep on dreaming.
DR. ROBERTA WAITE is dean and professor at Georgetown University School of Nursing in Washington DC. She has committed the last 35 years of her nursing career to dismantling health care inequities with special emphasis on community-centered work. She has served as content expert for the National Commission to Address Racism in Nursing, as the American Nurses Association representative on the National Quality Forum MAP Committee on Health Equity, on Trinity Health’s corporate health system board, and has continuously aligned her efforts with racial and social justice. In 2022, her commitment was recognized with the Modern Healthcare’s Excellence in Governance Award for her work on the corporate health system board with improvements in clinical quality, safety, and health equity; her leadership in the expansion of community health and well-being programs; and her efforts in leading community outreach programs throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

Dr. Waite brings a nursing lens and advocacy to her work and her life—centering on social and racial justice, valuing humanity, collective liberation, empathy, interdependence, kindness, having fun, and humor. These efforts are illustrated in her work on the board of directors for Family Process Institute, Independence Blue Cross Foundation, Georgetown MedStar Hospital, and her service on Advancing Health Equity’s National Advisory Board supported by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Dr. Waite is an advocate for social justice, targeting structural and social mechanisms that detract from health. Prior to joining Georgetown, she was professor and associate dean for Community-Centered Health & Wellness and Academic Integration at Drexel University College of Nursing and Health Professions in Philadelphia, PA. While there, she served as the executive director of the Stephen & Sandra Sheller 11th St. Family Health Services and provided strategic oversight of the College’s four other clinical sites—counseling and family therapy, nutrition, physical therapy, and the wellness center.

Dr. Waite’s social mission and work in education research led to the development of the Macy Undergraduate Leadership Program which she developed as an inaugural Macy Faculty Scholar. This program focuses on leadership development using a social justice lens and includes students from nursing and other health professions, including behavioral health counseling, nutrition sciences, health administration services, and health sciences. Dr. Waite has published over 100 peer-reviewed articles, essays, and research studies and invited articles, books, and book chapters in nursing and other disciplines. She is a sought-after speaker on topics related to leadership and racism, especially Anti-Black racism in nursing, with a special focus on pursuing health equity and providing trauma-informed care. She served on the Governor’s Think Tank to develop guidelines for a Trauma-Informed Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Waite earned a baccalaureate degree in nursing and EdD in Higher Education Administration Leadership from Widener University in Chester, PA, and her master’s in psychiatric-mental-health nursing from the University of Pennsylvania. She then completed a post-doctoral research fellowship focused on vulnerable women, children, and families at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing.
DR. KENYA D. WILLIAMS is the executive director of the National Student Nurses Association (NSNA) and executive director of the Foundation of the National Student Nurses Association (FNSNA). She is the first African American to hold this prestigious position, serving as the voice for the nation's 730,000 nursing students. As executive director she is responsible for the overall implementation and success of the NSNA/FNSNA mission, vision, and strategy and leads the development and execution of near and long-term goals. This position includes overseeing financial management, program development, organizational development, fundraising, government and external relations, marketing, public relations, and community engagement.

Prior to her elevation to the role of executive director, Dr. Williams served as the duty executive director for the NSNA, and president of the Foundation of the Student Nurses Association. Through her long-term commitment to diversifying the nursing profession, she has made it her mission to improve educational outcomes and professional opportunities for nurses of all demographics. While working in numerous leadership positions, Dr. Williams has relentlessly advocated for the importance of diversity, equity, and inclusion in healthcare systems. Most notably, she has been the first African American woman elected NSNA President and the first and only African American to serve as president of the FNSNA.

Dr. Kenya Williams served as past president of the Black Nurses Association of Greater St. Louis and was responsible for rejuvenating the long-time dormant chapter of the National Black Nurses Association. During her efforts in reviving the chapter, Dr. Williams was instrumental in furthering diversity, equity, and inclusion education in healthcare systems to impact the 691,000 people in Missouri who identify as Black or African American.

Dr. Williams has been the recipient of numerous awards and honors, including the Excellence in Healthcare Leadership Award from the St. Louis American, an Official Citation from the Missouri General Assembly, the Missouri Community College Association Distinguished Alumni Award, and the BJC Healthcare - Christian Hospital Professional Nurse of Year Award. In addition, Dr. Williams has established an endowed scholarship in her name: the Williams/Shock Legacy of Leaders Scholarship with FNSNA and has funded the previous Dr. Kenya Williams Health Policy Scholarship with the National Black Nurses Association. Recently, NSNA established the Dr. Kenya Williams Breakthrough to Nursing Scholarship in honor of Dr. Williams.

A native of Missouri, Dr. Williams earned an Associate of Science in Nursing from St. Louis Community College and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from the University of Missouri. She earned a Master of Science in Nursing focusing on Health Systems Management from the University of Virginia and completed a Doctor of Education in Interdisciplinary Leadership at Creighton University in Nebraska. Dr. Williams completed her Master in Business Administration at Webster University in St. Louis. She is a registered parliamentarian and earned a Certified Association Executive (CAE) designation by the American Society of Association Executives. The CAE is the highest professional credential in Association Management.
TRILBY BARNES-GREEN, BSN, RN is currently a Telephonic Triage Nurse at Ochsner Hospital’s Care Coordination Center located in New Orleans, Louisiana. In October 2023, she will begin a master’s program in Non-Profit Organization Management. Since the start of her career in 1978, Mrs. Barnes-Green has changed lives working in various health care settings. In 1991 she followed her passion to ensure quality care at the bedside and founded Medi-Lend Nursing Services, a multi-million-dollar nurse staffing company. In 2007 she established Pro-Lend Staffing LLP, a general staffing company, serving as president and CEO of both companies for 25 years and 10 years respectively.

Medi-Lend has paved the way for over 2,500 nurses to receive fair and equal pay as temporary local and travel staff. The company developed guidelines for organizations to increase their expectations of staffing agencies regarding overall agency performance, nurse qualifications, and screening policies. These best practices were adopted by the Metropolitan Nursing Council and used as guidelines to evaluate and select preferred staffing agencies for its member facilities. Medi-Lend originated in New Orleans, Louisiana, and the success of the company led to expansion into Texas and California. Medi-Lend of California was among the first staffing agency to achieve Joint Commission accreditation. The company has been a routine vendor at the National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) Annual Institute and Conference.

Mrs. Barnes-Green served as president, vice president, and treasurer of the New Orleans chapter of the NBNA. She is a lifetime member of NBNA. During her two terms as a board member at-large and treasurer of NBNA, Mrs. Barnes-Green has worked as chair of finance and investment committees, and for 10 years served as the conference registrar and co-registrar. During her tenure as a board member, she founded four new chapters, adding approximately 100 new members and served on numerous committees addressing issues such gun violence, women’s health, scholarship funding, and membership. She received the NBNA Nurse Entrepreneur of the Year in 2002. She has obtained congressional acknowledgements for the New Orleans Black Nurses Association and NBNA officers and corporate sponsors from congressional members.

Mrs. Barnes-Green authored articles for the NBNA newsletter, namely Surviving the Storm—a detailed account of her and Medi-Lend nurses’ experiences during the Hurricane Katrina disaster. Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, she assembled organizations to form a collaborative and solicited the help of NBNA and its partner, Direct Relief, to coordinate distribution of various personal protective equipment and supplies. Mrs. Barnes-Green was interviewed by CNN. For over 20 years, she has worked with VITAS Healthcare as an End-of-Life Nursing Consortium Speaker.

In 2003, Mrs. Barnes-Green was featured in a special edition of Essence Magazine and its Special Collector’s Edition book, “Making It Happen”. In the same year, she was selected by Citi Business as New Orleans Citi Businesswoman of the Year and was heralded for her many contributions to the nursing profession. In October 2022, she received the eponymously named inaugural Trilby Barnes Diversity Award from Ochsner’s Care Coordination Center in recognition of her personal impact on patient lives and communities faced with overwhelming healthcare disparities.
KENDRICK T. CLACK is a nurse practitioner and sub-investigator at the Crofoot MD Clinic and Research Center in Houston, Texas. He provides routine primary care, treatment, and prevention of HIV and other sexually transmitted infections, and gender-affirming care. He also serves as a sub-investigator on clinical trials evaluating the safety and efficacy of investigational biomedical therapies for HIV treatment and prevention. He is board certified by the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners and the America Academy of HIV Medicine. In previous roles, Clack has developed and implemented programming for HIV PrEP/PEP and rapid start HIV treatment services at health department and community-based organizations in Harris County, Texas. These programs provide benefits to uninsured individuals to access HIV treatment and prevention medications. These programs have served over 100 patients under Clack’s direction and continue to expand in the Harris County area.

As chair of the NBNA Men’s Health Committee, Clack implemented the Men’s Health Institute Bow Tie Breakfast and Wear Blue Day to recognize men’s health awareness. Over the past 5 years, the NBNA Bow Tie Breakfast has provided men’s health education to over 500 attendees. This work has spread from the national level to multi-state local chapters that have embraced Men’s Health Month. Additionally, Mr. Clack co-hosted the annual men’s health program with the Fort Bend County Black Nurses Association.

Mr. Clack has been recognized for his service at the national and local levels by receiving recognitions as Nurse of the Year, 40 under 40 Leaders in Minority Health, and community recognition awards. Some of his professional and civic engagements include serving as a member of the American Association of Nurse Practitioners, a past board member and officer of the National Black Nurses Association and Fort Bend County Black Nurses Association, and past national president of Delta Phi Upsilon Fraternity, Inc. He has also served as a consultant on advisory boards and has provided presentations on HIV treatment and prevention to national audiences via podium presentations and webcasts.

Mr. Clack earned his baccalaureate and master’s in nursing from Texas Woman’s University in Houston. He is currently pursuing a Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing Science from the same institution. His research interests include advancing health equity in HIV treatment, prevention, and sexual health among Black men. He recently collaborated on a published article titled An Exploration of COVID-19 Vulnerabilities in Six Texas Counties.
DR. GAEA DANIEL is an assistant professor at the Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing, Emory University. Her program of research focuses on understanding the sociocultural and environmental influences that affect sexual health behaviors and outcomes in Black women.

Dr. Daniel is a two-time Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Scholar, selected for both the New Careers in Nursing and Future of Nursing Scholars Programs. She served on the New Careers in Nursing Scholars Network as founding member. Dr. Daniel is also a Gilead Sciences Research Scholar and an Emory Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women’s Health Scholar. Most recently, she co-edited a book published by Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing, Taking Action: Top 10 Priorities to Promote Health Equity and Well-Being in Nursing.

Dr. Daniel is a proud member of the Atlanta Black Nurses Association where she has served as a board member and currently leads the chapter’s efforts to promote the National Institutes of Health’s All of Us Research Program. She devotes time to diversity-related initiatives within the nursing profession by serving as the Diversity Committee co-chair of the Georgia Nursing Leadership Coalition. In addition to receiving a scholarship from NBNA during her doctoral studies, Dr. Daniel was a 2020 recipient of NBNA’s prestigious Under 40 Award for her demonstration of excellence and innovation in her professional career and community.

Dr. Daniel and a colleague were funded to develop a mentoring program to build a pipeline for Black men to enter into nursing. The project, High School to Higher Education: Increasing Black Male Representation in Nursing, was awarded funding from the AARP Campaign for Action’s Nursing Innovations Fund. As the co-founder, this innovative pathway program is addressing nursing workforce needs relative to diversity and growing the pipeline and representation of future Black men in nursing.

Dr. Daniel is passionate about serving the community and enjoys volunteering with the Atlanta Black Nurses Association. Additionally, she works with SisterLove, Inc., to promote sexual and reproductive health in minoritized and historically excluded communities. Through her grantsmanship, Dr. Daniel was able to secure funding from Direct Relief’s Fund for Health Equity to purchase a mobile health clinic, the HealthyLove Bus, which provides sexual health education, as well as HIV and sexually transmitted infection testing and counseling to the community. Dr. Daniel is the Program/Clinical Director for this project and is supporting SisterLove’s goal of providing sexual and reproductive health services on the HealthyLove Bus to increase awareness and access.

Dr. Daniel received her Bachelor of Liberal Studies from Mercer University, a Master of Science in Nursing from Augusta University, and her PhD in Nursing from Emory University.
2023 TRAILBLAZER AWARD

Lindsey M. Harris, DNP, RN, FNP-BC

Dr. Lindsey Harris began her nursing journey as a student-athlete at Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama where she received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing with a minor in business. She received her MSN with a concentration in family practice and her Doctor of Nursing Practice from the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Nursing. Dr. Harris is a family nurse practitioner at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) Medicine and faculty at the UAB School of Nursing. Her passion for helping others stemmed from her loving and giving family who always provided for and helped others in need. The desire for giving and help was innate. The profession of nursing seemingly was the natural progression to fuel her passion. Dr. Harris was named an Alabama Influencer and has been featured on billboards, media spots, and mailers statewide. She has presented extensively on healthcare disparities, access to care, mentorship, mental health, and nursing advocacy issues. Harris continues to address healthcare inequities that have been highlighted by COVID-19. Proficient in Spanish, she helped to manage COVID-19 vaccine sites improving access in Hispanic communities. As a past president of the Birmingham Black Nurses Association Inc., Dr. Harris is actively involved in community work. She is a member of the Hispanic Nurses Association, Philippine Nurses Association, and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Dr. Harris is an advocate for nursing, having served as an officer in the Nurse Practitioner Alliance of Alabama and has lobbied for advancing nursing practice within the state of Alabama.

Dr. Harris is the first person of color to serve as president of the Alabama State Nurses Association in the organization’s 107 year history. She advanced the organization’s mission to promote nursing excellence and leveraged partnerships with the state’s minority nursing associations, local city officials, hospital and pharmacy associations, and district church leaders in efforts to increase healthcare access and education in Alabama’s underrepresented communities.

Dr. Harris has received over 20 professional awards and recognitions, including Samford University Outstanding Young Alumna and University of Alabama School of Nursing Young Alumna Award. She has also been the recipient of many scholastic awards. Dr. Harris received the Lillian Holland Harvey Award from the Alabama State Nurses Association. Dr. Holland was the dean of nursing at Tuskegee University and is known for establishing the first baccalaureate in nursing program in the state of Alabama. In 2015, Dr. Harris received the Advanced Practice Nurse of the Year Award from the National Black Nurses Association and in 2016, the NBNA Under 40 Award for Outstanding Service. She was also awarded the NBNA Staff Nurse of the Year Award. Dr. Harris is one of the youngest recipients of Ida V. Moffett Living Legacy Award presented by Samford University. UAB School of Nursing awarded her the Joann Barnett Compassionate Care Award, and in 2021 recognized her with the UAB Visionary Leader Award.

Dr. Harris is currently completing a health policy fellowship with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. As a public servant in the House of Representatives, Harris serves as a Legislative Fellow in Representative Lauren Underwood’s office working towards advancing women’s health equity worldwide. In October of 2023, she will be inducted into the American Academy of Nurses.
Blake K. Smith, MSN, RN

Blake K. Smith, MSN, RN, serves as a Clinical Documentation Sr. Analyst at Nebraska Medicine in Omaha, NE. He oversees quality improvement/informatics projects specializing in health literacy, plan of care, downtime procedures, and regulatory reporting for five partnered hospital systems across Nebraska. He is a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation New Careers in Nursing Scholar and was the first chair of the New Careers in Nursing (NCIN) Scholars Network founding member. Smith has presented globally on men’s health and underrepresented nursing workforce inclusion issues. In 2023, he presented at the International Council of Nurses (ICN) Congress in Montreal.

Smith recently finished his term as the youngest president of the American Association for Men in Nursing (AAMN), which has a 52-year history. He advocated for several years nationally for workforce inclusion serving on the national Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Steering Committee for AARP/Center to Champion Nursing in America. Also, he served as one of the original commissioners for the National Commission to Address Racism in Nursing. Smith currently holds positions as a volunteer ambassador for the newly developed AARP Center for Health Equity through Nursing (A-CHEN) and Chair of Communications for the Nurses on Boards Coalition (NOBO) Board of Directors.

Smith earned a bachelor’s in science degree in Exercise Science Research from Nebraska Wesleyan University in Lincoln in 2008, a BSN from Nebraska Methodist College in Omaha in 2012, and an MSN in Nursing Health Systems Administration from the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) in 2017.

Smith is proud to be a member of the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi (UAB Chapter), Golden Key International Honor Society (UAB Chapter), Phi Epsilon Kappa Honor Fraternity for Kinesiology (Nebraska Wesleyan Chapter), Zeta Psi Intercontinental Fraternity (Omicron Chapter), Sigma International (Nurse Leader Member/Tau Tau Chapter), American Association for Men in Nursing (AAMN), National Black Nurses Association (NBNA), American Nurses Association, Nebraska Nurses Association, and the Omaha, Nebraska Chamber of Commerce Young Professional Organization.

Smith, a visionary thought leader for diversity and inclusion and volunteer advocacy work, has been recognized by Duke University, Vanderbilt University, Alzheimer’s Association, NFL Alumni Association, DAISY Foundation, Maryland Nurses Association, Virginia Nurses Association, and Nebraska Nurses Association. He also holds two prestigious recognitions, receiving the Horizon Lifetime Achievement Award from Nebraska Methodist College and the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Nursing Visionary Leader Award, given to only 130 other distinguished alumni in the school’s 72-year history.
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ADMINISTRATIVE NURSE OF THE YEAR
“To recognize excellence in clinical practice.”

Cynthia Denise Cleveland, DNP, RN, NE-BC
Associate Director for Patient Care Services
Birmingham VA Health Care System
Birmingham, AL
Birmingham BNA

ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE OF THE YEAR
“To recognize excellence in the clinical area at the advanced practice level”

Tedra S. Smith, DNP, CRNP, CPNP-PC, CNE, CHSE
CRNA
Nashville Vétérans Administration
Nashville, TN
Nashville BNA

NURSE EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR
“To recognize outstanding contribution to professional and/or patient education”

Ashley R. Graham-Perel, EdD, RN, NPD-BD,
Assistant Professor of Nursing
Columbia University School of Nursing
New York, New York
New York BNA

NURSE ENTREPRENEUR OF THE YEAR
“To recognize a successful business owner”

Denise Henry, DNP, RN, AHN-BC, CCM
Manager of Care Coordination & Social Work
New York Presbyterian Hospital
New York, New York
Greater New York City BNA

NURSE OF THE YEAR FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE
“To recognize outstanding and exemplary community service”

Kellie Dionne Bryant, DNP, WHNP, CHSE, FAAN
Assistant Dean of Clinical Affairs & Simulation
Columbia University
New York, New York
Greater New York City BNA

NURSE RESEARCHER OF THE YEAR AWARD
“To recognize a nurse researcher who has completed an outstanding research study and who has excellent potential to develop and implement a program of research that contributes to the well-being and health care of minorities”

Felesia Renee Bowen, PhD, DNP, PPCNP-BC, FAAN
Associate Dean for Diversity Equity and Inclusion
University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Nursing
Birmingham, AL
Birmingham BNA
2023 NBNA NURSE OF THE YEAR AWARDS

OUTSTANDING LICENSED PRACTICAL / VOCATIONAL NURSE OF THE YEAR
“To recognize an LPN / LVN who has demonstrated excellence in clinical practice, leadership, and service.”

Shirley Victoria Dennis, LPN
Montefiore Health Systems
Bronx, New York
Greater New York City BNA

STAFF NURSE OF THE YEAR
“To recognize excellence in clinical practice”

Tierney Tillis MSHQS, BSN, BS, RN, AMB-BC, LPN
St. Charles Community college
Mercy Hospital
ST. Louis
BNA of Greater St. Louis

STUDENT NURSE OF THE YEAR AWARD
“To recognize academic excellence”

Nyomi Celine Gibson
Student Nurse
Molloy University
Rockville Centre
Greater New York City BNA

UNIFORMED SERVICES NURSE OF THE YEAR AWARD
“To recognize excellence in the Uniformed Services”

Lisa M. Humphrey, MS, BSN, RN, CRNA
CRNA
Nashville Veterans Administration
Nashville, TN
Nashville BNA

uniformed services nurse of the Year Award
“To recognize excellence in the Uniformed Services”

Lisa M. Humphrey, MS, BSN, RN, CRNA
CRNA
Nashville Veterans Administration
Nashville, TN
Nashville BNA

outstanding licensed practical / vocational nurse of the Year
“To recognize an LPN / LVN who has demonstrated excellence in clinical practice, leadership, and service.”

Shirley Victoria Dennis, LPN
Montefiore Health Systems
Bronx, New York
Greater New York City BNA

staff nurse of the Year
“To recognize excellence in clinical practice”

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BNA of Greater St. Louis

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Nashville, TN
Nashville BNA
UNDER FORTY AWARDS

Josephine A. Agyei, BSN, RN
Mount Sinai Hospital
New York, NY
Greater New York City Black Nurses Association

J’Adore Larosa-Mattis, MSN, RN, APRN, FNP-BC
Mount Sinai Health System
New York, NY
Greater New York City Black Nurses Association

Sheree Criner, MS, RN-BC
Kaiser Permanente
Sacramento, CA
Capitol City Black Nurses Association

Irene Ondieki, DNP, NEA-BC, RN-BC
Montefiore Medical Center
Piscataway, NJ
Greater New York City Black Nurses Association

Charmaine L. Duckie, DNP, MSN, RN, MSRN-BC, NEA-BC
Duke Primary Care Riverview
Durham, NC
Central Carolina Black Nurses Council

Adenike Okeowo, DNP, RN CHNP, FNP-C, CHFN
Mount Sinai Health System
New York, NY
Greater New York City Black Nurses Association

Ashley Graham-Perel, EdD, RN, NPD-BC, MEDSURG-BC, CNE
Columbia University School of Nursing
New York, NY
New York Black Nurses Association

Retonya Pierre, MSN, BSN, RN
Baptist Health of South Florida-Homestead Hospital
Homestead, FL
Miami Chapter – Black Nurses Association
**UNDER FORTY AWARDS**

Lonnitria Rena Keenan, BSN, RN  
Ascension St. Vincent’s Birmingham  
Birmingham, AL  
Birmingham Black Nurses Association

Anniece Spencer, DNP, APRN, FNP-C, BC-ADM Abbott  
St. Louis, MO  
Black Nurses Association of Greater St. Louis

Eboney’ M. Shelbia-Jones, BSN, RN, RN-BC  
Houston Methodist - Sugarland  
Richmond, TX  
Fort Bend County Black Nurses Association

Ashley Weaver, MSN, RN, MEDSURG-BC, CNL  
Department of Veterans Affairs  
Birmingham, AL  
Birmingham Black Nurses Association
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DAISY AWARDS

NBNA DAISY HEALTH EQUITY AWARD FOR FRONTLINE REGISTERED NURSE

To recognize excellence of a Frontline Registered Staff Nurse who goes over and beyond to address health equity and work to mitigate one or more of the social determinants of health.

Jose Perpignan, Jr. BA, BS, RN
Registered Nurse
Highland Hospital
Rochester, New York
Greater New York City BNA

NBNA DAISY HEALTH EQUITY AWARD FOR LPN / LVN NURSE

To recognize excellence of an LPN/LVN in clinical practice who goes over and beyond to address health equity and work to mitigate one or more of the social determinants of health.

Nicole Wallace, LPN
Solid Tumor Nurse Liaison
Atrium Health Main
Charlotte, North Carolina
Piedmont BNA - Charlotte

NBNA DAISY HEALTH EQUITY CHAPTER PRESIDENT LEADERSHIP AWARD

To recognize excellent leadership by a chapter president who exemplifies extraordinary leadership to advance the mission and vision of NBNA by addressing health equity while meeting the needs of the community.

Tammy Woods, BSN, RN
Heart Failure Navigator
Novant Health, Inc.
Charlotte, North Carolina
Piedmont BNA - Charlotte

NBNA DAISY HEALTH EQUITY FOR THE NBNA CHAPTER (TEAM) AWARD

To recognize a chapter for their team efforts and activities that address health equity by going above and beyond caring for patients and family members who are from historically, medically, and underserved populations that bear the burden of health disparities.

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Brooklyn, NY
2023 NBNA SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

DR. LAURANNE SAMS SCHOLARSHIP

Four $1,000 Scholarships

This scholarship, which is named for the Founder and First President of the NBNA, Dr. Lauranne Sams, has a proud and distinguished legacy. The recipient must be an individual who truly represents the leadership, commitment to service and the scholarship of Dr. Sams. The Dr. Lauranne Sams Scholarship is awarded to qualified NBNA members based on their scholastic achievement, financial need, community service and pursuing a baccalaureate or advanced nursing degree.

Katrina Charbonnier, CD, SN
George Fox University, Nursing
Newberg, Oregon
Portland, Oregon
Alliance of BNA Oregon

Judith Clark, MSN, APRN-C
Barry University, School of Nursing
Miami Shores, Florida
Central Florida BNA

Dawn Patrick, BSN, MSN,
FNP-BC
Rivier University, Nursing
Nashua, New Hampshire
ST. Louis Missouri
BNA Greater St. Louis

Melanie Wren, RN, BSN,
MHCA, BS, AS
University of Alabama at Birmingham
Birmingham, Alabama
Birmingham Black Nurses Association

NBNA BOARD OF DIRECTORS SCHOLARSHIP

$1,500

This scholarship, provided by the NBNA Board of Directors, is awarded to a qualified NBNA member who is pursuing a baccalaureate or advanced nursing degree.

Kaelin Cherise Shay, BSN, RN, SANE
University of Louisville, School of Nursing
Louisville, Kentucky
KYANNA BNA of Louisville, KY

DR. DAISY HARMON-ALLEN SCHOLARSHIP

$2,000

The scholarship is provided by Dr. Daisy Harmon-Allen, the 13th President of the Chicago Chapter National Black Nurses Association in memory of her mother, Mrs. Bonnie Harmon who was an elementary school teacher in Sallis, Mississippi. The scholarship is awarded to an associate degree nursing student.

Tinika Loggins, LPN
St, Louis Missouri
Saint Charles Community College
Black Nurses Association of Greater St. Louis
2023 NBNA SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

ABBOTT SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Eight $10,000 Scholarships

The Abbott Scholarship Fund provides five scholarships for nursing students including two scholarships for nurse practitioner students and one scholarship for a PhD path student. Selection criteria include interest in primary care, clinical research, and improving diversity clinical trial, financial needs, academic performance, and a desire to serve vulnerable populations.

Kiana Cooper, RN, BSN
Winston-Salem State University, School of Nursing
Greensboro, North Carolina
Central Carolina BN Council

Cassandra Mombrun
University of Massachusetts
Boston, Massachusetts
New England Regional Black Nurses Association

Jasmine Harris, BS, BSN, RN
Rockhurst University, College of Nursing and Health Sciences
Kansas City, Missouri
Greater Kansas City BNA

Walter Perez
Frontier Nursing University
Versailles, Kentucky
Council of Black Nurses, Los Angeles

Mamadi Kromah, RN-BSN
Pennsylvania State University
Darby, Pennsylvania
Southeastern Pennsylvania Area Black Nurses Association

Alicia Nebblett-Roberts
SUNY Polytechnic Institute
Brooklyn, New York
Greater New York City Black Nurses

Celena Major
Chamberlain University College of Nursing, Bachelor Science in Nursing
Laurel, Maryland
Black Nurses Association of Greater Washington DC Area

Victoria L. Jordan-Smith, MSN, RN
Samford University School of Nursing
Birmingham, Alabama
Birmingham Black Nurses Association
2023 NBNA SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

ARIZONA COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS
One $30,000 and two $10,000 Scholarships
Arizona College is offering two partial scholarships to students pursuing a baccalaureate nursing degree. These students may be entering nursing program of study or matriculating as seniors.

Alexus Malone
Arizona College of Nursing
Falls Church, Virginia
BNA of Greater Washington DC Area

Kaylin Presley
Arizona College of Nursing
Las Vegas, Nevada
Southern Nevada, BNA

Destiny Spencer
Arizona College of Nursing
Southfield, Michigan
Detroit BNA

CROSS COUNTRY HEALTHCARE NURSING SCHOLARSHIP
Two $5,000 Scholarships
CROSS COUNTRY HEALTHCARE is sponsoring two scholarships for NBNA nursing students pursuing a baccalaureate degree or higher. The awards were based on scholastic merit, financial need and their personal statements detailing their reason(s) for pursuing a nursing degree.

Tekalia DeFlanders, BSN, RN, CCRN
University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences, College of Nursing
Little Rock, Arkansas
Little Rock BNA of Arkansas

Moriah McCloskey, RN, BSN
Johns Hopkins University, School of Nursing
Somerville Massachusetts
New England Regional Black Nurses Association

DR. (HON) MOLLICENT GORHAM SCHOLARSHIP
Two $2,000 Scholarships
This scholarship is provided by Sandra Evers-Manly in recognition of the work of Dr. (Honorary) Millicent Gorham, NBNA Past Executive Director. The scholarship is awarded to a NBNA student member pursuing a baccalaureate nursing degree.

Wisly Jean
Florida Atlantic University
Boca Raton, Florida
Miami Chapter Black Nurses Association
2023 NBNA SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

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Five $5,000 Scholarships

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Ruth Abiola
Southern Arkansas University
Bussey Hall Magnolia, Arkansas
Little Rock Black Nurses Association of Arkansas

Micah Benjamin
Northern Michigan University
Marquette, Michigan
Direct Member National Black Nurses Association

Victoria Thompson
Nazareth College of Rochester
Pittsford, New York
Rochester Black Nurses Association

Keierra Wiltshire
Mercy College, School of Nursing
Bronx, New York
New York Black Nurses Association

Rebecca Gailliez-Paul
Long Island University
Brooklyn, New York
Greater New York City Black Nurses Association
## 2023 NBNA Scholarship Awards

### George E. McGuire Memorial Scholarship

**$5,000**

The George McGuire Memorial Scholarship is an endowed scholarship awarded to a nursing student whose focus is Social Justice. The candidate must be a NBNA member for at least two years pursuing a graduate degree in nursing. Mr. McGuire was a loyal member of NBNA.

**Dajanae Gresham-Ryder, MSN, RN, PHN CMSRN**

California State University
Stockton, CA 95212
Capitol City Black Nurses Association

### Ophelia Long 5th National President of the NBNA Scholarship

**$2,000**

This scholarship is established in the honor of Mrs. Ophelia Long, the 4th President of the National Black Nurses Association, Inc. from 1983-1987 and a lifetime member. Mrs. Long was a distinguished leader in academia, breaking the glass ceiling as the first registered nurse to serve as the vice president of Meharry Medical College in Nashville, TN, and she was a renowned hospital and health system administrator breaking barriers to become Chief Executive Officer at two major hospitals: the Kaiser Permanente West Los Angeles Hospital and the Alameda County Medical Center that was comprised of three locations. In keeping with Ms. Long’s legacy in academia and practice, scholarship recipients may be LPN, AD, BSN, MSN, DNP and PhD with a 2.5 or higher GPA to continue their program progression.

**Mary Yeboah, BSN Student**

Emory University, School of Nursing
Atlanta, Georgia
Atlanta, Georgia
Atlanta Black Nurses Association (2023 Host Chapter)

**Kiara Hayden**

University of San Francisco, School of Nursing and Health Professions
San Francisco, California
Bay Area Black Nurses Association

### Dr. Lola Denise Jefferson Scholarship

**$1,000**

The scholarship is provided by Dr. Lola Denise Jefferson, the founder of the Fort Bend County Black Nurses Association Chapter in Houston Texas. The scholarship is awarded to a generic baccalaureate nursing student.

**Nadia Williams**

Long Island University, Harriet Rothkopf Heilbrunn School of Nursing
Brooklyn, New York
Greater New York City Black Nurses Association

### Vitass Healthcare / Esther Colliflower Scholarship

**$1,000**

The scholarship is sponsored by Vitass Healthcare and is awarded to an NBNA nurse or student nurse who is interested in pursuing a career in End-of-Life Care.

**Tatyana Charles, CAN**

The University of Missouri Kansas City, School of Nursing and Health Sciences
Kansas City, Missouri
Greater Kansas City BNA
2023 NBNA SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

SUPPLEMENTAL HEALTH CARE

*Five $5,000*

The Supplemental Health Care (SHC) Scholarship is a pathway program for LPN/LVNs and ADNS nursing student to continue their education and earn a BSN. This scholarship is designed to increase the pipeline of minority nurses to obtain a Bachelor’s Degree in nursing addressing the nurses’ shortage and creating a pool of nurses to obtain advance degrees in practice, education, research, leadership and advocacy. SHC celebrates the breadth and diversity of the nursing profession.

**Crystal Marie Bailey**
United States University
San Diego, California
Black Nurses Association of Greater St. Louis

**Jaden Petrus**
Howard University
College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences
Washington, DC
Black Nurses Association of Greater Washington, DC Area

**JaShae’ D. Jackson**
West Coast University
College of Nursing
Richardson, Texas
Greater East Texas Black Nurses Association

**Nykkia Sellers**
University of South Alabama
College of Nursing
Mobile, Alabama
Memphis-Riverbluff Black Nurses Association

**Johnnie Mae Lovelace, RN**
Georgia Southern University
School of Nursing
Statesboro, Georgia
Atlanta Black Nurses Association

**MRS. OLA LOFTON SCHOLARSHIP**

*$2,000*

This scholarship is named and given honor Mrs. Ola Lofton a World War II nurse who passed away on January 6, 2019. She loved the nursing profession and served her community for many years; she lived for 95 years. The scholarship is sponsored by Sandra Evers-Manly and is awarded to a NBNA nursing student pursuing a baccalaureate nursing degree.

**Mariel Walcott**
Molloy University, School of Nursing
Rockville Centre, New York
Uniondale, New York
New York Black Nurses Association
Nurse Educators: Teaching for the future of our practice

Prepare to function as a Nurse Educator in a variety of settings including schools of nursing and health care facilities through any of our three tracks.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Graduates are qualified to sit for the NLN National Nurse Educator Certification.

POST-GRADUATE NURSE EDUCATOR CERTIFICATE
3 SEMESTERS

MSN NURSE EDUCATOR
5 SEMESTERS

RN-BSN/MSN NURSE EDUCATOR
8 SEMESTERS
2023 NBNA Scholarship Awards

**Dr. Eric J. Williams Scholarship**

$1,000

This scholarship is provided by Sandra Evers-Manly in honor of Dr. Eric J. Williams, the First Male President of the National Black Nurses Association. The scholarship is awarded to a generic associate or baccalaureate nursing student.

Cyrenthia Sanders-Linton, BS
Wallace State Community College, School of Nursing
Hanceville, Alabama
Birmingham, Alabama
Birmingham Black Nurses Association

**Dr. Ena Williams, Leadership Scholarship**

$2,000

The Ena Williams scholarship is a pay-it-forward leadership award for nurses pursuing doctoral studies. Mrs. Williams, PhD scholarship is to appreciate those that helped her to realize her dream and supported her not just in monetary ways, but through mentorship and sponsorship.

Angela Elmore, MSN, RN-BC
Samford University, Nursing
Birmingham, Alabama
Eastern Oklahoma BNA

**Martha and Constance Brown Scholarship**

$2,000

Sponsored by Mrs. Constance Brown NBNA Board Member in honor of mother. Nurse Brown has a long history of service in the community engagement, grant writing and service. She is a past president of the Central Florida BNA, and recently, Mrs. Brown (both) are known for their community service and assistance to the underrepresented population in surrounding the central Florida area.

JaShae Jackson
West Coast University Dallas
Richardson, Texas
Greater East Texas Black Nurses Association

**Dorothy B. Martin Scholarship**

$2,000

Dorothy B. Martin Scholarship is to honor her legacy as a committed professional in the field of nursing. This scholarship of $2,000 is provided to a nursing student from North Carolina, Washington D.C., or Massachusetts pursuing either an undergraduate or graduate degree in nursing that is a member of the National Black Nurses Association. This scholarship is provided by friends and family of Pamela Martin Green, the daughter of Dorothy B. Martin.

Kesha Levesque, MBA/HCM, BSN, RN
Medical University of South Carolina
College of Nursing
Charleston, SC
Black Nurses Association of Baltimore
National Black Nurses Association
Ecumenical Usher Team
Salutes The National Black Nurses Association, Inc.
On The 51st Annual Institute & Conference

Pictured L-R:
Dr. Daisy Harmon-Allen, PhD, RN, MHA, MHRD, M.Ed., CBC
Lead Usher, CCNBNNA President Emeritus

Trilby Barnes-Green, BSN, RN
Co-Lead Usher, NOBNA President Emeritus

Not Pictured:
Dorothy Jackson, MSN, RN, CFBNA
Aaliyah Love-Clark, BSN, RN, MCNBNNA
Evelyn Merritt, MSN, RN, MCNBNNA
Kimberly Scott, MSN, MBA, RN, BABNA
Shenelle Tate, BSN, RN, NOBNA
Martina M. Ware, MSN, RN, MCNBNNA
Susie Madison, BSN, RN, Honorary Team Member, CCNBNNA
Rev. Dr. Evelyn Collier-Dixion, Ddiv, MSN, RN, Chairperson, CCNBNNA

Dr. Martha Dawson
DNP, RN, CNE, FAAN
NBNA 13th President

...For unto whosoever much is given, of him shall much be required... LUKE 12:48
THE NBNA AND Johnson & Johnson Center for Health Worker Innovation (CHWI) are partnering to identify, support, and develop the future generation of Black nurse leaders in academia, practice, advocacy and research. CHWI provided NBNA with grant to support ten emerging nurse scholars for 2023-24. During this year-long program participants will be paired with national leader and complete a leadership project. This national program is being led by Katherine Tucker, DNP, RN, APRN-BC, NE-BC Clinical Program Director for Heart and Vascular Center Outpatient Programs and Dr. Martha A. Dawson, RN, FAAN, FACHE, NBNA 13th President and Associate Professor at the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Maria L. Bobo, DNP, RN, WHNP-BC, CENP, NPD-BC
Director of Nursing Professional Development & Education
University of Michigan Health Adjunct Clinical Instructor, University of Michigan School of Nursing, Ann Arbor, MI

Veronica Boyd, DNP, RN
Mental Health Outpatient RN
Delta Specialty Hospital
Memphis, TN

Kendrick Clack, MS, APRN, FNP-C, AACRN, AAHIVS
Nurse Practitioner/Sub-Investigator
Crofoot MD Clinic and Research Center
Houston, TX

Sasha DuBois, M.S.N., R.N., NEA-BC
Nurse Director
Brigham and Women’s Hospital Mentor Simmons University Dotson Bridge and Mentoring Program
Boston, MA

Dajanae Gresham-Ryder MSN, RN, PHN, CMSRN
DNP Student; Class of 2024
Clinical Nurse III
University of California, Davis Medical Center
Sacramento, CA

Ursula Fletcher, MHA, RN, CPHQ, CPPS
Nursing Quality Specialist
Department of Nursing Administration
Mayo Clinic Arizona
Phoenix, AZ

Aron King, MS, RN
Assistant Nurse Manager
University of California, Davis Medical Center
Sacramento, Ca

Calene Roseman, MSN, RN
Inpatient Unit Director
Nurse Manager
Ph.D. (c) 2024
University of California, Davis Medical Center
Sacramento, CA

Patrice Sirmons, MPH, BSN, RN, NEA-BC
Owner and Principal Public Health Consultant
PSD Consulting Group
Cleveland, OH

Brenda Ross Swilley, PhD, RN, COHN-S
Assistant Professor
Texas Woman’s University
Houston J. and Florence A. Doswell College of Nursing
Dallas, TX
CHAPTER COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

Dr. Leonora Muhammad, Chair, NBNA Program Committee

GRAND CHAPTER
(120 plus members)

Fort Bend County Black Nurses Association

LARGE CHAPTER
(80 – 119 members)

Atlanta Black Nurses Association

MID-SIZE CHAPTER
(40 – 79 members)

Rochester Black Nurses Association

SMALL CHAPTER
(8 – 39 members)

Grand Rapids Black Nurses Association

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN AWARDS

Dr. Marcia Lowe, Chair, NBNA Membership Committee and Second Vice President

INDIVIDUAL LICENSED MEMBERS
FIRST PLACE
Leah Gordon – New England Regional Black Nurses Association

One complimentary NBNA membership (National dues only) for 2024
One complimentary conference registration for NBNA 2024 – Hollywood, FL
Two nights complimentary Hotel stay at the 2024 NBNA Conference – Hollywood, FL
$200.00 Gift Card
One “I RECRUITED A NURSE for NBNA” ribbon

INDIVIDUAL LICENSED MEMBERS
SECOND PLACE
Dr. Angela Adjey Appiah – Hudson Valley New York Black Nurses Association

One complimentary NBNA membership (National dues only) for 2024
One complimentary conference registration for NBNA 2024 – Hollywood, FL
One “I RECRUITED A NURSE for NBNA” ribbon

INDIVIDUAL LICENSED MEMBERS
FIRST PLACE
Tricia Romans – Fort Bend County Black Nurses Association

One complimentary conference registration for NBNA 2024 – Hollywood, FL
$100.00 Gift Card
One “I RECRUITED A NURSE for NBNA” ribbon

INDIVIDUAL UNLICENSED STUDENT MEMBERS
FIRST PLACE

Dr. Debbie Jones – Black Nurses Association of Greater Houston

One complimentary conference registration for NBNA 2024 – Hollywood, FL
One “I RECRUITED A NURSE for NBNA” ribbon
MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN AWARDS
Dr. Marcia Lowe, Chair, NBNA Membership Committee and Second Vice President

HIGHEST NUMBER OF MEMBERS
NEW AND EXISTING
(June 12, 2022/May 15, 2023)

GRAND CHAPTER (120 PLUS MEMBERS)
Fort Bend County Black Nurses Association

LARGE CHAPTER (80 – 119 MEMBERS)
Atlanta Black Nurses Association

MID-SIZE CHAPTER (40 – 79 MEMBERS)
Piedmont BNA Black Nurses Association

SMALL CHAPTER (8 – 39 MEMBERS)
Ann Arbor National Black Nurses Association

HIGHEST RETENTION BY JANUARY 31, 2023

Grand Chapter – Fort Bend County Black Nurses Association
Large Chapter – Southeastern Pennsylvania Area Black Nurses Association
Mid-Size Chapter – Acadiana Black Nurses Association
Small Chapter – Okefenokee Black Nurses Association

HIGHEST NUMBER OF NEW LIFETIME MEMBERS

Grand Chapter – Birmingham Black Nurses Association
Large Chapter – Black Nurses Association of Greater Washington DC Area
Mid-Size Chapter – Piedmont Black Nurses Association - Charlotte
Small Chapter – Black Nurses Association of Greater Cincinnati

HIGHEST PERCENT GROWTH IN MEMBERSHIP
(June 15, 2022/May 15, 2023)

Grand Chapter – Black Nurses Association of Greater Houston
Large Chapter – Southeastern Pennsylvania Area Black Nurses Association
Mid-Size Chapter – Piedmont Black Nurses Association - Charlotte
Small Chapter – Ann Arbor National Black Nurses Association

HIGHEST NUMBER OF STUDENT MEMBERS

Grand Chapter – Fort Bend County Black Nurses Association
Large Chapter – Southeastern Pennsylvania Area Black Nurses Association
Mid-Size Chapter – Piedmont Black Nurses Association - Charlotte
Small Chapter – Detroit Black Nurses Association

HIGHEST NUMBER OF LPN/LVN MEMBERS

Grand Chapter – Birmingham Black Nurses Association
Large Chapter – Atlanta Black Nurses Association
Mid-Size Chapter – Black Nurses Association of Greater St. Louis
Small Chapter – Grand Rapids Black Nurses Association

HIGHEST NUMBER OF MALE MEMBERS

Grand Chapter – Fort Bend County Black Nurses Association
Large Chapter – Southeastern Pennsylvania Area Black Nurses Association
Mid-Size Chapter – Capitol City Black Nurses Association
Council of Black Nurses, Los Angeles
Small Chapter – Black Nurses Association of Austin
FRIENDS OF NBNA

DOROTHY B. MARTIN, LPN SCHOLARSHIP
Elaine Curry • Barbara Gibson
Pamela Green • Jaki Shelton Green
Sandi L. Haynes • Susan A. Jeffries AKA Samm
Joyce Martin-Williams • Wanda A. Payne
Nichole Smith

OPHELIA LONG SCHOLARSHIP
Lucy A. Johnson

IN MEMORY OF HELEN MCKENZIE
Agnes Cyriaque-Ivey • Abigail Kaberon
Dorothy Kane • Suzanne Penn
Susan Walter • Ililewa Companies

IN MEMORY OF KENNARD L. JACKSON
Paulette Heath

IN MEMORY OF LAFADIE BELLE DICKERSON WHITTCO, RN
West Virginia Nurses Association

IN MEMORY OF EVELYN EASTER
Tuesday N. Rankin and Friends at West Chester AALC

■
Caroline Staerk

■
Tretan D. Ivory
NBNA is honored to have two historic AIDS Quilts on display during this year’s conference on Thursday, August 3, and Friday, August 4, in the Grand Ballroom. NBNA has been invited to participate in AIDS Memorial Program by signing our own memorial panel, so stop by Thursday or Friday from 8:00am – 6:00pm to add your name in support or that of a loved one who died from AIDS.

The National AIDS Memorial is committed to being an inclusive social justice organization in its vision, organizational practices, programs, and actions. In particular, the National AIDS Memorial aims to be an anti-racist organization and a leader in intersectional racial justice thinking, organizing, and action in the health and social justice arena.

The first panels of the Quilt were stitched together nearly 35 years ago and now there are more than 50,000 panels with 105,000 names sewn into its fabric. Help preserve and protect this national treasure so each panel is always cared for and the stories are forever told.

BLACK LIVES LOST TO AIDS – AIDS QUILT VIRTUAL EXHIBITION

The National AIDS Memorial honors Black lives lost to AIDS with a specially curated selection of 56 sections of the AIDS Memorial Quilt bringing to light stories of the AIDS pandemic and its impact and loss in the African American community through the beauty and power of the Quilt.

www.aidsmemorial.org/virtual-quilt/virtual-quilt-black-history
Congratulations to the National Black Nurses Association on their 51st National Conference and Institute!
Through the intersecting pillars of storytelling, artwork and historical data, Versiti’s innovative exhibit LifeLine: The Ultimate Bond serves as a much-needed catalyst for authentic dialogue and increased organ and tissue donor registration within Milwaukee’s African American community.

Educational in nature, this groundbreaking exhibition presents inspiring personal testimonies of organ and tissue donation by Milwaukee Divine Nine members. These encouraging accounts of survival are enriched through a powerful presentation of multimedia artwork by Wisconsin-based, African American creatives.

Supplemental facts and statistics surrounding organ and tissue donation aim to contextualize this exhibition, including a digitally interactive map of Wisconsin highlighting the community need for organ transplants by county.

Generously supported by Donate Life Wisconsin, the exhibition is a collaboration with local artists, United Network of Organ Sharing (UNOS), Mapbox, America’s Black Holocaust Museum, and members of the nine prominent Black Greek-lettered fraternity and sorority organizations with ties to organ and tissue donation.

The National Black Nurses Association and the ad hoc Committee on Men’s Health are proud to present:

**LIFELINE: THE ULTIMATE BOND**

**THE FRATERNITIES**

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
*Founded in 1906* at Cornell University initially as a study & support group for black male students facing harsh racial prejudice.

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.
*Founded in 1911* at Indiana University for similar reasons related to having a brotherly bond and retreat from racial tension and prejudices.

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.
*Founded in 1911* at Howard University as the first Black Greek-letter brotherhood at an Historically Black College or University (HBCU).

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.
*Founded in 1914* at Howard University on the basis of an inclusivity that would benefit the communities from which its members originated.

Iota Phi Theta fraternity, Inc.
*Founded in 1963* at Morgan State University as a product of the Civil Rights Movement.

**THE SORORITIES**

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
*Founded in 1908* at Howard University and paved the way for Black Greek-letter sorority life.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
*Founded in 1913* at Howard University being strongly influenced by the Women’s Suffrage Movement.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
*Founded in 1920* at Howard University with a focus on raising the consciousness of their people coming out of The Great Depression.

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.
*Founded in 1922* by seven educators and later becoming incorporated at Butler University.
51ST ANNUAL INSTITUTE AND CONFERENCE

AGENDA

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1

9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
NBNA Office
Room 203, Second Floor

9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
NBNA Registration Office
Room 201, Second Floor Lobby

11:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Atlanta Black Nurses Association Health Fair
West End Mall, Atlanta, GA
Member Transportation
Bus Departs at 10:45 am
Hotel Front Entrance

1:00 PM – 3:30 PM
Board of Directors Meeting
Crystal Ballroom, First Floor

3:00 PM – 7:00 PM
NBNA Conference Registration
Grand Ballroom Foyer, Second Floor

3:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Mentoring in the Moment
NBNA Buddy Café
Registration
Grand Ballroom Foyer, Second Floor

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Moderators and Monitors Orientation
VIRTUAL

5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Speaker Ready Room
Room 205, Second Floor

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2

7:00 AM – 5:00 PM
NBNA Office
Room 203, Second Floor

7:00 AM – 5:00 PM
NBNA Registration Office
Room 201, Second Floor Lobby

7:00 AM – 5:00 PM
NBNA Conference Registration
Grand Ballroom Foyer, Second Floor

7:30 AM – 4:30 PM
Leadership Institute
(Chapter Presidents and Vice Presidents)
Salon East, Second Floor
Sponsored by: Amgen and Hologic
Non-CE Session

Addressing the Built Environment: The Role of NBNA Local Chapters in Addressing the Social and Political Determinants of Health at Ground Zero
Emerging Asthma Treatments, Securing and Sustaining Funding to Support Community Engagement, and Serving on Boards to Achieve Impactful Partnerships, Advocacy and Outcomes.

8:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Mentoring in the Moment
NBNA Buddy Café
Registration
Grand Ballroom Foyer, Second Floor

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Speaker Ready Room
Room 205, Second Floor
Non-CE Session

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Speaker Ready Room
Room 205, Second Floor
**8:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

**ELNEC the New Curriculum on Communication**
Salon West, Second Floor  
*Sponsored by: VITAS Healthcare*

Breakfast and Lunch will be served; Space is Limited
CEs provided by VITAS Healthcare

*Moderator:*
Trilby Barnes, BSN, RN-BC  
Telephonic Triage Nurse  
Care Coordination Center  
Ochsner Hospital  
New Orleans, LA

**Speakers in order of Presentations:**

- **B. David Blake, MD, DABFM**  
  President  
  Georgia State Medical Association  
  Atlanta, GA

- **Ottamissiah Moore, BSN, RN, WCC, DWC, CSD-LTC**  
  Nurse Educator  
  Bridgepoint Healthcare  
  Bowie, MD

- **Kristopher T. Halsey, PhD, D. Div.**  
  Bereavement Manager  
  VITAS Healthcare of Philadelphia  
  Philadelphia, PA

- **Joel Sworney**  
  Presentation Coordinator  
  Hospital Liaison Committee  
  Atlanta, GA

- **Donald Guinn**  
  Presentation Chair  
  Hospital Liaison Committee  
  Atlanta, GA

- **Diane Deese, MCLSS-GB, CDEI-HC, CACPFI, EMT, CDEI-PP**  
  Vice President of Community Affairs  
  VITAS Healthcare  
  Miami, FL

**9:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

**American Red Cross Workshop**
Nurses Addressing Health Equity with the American Red Cross: Updates and Practice

Room 214, Second Floor  
CE Session  
*In Partnership with: The American Red Cross*

*Moderator:*
Rebecca M. Harris-Smith, EdD, MSN, BA, RN  
Interim Dean of Nursing  
France Darlington Technical College/School of Nursing, Florence, SC

Carmen Kynard, RN, MSN, FNP-BC, DNP, CPHRM, CPHQ, MBA, Med  
Chief of Quality  
Kansas City Veterans Medical Center  
Kansas City, MO

Yvette Miller, MD  
Executive Medical Director  
American Red Cross Donor and Client Support Center  
Charlotte, NC

**10:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

**American Red Cross Blood Drive**  
*All are welcome!*

Rooms 212 – 213, Second Floor  
*In Partnership with: The Atlanta American Red Cross*

**12:00 PM – 2:00 PM**

**Strategies to Promote the Success of Nursing Students**

Room 301, Third Floor  
CE Session  

*Moderator:*
Kim McGee-Cummings DHA, MSN, RN  
New Orleans BNA NOBNA, Vice-President  
Lifetime Member  
New Orleans BNA-New Orleans  
New Orleans, LA

**Promoting Success for Black Pre-Licensure Nursing Students**

- **Paula Gordon, PhD, RN**  
  Clinical Associate Professor  
  McDonough, GA

- **LaDonia Patterson, EdD, MSN, RN, CNE**  
  Clinical Assistant Professor  
  Emory University  
  Nell Hodgson Woodruff College of Nursing  
  Atlanta, GA
Past, Present, and Future: Exploring Successes and Challenges of Newly Licensed Black Nurses

Erica V. Henderson, DNP, MSN, RN, CCTC
RN Resident Program Manager
Grady Memorial Hospital
Atlanta, GA

Kelly A. Gallagher, MSN, RN, NPD-BC, NEA-BC
Director, Nursing Programs
Vizient, Inc.
Irving, TX

12:00 PM – 2:00 PM
Innovations to Develop Diversity in the Nursing Workforce
Room 303, Third Floor
CE Session
Moderator:
Teneisha Howard, MSN, RN
Nursing Professional Development Specialist
Medical ICU Baylor University Medical Center Dallas
Metroplex BNA-Dallas, Vice President

Key Drivers to Increase Nursing Workforce Diversity
Kellie Dionne Bryant, DNP, WHNP, CHSE, FAAN
Assistant Dean of Clinical Affairs & Simulation
School of Nursing
Columbia University
New York, NY

Dewi Brown-DeVeaux, DNP, BS, RN, ONC
Senior Director of Nursing, Patient Engagement and Experience
NYU Langone Health
Brooklyn, NY

Navigating A New Landscape Of Nursing Post-COVID 19: Implications For Black Nurses
Ahnyel Burkes, DNP, RN-BC, NEA-BC
Executive Director
Louisiana State Nursing Association
Slidell, LA

Benita N. Chatmon, PhD, MSN, RN, CNE,
Assistant Dean for Clinical Nursing Education
Louisiana State University Health
New Orleans School of Nursing
New Orleans, LA

Breaking Down Barriers: A Collective Impact Approach to Diversity in Nursing

Aron Anthony King, MS, RN
Assistant Nurse Manager
UC Davis Health
Sacramento, CA

Jason Ramos, MSN, RN, PHN
Assistant Nurse Manager
UC Davis Health
Sacramento, CA

12:30PM – 6:30 PM
NBNA and J&J Leadership Program
Funded by: Johnson & Johnson Center for Health Worker Innovation
Rooms 311 – 312, Third Floor / Invitation Only

2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Seizure Recognition and First Aid Certification
Stay.Safe.Side: Promoting Seizure First Aid Among Public Health Professionals
Sponsored by: The Epilepsy Foundation
Room 314, Third Floor
CE Session
Moderator:
Cynthia Bell, MSN, BSN, RN
Training Program Manager
Epilepsy Foundation, Oxon Hill, MD
Immediate Past President, Akron BNA, Lifetime Member
Akron, OH

Clinical Update
Uma Menon, MD, MBA, FACNS, FAES, FAAN, FANA
Chief, Division of Neurology
Department of Medicine, Neurology
Associate Professor
Faculty of Medicine
Moorhouse School of Medicine
Atlanta, GA

Seizure Recognition & First Aid Certification Training
Dr. Crystal Hagans, Dr.PH
Executive Director
Epilepsy Foundation
Indiana and Ohio
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Model for Healing and Change “Reckoning with Racism in Nursing”
Room 313, Third Floor
CE Program

Intergenerational Resilience: Lived experiences reckoning with healthcare for Black Women
Gayle Robinson, PhD, MN, BSN, RN
Assistant Professor at Seattle University
Seattle, WA

Protecting the Mental Health and Wellbeing of Black Women Who Experience Severe Maternal Morbidity
Lucinda Canty, PhD, RN, CNM, FACNM
Director
Seedworks Health Equity in Nursing Program
Associate Professor, University of Massachusetts
Amherst, Elaine Marieb College of Nursing
Amherst, MA

Why We Need to Talk About Racism, Stigma, and Mental Wellness
Gabrielle P. Abelard, DNP, PMHNP, PMHCNS-BC, RN, BSN, FNAP
Clinical Associate Professor
Graduate Program Director, Masters, Certificates
Psychiatric Mental Health Specialty
Elaine Marieb College of Nursing
University of Massachusetts
Chief Executive Officer at Abelard Psychotherapy
Stoughton, MA

Model for Healing and Change “Reckoning with Racism in Nursing”
Raeann LeBlanc, PhD, DNP, AGPCNP-BC, CHPN
Clinical Professor of Social Justice
Seedworks Endowed Clinical Associate
University of Massachusetts
Amherst, MA

Frankie Manning, MSN, BSN
Nurse Consultant
Department of Veterans Affairs
Veterans Affairs, Fort Lawton
Fort Lawton, WA

3:00 PM – 6:00 PM
NBNA Conference Buddy Meet-UP & Networking
Mentoring in the Moment (MIM)
Rooms 208 – 210, Second Floor
Sponsored by: Encompass Health and GEHA
Moderator:
Kendra T. Greene, MSN, MBA/HCM, RN, CCM
Sr. Consultant
Optum
Atlanta, GA
Chair, NBNA Mentorship Program
Atlanta Black Nurses Association

Getting the Best Out of Your Mentoring Experience
Marie O. Etienne, DNP, APRN, FNP, FNP, PLNC
Professor
Miami Dade College, Benjamin Leon School of Nursing
Miami, FL
Miami Chapter-Black Nurses Association

Angela Allen, PhD, EdS, MAT, BSN, EA, CCRN, RN
Clinical Research Program Director
Banner Health/Arizona State University
Phoenix, AZ
Black Nurses Association Greater Phoenix

Stephanie A. Patterson, JD, DNP, MBA, MSN, MPA, RN, PMHNP-BC, FNP-BC
Landmark Health
Cerritos, California
NBNA Board Member
Council of Black Nurses-Los Angeles

Kim Scott, MSN, MBA, RN
Service Unit Manager, Chronic Conditions Management
Kaiser Permanente-East Bay, Oakland CA
Oakland, CA
Bay Area Black Nurses Association

3:30 PM – 5:30PM
Credentialling
Rooms 304 – 305, Third Floor

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM
New Members Orientation
Rooms 309 – 310, Third Floor

4:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Chapter Development
Room 315, Third Floor
THURSDAY, AUGUST 3

6:00 AM – 7:00 AM
Morning Hustle:
Life can come at you fast, be prepared to tackle it with this up-tempo aerobics class that will motivate, encourage and prepare you physically and mentally for the challenges life brings.

Nikisha S. Jones, MSN, NP-C
Advanced Heart Failure
ISSA Certified Group Fitness Instructor
Bring your water and towel to all sessions!

Crystal Ballroom

6:30 AM – 7:45 AM
CEU Breakfast Session
Plated Breakfast
Salon East, Second Floor
Sponsored by: GSK
Non-CE Session

Vaccination Disparities Among Adolescents: A Case Study

Moderator:

Tiffany Mond, PharmD
Senior Medical Science Liaison
US Medical Affairs, Vaccines
GSK

Iyabode Akinsanya-Beysolow, MD, MPH, FAAP
Immunization Subject Matter Expert
YB Consultants

Tosin Olaiya, MBChB, MSc
Medical Director
US Medical Affairs Vaccines
GSK

6:30 AM – 7:45 AM
CEU Breakfast Session
Plated Breakfast
Salon West, Second Floor
Sponsored by: Leukemia and Lymphoma Society
Non-CE Session

Disparities in the Black and African American Population and Survivorship of the Disease

Moderator:

Bernadine “Midge” Julun-Jacobs, BSN, RN
Chapter President Southeast Texas BNA
Southeast Texas BNA NBNA Lifetime Member
Port Arthur, TX
Support Resources and Services for Patients with a Blood Cancer: A Comprehensive Overview of The Leukemia and Lymphoma Society

Keisha Johnson, MPH  
Manager, Patient and Community Outreach  
The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

Bryon Daily  
National Community Outreach Manager  
Myeloma Link  
The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society

7:30 AM – 5:00 PM
NBNA Office  
Room 203, Second Floor

7:30 AM – 5:00 PM
NBNA Registration Office  
Room 201, Lobby Level

7:30 AM – 5:00 PM
NBNA Registration  
Grand Ballroom Foyer, Second Floor

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM
Continental Breakfast  
Grand Ballroom Foyer, Second Floor

7:30 AM – 10:00 AM
NBNA Business Meeting /  
Chartering of New Chapters  
Grand Ballroom, Second Floor

2023 NBNA Business Meeting (Members Only)

Delegates, make sure you are wearing your delegate ribbon and have your assigned number sheet with you.

■ Seating of the Delegates  
Dr. Martha A. Dawson, NBNA President/CEO

■ Credentialing Report  
Ms. Sasha DuBois, MSN, RN, NBNA Secretary

■ Adoption of the Standing Rules and Voting Procedures  
Lovene Knight, PhD, MSN, MBA, RN, CPHQ, NBNA Parliamentarian

■ Adoption of the Agenda  
Dr. Martha A. Dawson, NBNA President/CEO

■ Approval of 2022 Minutes  
Ms. Sasha DuBois, NBNA Secretary

■ Report of the 2022 Elections  
Dr. Lovene Knight, Chair, Ad Hoc Committee on Elections

■ Officers Report  
Dr. Martha A. Dawson, NBNA President/CEO  
Dr. Sheldon D. Fields, NBNA First Vice President  
Dr. Marcia Lowe, NBNA Second Vice President  
Ms. Sasha DuBois, NBNA Secretary

■ Standing Committees Reports  
Dr. Eric J. Williams, NBNA Conference Chair  
Rev. Dr. Evelyn Collier-Dixon, Chair, Bylaws Committee  
Ms. Sasha DuBois, Secretary; Chair, Resolutions Committee  
Dr. Sheldon D. Fields, Chair, Finance Committee  
Dr. Marcia Lowe, Chair, Membership Committee  
Dr. Mary L. Kelly, Chair Personnel Committee  
Dr. C. Alicia Georges, National Black Nurses Foundation, Inc.

■ 2023 NBNA Chartered Chapters  
Dr. Martha A. Dawson, President/CEO, National Office Update and questions from the members

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2023 Chartering of New Chapters  
Guests may attend.

Dr. Martha A. Dawson, NBNA President/CEO  
Dr. Marcia Lowe, 2nd VP and Membership Chair

2023 NBNA Chartered Chapters  
Black Nurses Association of Maryland Eastern Shore  
Hudson Valley New York Black Nurses Association  
(Guests are excused from the business meeting.)
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Speaker Ready Room
Room 205, Second Floor

10:30 AM – 12:30 PM
Plenary Session I
Grand Ballroom, Second Floor
CE-Session
Sponsored by: Duke University School of Nursing, MetroHealth System, Stanford Health Care

The Built Environment: The New Frontier for Transforming Health, Wealth, and Community Spaces in Communities of Color

Moderator:
Janice Phillips, PhD, RN, CENP, FAAN
Director of Nursing Research and Health Equity Nursing Administration
Rush University Medical Center
Chicago, IL
NBNA National Conference Program Chair

Panelists
Michelle Y. Williams, PhD, MSN, RN
Executive Director, Office of Research
For Patient Care Services and Nursing
Stanford Health Care
Menlo Park, CA

Vincent Guilamo-Ramos, PhD, MPH, LCSW, RN, ANP-BC, PMHNP-BC, FAAN
Dean & Professor
Duke University School of Nursing
Vice Chancellor Nursing Affairs, Duke University
Durham, NC

Airica Steed, EdD, MBA, RN, CSSMBB, FACHE, IASSC
President and Chief Executive Officer
The MetroHealth System
Cleveland, OH

Bentina Chisolm Terry, JD
Senior Vice President
Customer Strategy Solutions
Georgia Power
Atlanta, GA

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
NBNA Poster Session
Galleria, Lower Level

Health Equity: Improving Access to Care through Mobile Health

Jerrica Victoria Ampadu, PhD, RN
Associate Professor and Director of the We Care Clinic
Edwardsville School of Nursing
Southern Illinois University
Edwardsville, IL

Amelia Perez, PhD, RN
Edwardsville School of Nursing
Associate Professor and Department Chair
Southern Illinois University
Edwardsville, IL

Knowledge, Attitudes, Intentions, And Behaviors Related to Cervical Cancer Prevention and Ghanaian American Women’s Engagement In Cervical Cancer Perception, Prevention Activities

Angela Adjetey Appiah, PhD, DNP, MPH, RN, COA, FAACM
Adjunct Clinical Assistant Professor
Nursing and Health Science Programs
Pace University
Tappan, NY

Innovation in Maternal Nutrition

Kamila Barnes, DNP, RN, FNP-C
Nurse Practitioner
Barnes Health Affiliates, LLC
Laurelton, NY

A Doula’s Role in the Black Maternal and Infant Health Crisis

Charity Sade Bean, CMA, Doula, CLC, CBA, SRN, CHW
Black Maternal & Infant Health Advocate
Doula Bean Maternal Care
Belleville, IL

Exploring the Perceptions of Black Pre-Professional Birthing People on Maternal Health in the United States in a Post Roe Society

Kailey Beckford, SN
School of Nursing
University of Pittsburgh
Pittsburgh, PA
Addressing the Issue: Health Disparities, Inequities, and Social Determinants of Health Among Blacks/African Americans

Jami Smith Brown, DHEd, MSN, RN, CNN
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Assistant Professor
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Memphis, TN

E-Learning Sickle Cell Trait Counseling Program for Rural Health Department Nurses

Audrey R. Cole, RN, MSN, CPON
RN Health Educator
Hematology Department
St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital-Memphis, TN

Yvonne Carroll, JD, RN
Director of Patient Services
Hematology
St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital
Memphis, TN

Building the Foundation for an Inaugural Nursing Director for Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Role

Sheniece LaToya Martin-Stancil-El, DNP, RN, CNL
Nursing Director for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Nursing Practice Administration
University of Rochester Medical Center
Rochester, NY

Care Models Implemented in Correctional Medicine to Improve Patient Outcomes

Aisha Parnell, MSN, RN
Director of Nursing-Correctional Medicine
MetroHealth-Correctional Medicine
Cleveland, OH

Asha Sethuraman, MS, CDCA
Quality and Accreditation Specialist
MetroHealth Correctional Medicine
Cleveland, OH

Optimizing Health Literacy in a School Based Setting

Jamiya Price, CRNA
Lankenau Medical Center
Wynnewood, PA

Clarissa Collier, MSN, BSN, RN
School Nurse
School District of Philadelphia
Feltonville Intermediate School
Philadelphia, PA

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM
NBNA Nursing Innovation Theater
Exhibit Hall, Galleria Lower Level
Sponsored by: Aurinia Pharmaceuticals
Non-CE Session

Moderator:
Kim Scott, MSN, MBA, RN
Speaker, Leader, Author, Mentor
Immediate Past NBNA Collaboration Mentorship Program Chair, Past President
Bay Area Black Nurses Association, Inc.

Legislative Town Hall on Lupus

A live discussion about lupus and the kidneys!

Representative Kim Schofield
Georgia House of Representatives
Atlanta, GA

Health Disparities and Clinical Outcomes in Lupus Nephritis

Dr. Nnaemezie E. Odioemene, Nephrologist
President/Co-Founder
Utopian Healthcare
Atlanta, GA

Gabrielle
Patient Opinion Leader
Orlando, FL

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Exhibit Hall Grand Opening
Galleria, Lower Level
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
NBNA Nursing Innovation Theater
So, You Want to be a FAAN!

Room 212, Second Floor

**Moderator:**
Wallena Michelle Gould, EdD, CRNA, FAANA, FAAN
Founder & CEO
Diversity in Nurse Anesthesia Mentorship Program
Mickleton, NJ

A Body of Work and the FAAN Process: Let’s Talk

Eric J. Williams, DNP, RN, CNE, ANEF, FAAN
Immediate Past President, National Black Nurses Association, Inc.
Interim Associate Dean, Health Sciences Nursing Program Director
Santa Monica College
Santa Monica, CA

Rowena Elliott, PhD, MSN, BSN, AGNP, FAAN
Professor of Nursing
College of Nursing
Emory University
Atlanta, GA

2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
NBNA Nursing Innovation Theater
LPN/LVN Forum

Room 214, Second Floor
Sponsored by: Herzing University

**Moderator:**
Sabrina Newton, LPN
Nurse Care Coordinator
Amida Care
Hudson Valley New York BNA

Nursing Career Pathways and Opportunities for LPNs

Sarah E. Higgins, MBA, M.A. Ed.
Multi-Campus President
Atlanta & Birmingham
Herzing University

Birth Doula Program Improves Maternal Health and Disparities Facing at Risk Mothers

Dawndra L Jones, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN
Chief Nursing Officer, VP Patient Care Services
UPMC Magee Women’s Hospital
Pittsburgh, PA

Beth Quinn, MSN, RNC
Sr. Director Women’s Health Operations
UPMC Magee Women’s Hospital
Pittsburgh, PA

A Doula’s Role in the Black Maternal and Infant Health Crisis

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Belleville, IL

Cultivating Inter-Professional Relationships with End-of-Life Doulas

Ottamissiah Moore, BS, RN, WCC, DWC, CHPN, Nurse Educator
Bridgepoint Healthcare
Washington, DC

2:30 PM- 3:30 PM
NBNA Nursing Innovation Theater
Sponsored by: Moderna
Non-CE Session

mRNA Vaccines: Addressing Myths, Misconceptions and Strategies to Increase Vaccine Confidence

**Moderator:**
Linda Washington-Brown, PhD., EJD, APRN-C, PNP, FNP, ANP, FAAN, FA AN
Oceania University of Medical School, 2nd Year American Nurses Association, Minority Fellow, Alumna
Post-Doctoral Fellow, University of Pennsylvania, Center for Women, Children, and Families, Alumna
Director, Florida Nurses Association South Region Education, Research, and Vaccinations Clinical Coordinator, Caring Place Clinic
Hollywood, FL
Miami Chapter Black Nurses Association

Carol Jenkins Neil, PhD, RN
Professor Florida State College of Nursing
Immediate past President First Coast Black Nurses Association

CJ Marbley, BSN Chief
Operation Officer
New Orleans East Hospital, LCM Health
New Orleans, LA
New Orleans, Black Nurses Association

Carter Todd, MS, MBA, RN, CCRN
Assistant Nurse Manager
Kaiser Permanente Roseville
President, Capitol City Black Nurses Association
Sacramento, CA
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM
Plenary Session II
Grand Ballroom, Lobby Level
Sponsored by: Pfizer, Inc.
Non-CE Session

Health Equity in Action: Optimal interventions to systemic drivers of racial health inequities

Health equity in health facilities is crucial for improving overall health outcomes and reducing health disparities. Health Equity involves giving people what they need, when they need it, and in the amounts that they need to achieve their optimal levels of health. This session will discuss the role of healthcare facilities and delivery systems in advancing health equity, including addressing social determinants of health, promoting patient-centered care, and creating workforce pathways to increase diversity in healthcare occupations.

Moderator:
Niesha Foster
Vice President Global Health & Social Impact
Co-lead of Pfizer's Multicultural Health Equity Collective

Panelist:
Martha A. Dawson, DNP, RN, CHE, FAAN, FACHE, President, NBNA
Associate Professor and Sparkman Global Health Center Scholar
University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Nursing

Sheldon D. Fields, PhD, RN, FNP-BC, AACRN, FAAN, FNP, FAAN NBNA
First Vice President
Associate Dean for Equity and Inclusion and Research Professor
The Pennsylvania State University College of Nursing

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM
NBNA Choir Rehearsal
Room 306, Third Floor

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
NBNA Chapter Line-up
Salon West, Second Floor

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Opening Ceremony
Grand Ballroom, Second Floor
Presenter of Opening Ceremony
M.J. Collier, Jr, MD, FAAFP
Medical Director
President/CEO
Atlanta West Primary Care Associates
Atlanta, GA

Presentation of Chapter Presidents and Delegates
Presentation of Past Presidents
Presentation of NBNA Board of Directors
Moderator of the Opening Ceremony
Sheldon D. Fields, PhD, RN, CRNP, FNP-BC, AACRN, FAAN, FNAP, FAAN
NBNA First Vice President, Founder and Past President
Greater New City York Black Nurses Association
Brooklyn, NY

Presentation of the Uniformed Service Cadre
United States Army (USA) 14 June 1775
United States Navy (USN) 13 October 1775
United States Marine Corps (USMC) 10 Nov. 1775
United States Coast Guard (USCG) 4 August 1790
United States Public Health Service (USPHS) 1798
United States Air Force (USAF) 18 September 1947
United States Space Force (USSF) 20 December 2019

Cynthia Bell, MSN, BSN, RN
NBNA Historian
Past President, Akron Black Nurses Association
Akron, OH

National Anthem of the United States of America
Presentation of the Flags and Honor Guard
Atlanta Fire Department Honor Guard
Atlanta, GA

Invocation
Pastor Chadwick Ricks, MSN, RN
Past President, Council of Black Nurses, Los Angeles

Negro National Anthem
Veronica Hayes
Atlanta, GA

Welcome from the National Conference Chair
Eric J. Williams, DNP, RN, CNE, ANEF, FAAN
Chair, National Conference Committee
Council of Black Nurses, Los Angeles
Los Angeles, CA

Welcome from the National Conference Program Chair
Janice Phillips, PhD, RN, FAAN
Chair, National Conference Program Committee
Chicago Chapter National Black Nurses Association
Chicago, IL

Welcome from the Local Chapter President
Arkeealaue L. Henderson MSN BSN ACRN AMB-BC
President, Atlanta Black Nurses Association, Inc
Atlanta, GA
Welcome from the Local Chapter Conference Chair
Laurie C. Reid, RN, MS Atlanta Black Nurses Association, Inc
Atlanta, GA

Welcome and Introduction of Honored Guests, Sponsors, Corporate Roundtable Members
Sheldon D. Fields, PhD, RN, CRNP, FNP-BC, AACRN, FAAN, FNAP, FAAN
NBNA First Vice President
Founder and Past President Greater New York City Black Nurses Association
Brooklyn, NY

Introduction of the NBNA President
Eric J. Williams, DNP, RN, CNE, ANEF, FAAN
Immediate Past President
Chair, National Conference Committee
Los Angeles, CA

Presidential Address
Martha A. Dawson, DNP, MSN, RN, FACHE, FAAN
NBNA President/CEO

Introduction of the Keynote Speaker
Martha A. Dawson, DNP, MSN, RN, FACHE, FAAN
NBNA President/CEO

Keynote Address:
DEI Forever! Black Nurses, We Need You Now.
Keynote Speaker:
Karen Nelson, EMBA
Vice President of Inclusion and Community Impact
Herzing University
Milwaukee, WI

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 4**

**RED DRESS DAY!**

**6:00 AM – 7:00 AM**
Morning Strength:
*Equip your body with the tools it needs to perform daily activities. You will use your own body weight to the tunes of female R&B artists to strengthen your muscles.*

Nikisha S. Jones, MSN, NP-C
Advanced Heart Failure
ISSA Certified Group Fitness Instructor
Bring your water and towel to all sessions!
Crystal Ballroom

**6:30 AM – 7:45 AM**
Breakfast Session
Plated Breakfast
Salon West, Second Floor
Sponsored by: Movement is Life
CE Presentation

Moderator:
Brenda Ross Swilley, PhD, RN, COHN-S
Assistant Professor
Texas Woman’s University
The Houston J. and Florence A. Doswell College of Nursing
Metroplex Black Nurses Association-Dallas, Treasurer
Mansfield, TX

Operation Change: A Non-Profit Community Program THAT WORKS!!!

Carla M. Harwell, MD
Vice Chair, Movement is Life
Associate Professor of Medicine
Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine
Cleveland, OH

**6:30 AM – 7:45 AM**
CEU Breakfast Session
Plated Breakfast
Salon, East First Floor
Sponsored by: Abbott Nutrition
Non-CE Session

Moderator:
Pamela Bowen, PhD, CRNP, FNP-BC, BBA
Associate Professor, UAB Lifetime Member
Birmingham Black Nurses Association
Birmingham, AL

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_Guest Information:_
- **Morning Strength:** Bring your water and towel to all sessions.
- **Breakfast Session:** Plated Breakfast.
- **Operation Change:** A Non-Profit Community Program THAT WORKS!!!
Diabetes Specific Oral Nutritional Supplements and Continuous Glucose Monitoring (CGM): Addressing Disparities

Anniece Spencer, DNP, APRN, FNP-C, BC-ADM
Medical Science Liaison
Abbott Diabetes Care
Alameda, CA

7:30 AM – 4:00 PM
NBNA Summer Youth Enrichment Institute
Continental Breakfast
Rooms 309 - 310, Third Floor
Sponsored by: Google, Atlanta Headquarters

Moderator:
Yuvonne Martin, BSN, APRN, MPH, D.Div. (Honor)
NBNA Youth Institute Coordinator
Miami Chapter National Black Nurses Association

7:30 am – 8:00 am: Registration
8:00 am – 9:30 am: Breakfast and Service Project Packing. The bus leaves Google immediately after Project packing is complete.
11:30 am: Lunch at Google
12:30 pm: Transportation to Painting with a Twist
3:30 pm: Depart for return to the Hotel
4 – 5:00 pm: The Period Project Presentation

Thanks to CVS Health for their support of the NBNA Service Project

8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
NBNA Conference Registration
Second Floor Foyer

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
NBNA Office
Room 203, Second Floor

8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Speaker Ready Room
Room 205, Second Floor

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
NBNA Student Connect Forum: National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) Workshop
Continental Breakfast
Non-licensed Students Only
Rooms 301 – 303, Third Floor

Moderator:
Darnell Dordain Caldwell, BSN, RN
ASAP Nurse
New Orleans East Hospital
New Orleans, LA
New Orleans BNA

NBNA Student Connect:
Next Generation NCLEX Forum

JoLisa Bumpers
NBNA Student Nurse Representative
Herzing University
Birmingham, AL
Birmingham Black Nurses Association

Necessary Workshops
Whole Brain Learning

Marye Kellermann, PhD, CRNP, FAANP, DEGN, CNE, CHSE
President Educational Enterprises Inc.
NECESSARY NP Reviews

Necessary Workshops
Preparing the Nurse Graduate for the NCLEX

Karen Rawls, PhD, MSN/ED RN
CEO Health Education Learning Programs, Inc. (HELP)
Vice President Atlanta Black Nurses Association

8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
INSTITUTES
Please note: To receive CE credit for each session, you must be present for the full length of the session, no partial credit will be given. You will be given a code to log in when you arrive and a code to log out when the session is completed.

ADVOCACY: ENGAGING YOUR COMMUNITY
Room 208, Second Floor

Moderator:
Louise Aurélien-Buie, EdD, APRN, NP-C, PMHNP-BC
Assistant Dean of Executive and Continuing Education and Academic-Practice Partnerships
Associate Professor, Florida Atlantic University, Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing
Lifetime Member, Palm Beach County BNA
West Palm Beach, FL

Increasing infection prevention and control through social media platforms

Erma Jean Smith-King, PhD, MBA, MPH, RN, CNE, ACUE
Assistant Professor
North Carolina Central University
Central Carolina Black Nurses’ Council, Inc., Apex, NC

Helen Horton, BSN, RN
Retired
Central Carolina Black Nurses’ Council, Inc.
Garner, NC
Nursing Ministry of Health and Healing: A wholistic approach to community engagement
Constance Brown, BSN, RN, CCM
Director of Clinical Care Management
Shepherd’s Hope, 455 9th Street
Winter Garden, FL
Jennifer Sankey, PhD, MHA, BSN, RN, CPPS
Director of Health Ministry
Southeastern Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists
Mount Dora, FL

The Impact of African American Nurses: How the Implementation of a Community-Based Model Increased Vaccination Rates in Marginalized Communities in NYC
Selena A Gilles, DNP, ANP-BC, CNEcI, FNYAM
Associate Dean
Rory Meyers College of Nursing
New York University
New York, NY
Julius Johnson, DNP, FNP-BC, FAANP
Associate Professor
Rory Meyers College of Nursing
New York University
New York, NY

BarberED Then Screened: Disrupting the Colorectal Cancer Disparity in Urban Black Men
Wilhelmina Sizer, DNP, RN, ACNP-BC, FNP-BC
Nurse Practitioner
New York, NY

Brain Health Equity: Prevention, Education and Resources for African American Nurses
Trudy Renee Gaillard, PhD, RN, CDCES, FAHA
Associate Professor
Florida International University
Miami, FL
Charlene DeNyse Whitaker-Brown, DNP, MSN, FNP-C, PMHNP-BC, CHFN
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School of Nursing and Gerontology Program
Honors Faculty UNC Charlotte
College of Health and Human Services, School of Nursing
University of North Carolina Charlotte
Charlotte, NC

Creating a Path Forward: Inclusive Representation in Clinical Trials for Alzheimer’s Disease and All Other Dementia
Peggye Dilworth-Anderson, PhD
Professor Health Policy & Management
Gillings School of Global Public Health,
University of North Carolina- Chapel Hill (UNC).
Chapel Hill, NC

BRAIN HEALTH: EQUITY FOR ALL STAGES OF LIFE
Room 214, Second Floor
Moderator:
Jacqueline Miller, MSN, RN
Metroplex Black Nurses Association
Dallas, Membership Chair
Lifetime Member, Metroplex BNA-Dallas
Dallas, TX

EDUCATING THE NEXT GENERATION OF THE NURSING WORKFORCE
Room 213, Second Floor
Moderator:
Becky Small, Ed.D., MSN, RN
Academic Dean Nursing, Dallas College
Lifetime Member, Metroplex Black Nurses Association
Dallas, TX

The Impact of Psychosocial Factors on the Physical and Mental Healthcare Utilization among First and Non-First-Generation College Students
Sabrina Lane Dickey, PhD, MSN, RN
Associate Professor
College of Nursing
Florida State University
Tallahassee, FL

Developing and Implementing an Interprofessional Education Scholars Program for Nursing and Medical Students Focused on Social Determinants of Health
Selena A Gilles, DNP, ANP-BC, CNEcI, FNYAM
Associate Dean
Rory Meyers, College of Nursing
New York University
New York, NY

Health-Related Quality of Life and Caregiving Stressors in Family Caregivers of Persons Living with Dementia
Tessy George, PhD, RN
Clinical Placement Coordinator
Georgia Baptist College of Nursing
Mercer University
Atlanta, GA
Addressing Health Disparities and Inequities by Identifying Racial/Ethnic Gaps in the Nursing Workforce at the State, Regional and Parish/County Level

Cynthia Bienemy, PhD, RN
CEO and Lead Researcher
All Things Professional LLC Healthcare Workforce Research and Consulting
Zachary, LA

Examining Student Preparation for Advancing Care in A Diverse Society: A Qualitative Study on Curricular, Clinical, and Cocurricular Alumni Experiences

Abraham Ndiwane, EdD, RN
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MGH Institute of Health Professions
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The Minority Doctoral Nurse Pipeline: Considerations, Preparations, and Strategies to Facilitate Success in the Doctoral Program Experience for Minority Nurses

Lukeythia Alice Bastardi, DNAP, CRNA
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Krystal Raquel Privette, DNP, CRNA
Assistant Professor, Nurse Anesthesia
School of Nursing
Rosalind Franklin University
North Chicago, IL

Nursing Excellence: Promoting Positive Outcomes Through Certification

Kendra T Greene, MSN, MBA/HCM, RN, CCM
Sr. Consultant
Optum
Atlanta, GA

Marie Etienne, DNP, APRN, FNP, FNP, PLNC
Professor
Benjamin Leon School of Nursing
Miami Dade College
Miami, FL
Miami Black Nurses Association

HEALTH POLICY INSTITUTE
Room 212, Second floor

Moderator:
Celia McIntosh, DNP, RN, FNP-BC, PMHNP-BC, CCRN, CEN, SCRN, CNRN
Rochester General Hospital-Rochester Regional Health
Rochester, NY
Member NBNA Health Policy Committee

History of Race in Medicine and Its Influence on Patient Care

Sherveen Riazati, PhD
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Division of Research, Patient Care Services
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Stanford Health Care
Palo Alto, CA

Carol Yoon, MSSW
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Addressing the Issue: Health Disparities, Inequities, and Social Determinants of Health Among Blacks/African Americans

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Racial Justice and In Equity in Nursing

Karen F Rawls, PhD, MSN/Ed, RN
Nurse Educator
Lawrenceville, GA

Achieving Health Equity: Principles, Education, Equity, and Pathways (PEEP)

Lindsey Michelle Harris, DNP, RN, FNP-BC
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
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Special Assistant to the Dean for Health Policy Initiatives, Indiana School of Nursing  
Indiana University  
Indianapolis, IN

Vivienne Pierce McDaniel, DNP, MSN, RN  
Professor of Nursing  
Aspen University  
Richmond, VA

MANAGING CHRONIC DISEASE AND THEIR CONSEQUENCES

Sheila Haley, PhD, MSN, RN, CFN  
Assistant Clinical Professor  
Texas Woman’s University  
The Houston J. and Florence A. Doswell College of Nursing  
Lifetime Member  
Denton, TX

Carolyn Harmon Still, PhD, MSM, MSN, ARNP, AGPCNP-BC, FAAN  
Associate Professor  
Case Western Reserve University, Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing  
Cleveland, OH

Perceived Discrimination and Blood Pressure Control in African American Patients

Sandy Cayo, DNP FNP BC  
Professor  
Yale University  
West Haven, CT

The Plant Protocol: The Efficacy or Taking a Whole Food Plant Based Approach to Combating Diabetes Mellitus II

Lisa Angel Smith, MBA  
Plant Based Health and Business Coach  
The Black Health Academy  
Detroit, MI

Enhancing Weight Loss Among Black Adult Participants in a Faith-based Diabetes Prevention Program

Lovoria B. Williams, PhD, APRN, BC, FAANP, FAAN  
Associate Professor  
University of Kentucky  
Lexington, KY

Addressing Disparities in Diabetic Foot Ulcers (DFUs) Prevention and Treatment

Yvette Conyers, DNP, MS, RN, FNP-C, CTN-B, CFCN,CFCS  
Clinical Associate Professor  
School of Nursing  
George Washington University  
Washington, DC

PREPARATION AND RETAINING THE NEXT GENERATION OF LEADERS

Benita N. Chatmon, PhD, MSN, RN, CNE  
Assistant Dean for Clinical Nursing Education; LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans  
New Orleans Black Nurses Association, Corresponding Secretary  
New Orleans, Louisiana

Mamie Williams, PhD, MPH, APRN  
Sr. Director Nurse Diversity and Inclusion  
Nurse Executive Administration  
Vanderbilt University Medical Center  
Nashville, TN
Rolanda Johnson, PhD, RN  
Associate Dean for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion  
Professor  
Vanderbilt School of Nursing  
Vanderbilt University  
Nashville, TN  

**Mentor Training as an Intervention to Improve Retention and Preparation for Leadership Roles for Black Nurses**

Lavern Lorraine Sleugh-Sharpe, MS, RN  
Instructor of Clinical Nursing  
School of Nursing  
University of Rochester  
Rochester, NY  

Mitchell Wharton, PhD, RN  
Associate Professor of Clinical Nursing  
School of Nursing  
University of Rochester  
Rochester, NY  

Leveraging Black Leadership in the Profession of Nursing

Linda J Washington-Brown, PhD, EJD, MSN, PNP, ANP-C, FNP, FAAN  
Clinical and Research Coordinator  
Caring Place Clinic  
Hollywood, FL  

Chadwick Ricks, MSN, BSN, RN  
Clinical Operations  
Providence St. Joseph (Northern California)  
Burbank, CA  

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WOMEN AND MATERNAL HEALTH INEQUIITIES

Room 304, Third Floor  

**Moderator:**  
Tiffany M. Montgomery, PhD, RNC-OB, C-EFM  
Manager/Perinatal Quality  
Lifetime Member, Metroplex BNA-Dallas  
Dallas, TX  

Development, Validation and Testing of the Barriers to Stillbirth C Identification Tool

Natasha Nurse-Clarke, PhD, RN  
Associate Professor  
School of Nursing  
Lehman College, City University of New York  
Bronx, NY  

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Does the Black Tax Influence Health Outcomes of Black Women and their Sexual Partners?  
Mona Hassan, PhD, RN  
Assistant Professor  
College of Nursing  
Prairie View A&M University  
Houston, TX  

Faye Gary, EdD, MS, RN, FAAN  
Distinguished University Professor  
Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing  
Case Western Reserve University  
Cleveland, OH  

Intergenerational Resilience: Lived experiences reckoning with healthcare for Black Women

Gayle Robinson, PhD, MN, BSN, RN  
Assistant Professor, Tenure Track  
University of Seattle Washington  
Seattle, WA  

Closing the Lactation Gap in the Black Community through Advocacy

Kimberly Regis, DNP, RN, NEA, PNP  
Vice President of Operations and Chief Nurse Executive of Ambulatory  
Nationwide Children’s Hospital  
Columbus, OH  

Jelila Agbembia, BSN, RN, CPN, CLC  
Program Coordinator and Certified Lactation Consultant for Newborn Services  
Nationwide Children’s Hospital  
Columbus, OH  

Implement Breast, Cervical Cancer, HPV Clinical Prevention for Women of Descent

Angela Adjetey Appiah, PhD, DNP, MPH, RN, COA, FAACM  
Senior Director of Nursing Oncology Services  
Nursing and Health Science Programs  
Pace University  
Tappan, NY  

11:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Exhibit Hall Open and Career Fair  
Galleria, Lower Level  

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
NBNA Nursing Innovation Theater  
Galleria, Lower Level  
Sponsored by: Pfizer, Inc.  
Non-CE Session
A Next-Generation Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine to Help Protect All Eligible Adults

**Moderator:**
Edward Johnson  
Pfizer, Inc.

Frances Ferguson, MD, MPH, FACP  
Practicing Physician  
Albany Area Primary Health Care  
Albany, GA

**12:30 PM – 2:00 PM**

**NBNA Luncheon**  
International North, Second Floor  
*Sponsored by: Gilead Sciences*

Non-CE Session

**Real Talk: Mastering the Art of Conversation with Patients on Sexual Health and HIV**

**Moderator:**
Tavell L. Kindall, PhD, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC, AACRN, AAHIVS, FAANP
Director of HIV Prevention and Treatment, St Thomas Community Health Center  
President, Louisiana State Board of Nursing

**PANELISTS:**

Ayana Elliott, DNP, APRN, FNP-C, AAHIVS, NEA-BC
Medical Director of Community Medicine  
Los Angeles LGBT Center

LaRon E. Nelson, PhD, RN, FNP, FNAP, FNYAM, FAAN
Associate Dean for Global Affairs & Planetary Health Independence Foundation Associate Professor, Yale School of Nursing

**1:00 PM – 4:00 PM**

**POSTER SESSION**  
Galleria, Lower Level

**2:00 PM – 4:00 PM**

**Career Fair**  
Exhibit Hall / Salon C, Lower Level

**2:30 PM – 3:30 PM**

**NBNA Nursing Innovation Theater**  
Galleria, Lower Level  
*Sponsored by: Janssen Pharmaceutical, Inc.*

Non-CE Session

**Moderator:**
LaShawn Richard, BSN, RN  
Metroplex Black Nurses Association-Dallas  
Lifetime Member  
Dallas, TX

The Impact of Health Disparities on Care in Peripheral Artery Disease (PAD)

Keturah Robinson, PharmD, BCPS, LSSBB
Regional MSL Field Director - Central Region  
Medical Insights and MSL VOC National Team Field Director  
Medical Science Liaison/Health System Manager  
National Liaison  
CVM Medical Affairs, Medical Science Liaison Team  
Janssen Pharmaceutical, Inc.

**2:30 PM – 3:30 PM**

**Veterans Nearing the End of Life – Distinct Needs and Specialized Care**

**Room 207, Second Floor**  
*Sponsored by: VITAS Healthcare*

**Moderator:**
Trilby Barnes, BSN, RN-BC  
Telephonic Triage Nurse  
Care Coordination Center  
Ochsner Hospital  
New Orleans, LA

Veteran Liaison  
Bereavement Manager  
VITAS Healthcare of Atlanta  
Atlanta, GA

**3:30 PM – 4:30 PM**

**Plenary Session, III**  
Salon West, Second Floor

**Identifying and Addressing Disparities in Heart Health and Mental Health**  
*Sponsor by: CVS Health*

**Non-CE Session**

**Moderator:**
Paula Harris Thompson, RN  
Executive Director of Quality and Compliance  
Aetna/CVS Health

Anish Patel, MD  
Lead Medical Director  
Medical Affairs  
CVS Caremark

Jill Carlton, MS, LCMHC, NCC  
Senior Clinical Strategist  
Clinical Strategic Initiatives  
Aetna

Courtney Jordan Baechler, MD, MS, FACC  
Medical Director  
Health Equity and Health Promotion  
Minneapolis Heart Institute Foundation
4:30 PM - 6:30 PM
NBNA Choir Rehearsal
Room 306, Lobby Level

8:00 PM - 11:00 PM
Denim & Diamonds
Doors Open at 7:30 pm
Salon East, Second Floor
Sponsored by: Wellstar Health

NBNA Fund Development Presents: Denim & Diamonds
A Night of Music and Lyrics with A Purpose
Featuring
Regina - Jazz & Neo-Soul Artist
Atlanta, GA
Hank Stewart - Poet Laureate
Poet Laureate for the 4th Congressional District
Atlanta, GA
Attire: Denim & Diamonds
Ticket cost: $50
Proceeds benefit the Dr. Lauranne Sams Scholarship Fund & NBNA Programs

Enjoy your evening!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6
WEAR BLUE DAY!
6:00 AM - 7:00 AM
Morning Release:
Calm your mind and soul with meditation and stretch. This practice will help you prepare your mind and spirit as you welcome the start of a new day.
Nikisha S. Jones, MSN, NP-C
Advanced Heart Failure
ISSA Certified Group Fitness Instructor
Bring your water and towel to all sessions!
Crystal Ballroom

6:30 AM - 7:45 AM
Exploring Disease and Disparities for African Americans Living with Multiple Myeloma
Salon East, Second Floor Level
Sponsored by: Bristol Myers Squibb
Non-CE Session
Edith P. Mitchell, MD, MACP, FCCP, FRCP
Director of the Center to Eliminate Cancer Disparities
Clinical Professor of Medicine and Medical Oncology
Enterprise Vice President for Cancer Disparities
Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center
Jefferson Health
Philadelphia, PA

7:30 AM - 8:00 AM
Third Annual Men’s Bow Tie Breakfast Institute
Rooms 301 – 303
Registration required

8:00 AM - 11:00
Plated or Buffet Brunch
Rooms 304 – 305, Third Floor
Sponsored by: HIV Vaccine Trials Network (HVTN)
Fred Hutchison Cancer Research Center
Welcome and Introductions
Kendrick T. Clack, MS, APRN, FNP-C, AACRN, AAHIVS
Chair, NBNA Men’s Bow Tie Breakfast Institute
Nurse Practitioner/Sub-Investigator
Crofoot MD Clinic and Research Center
Houston, TX
Invocation
Chad Ricks, DNP(c), MSN, ACHE, RN
Regional Medical Director – West (California)
Los Angeles, CA
8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
WOKSHOPS
Room 208, Second Floor
ADDRESSING HEALTH CARE DISPARITIES IN CHILDREN’S HEALTH CARE
Moderator:
Jennifer Coleman, Ph.D., RN, CNE, COI
Professor
Moffett & Sanders School of Nursing, Samford University
Birmingham Black Nurses Association
Birmingham, AL
Room Monitor:
Victoria Jordan Smith, MSN, RN, CMSRN
Birmingham Black Nurses Association
Birmingham, AL
Application of ADAPT-ITT: Adapting an Evidence-Based HIV/STI Mother-Daughter Prevention Intervention for Black Male Caregivers and Girls.
Natasha Crooks, PhD, RN
Assistant Professor
Human Development Nursing Science
University of Illinois, Chicago
Chicago, IL
Addressing Healthcare Disparities Through Targeted Healthcare Educational Interventions for Children in Underserved Areas
Tedra S. Smith, DNP, CPNP-PC, CNE, CHSE
Associate Professor
University of Alabama at Birmingham
Birmingham, AL
Theresa Rodgers, DNP, CPNP-AC/PC
Retired Nurse Practitioner
Children’s of Alabama
Birmingham, AL

8:00 AM – 10:00 PM
IDENTIFYING AND ADDRESSING THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH
Room 214, Second Floor
Moderator:
Carolyn Scott, RN, BSN, MAET, SSGB
Principal Consultant, Stop Loss Clinical Oversight Solution
Mercer
Atlanta Black Nurses Association
Atlanta, Georgia
Room Monitor:

Renee Hickman, LPN
Rheumatology Nurse
WellStar Health System
Atlanta Black Nurses Association
Atlanta, GA

Binge Eating Support Group for African American Women

Tieshia Ann DuRant, DNP, FNP-C
Family Nurse Practitioner
Optum House Calls
Greensboro, NC

Promoting Exercise as a Medication Across the Lifespan

Pamela G. Bowen, PhD, RN, CRNP, FNP-BC
Associate Professor
School of Nursing
University of Alabama at Birmingham
Birmingham, AL

Public Health, Preparation, & Practice: Human Trafficking at a Glance

Shelitha R Campbell, DNP, RN, MSN, BSN, APRN, FNP-BC, PHN
FNP Program Director, Assistant Professor
Graduate Division, FNP Program
College of Nursing
Samuel Merritt University
Oakland, CA

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
INNOVATIONS IN DEVELOPING A MULTIGENERATIONAL WORKFORCE
Room 311, Third Floor

Moderator:

Erica Henderson, DNP, RN, CCTC
Nurse Residency Program Manager
Grady Memorial Hospital
Atlanta Black Nurses Association
Atlanta, Georgia

Room Monitor:

Evelyn C. Miller, BSN, RN
Retired Nurse
School Health Nursing (Morehouse College)
Atlanta Black Nurses Association
Atlanta, GA

Changing the Culture and Engaging a Multicultural/Multigenerational Workforce by Building Relationships to Achieve Great Outcomes

Jewel Ann Adams, MSN RN FNP NEA-BC
Director of Nursing
Saint Barnabas Hospital
Bronx, NY

STAND-UP: SC-An Innovative Program to Enhance Diversity and Inclusive Excellence in the Nursing Workforce

Karen Worthy, PhD, MPH, RN, CNE
Associate Professor
College of Nursing
University of South Carolina
Columbia, SC

Coretta Melissa Jenerette, PhD, RN, AOCN, CNE, ANEF, FAAN
Professor & Associate Dean for Diversity, Equity, & Inclusivity
College of Nursing
University of South Carolina
Columbia, SC

The Power of Reflection: Finding the Meaning in Nursing Again

Angel Amaura McCullough, DNP, RN, MBA, NEA-BC
Director of Patient Care Services
Thomas Jefferson University Hospitals
Philadelphia, PA

Advancing inclusive teaching and learning for health equity: Creating the ‘Culture Box.’

Kechi Iheduru-Anderson, DNP, RN, CNE, CWCN
Professor and Nursing Program Director
Central Michigan University
Mount Pleasant, MI

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
POST COVID-19: THE IMPACT ON OUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM
Room 310, Third Floor

Moderator:

Lynn Houston Bell, PhD, RN
Faculty
Capella University
Atlanta Black Nurses Association
Atlanta GA

Room Monitor:

Sarah McClean, BSN, RN
Atlanta Black Nurses Association
Atlanta, GA
The Racial Disparities of Long COVID Syndrome
Gwendolynn D. Randall, PhD, CRNA, APRN
President
Royal Palm Beach, FL

Nursing Post COVID-19: Implications for Nursing Practice and Education
Rosiland Harris, DNP, RN, RNC, ANPD-BC, ACNS-BC, APRN
Nurse Educator
Sirrah Health Group, LLC
Atlanta, GA
Karen F. Rawls, PhD, MSN/Ed, RN
Nurse Educator
Georgia Nurses Association
Lawrenceville, GA

The Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on the Academic Performance, Level of Knowledge, and the Health and Well-being of Students on an HBCU Campus
Birthale Archie, DNP, MSN, BS, RN
Assistant Professor
Department of Nursing
Bowie State University
Bowie, MD

Dysautonomia and COVID-19 in the Black Community: We fall, but get up.
Celia McIntosh, DNP, RN, FNP-C, PMHNP-BC, CCRN, CEN, SCRN, CNRN
Nurse Practitioner
Neuroscience Department
Rochester Regional Health
Rochester, NY

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT EQUALS HEALTH EQUITY
Room 212, Second Floor
Moderator:
Wendy Sawyer, MSN, RN
Retired Army Nurse Corps
Concerned National Black Nurses, CSRA
Augusta, GA
Room Monitor:
Casandra B. Rainge, MSM, BSN, RN
Supervisory Clinical Nurse
DDEAMC, Defense Health Agency
Concerned National Black Nurses, CSRA (President)
August, GA

Banishing the Elephant in the Healthcare Room: 21st Century Health Equity Models, Infrastructure, Strategies, and Tactics
Michelle Y. Williams, PhD, MSN, RN
Executive Director, Office of Research
For Patient Care Services and Nursing
Stanford Health Care
Menlo Park, CA
Dale E. Beatty, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, Caritas Coach®
Chief Nurse Executive & Vice President of Patient Care Services
Stanford Health Care
Palo Alto, CA

The Nuts and Bolts of Health Equity: A Built Environment of Attributes, Antecedents, and Meaning
Chrystal L. Lewis, PhD, RN
Nurse Scientist
Office of Research Patient Care Services
Stanford Health Care
Menlo Park, CA
Michelle Y. Williams, PhD, MSN, RN
Executive Director of Health Equity and Research
Office of Research Patient Care Services
Stanford Health Care
Menlo Park, CA

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
THE POWER OF MENTORING TO CREATE WORKFORCE DIVERSITY IN A FUTURE NURSE LEADER
Room 213, Second Floor
Moderator:
Jackie Williams, PhD, RN
Advance Practice Nurse, PMH
Alameda Health System
Atlanta Black Nurses Association
Atlanta, GA
Room Monitor:
Pat Johnson-Gunder, RN
Staff Nurse
Westbury Nursing and Rehabilitation Center
Atlanta Black Nurses Association
Atlanta, GA
You RAISE Me Up: Mentoring High School Future Leaders to Increase Diversity in Nursing

Stephanie Sarah Schechter, BSN, RN, PCCN-K
School of Nursing
University of Rochester
Rochester, NY
NBNA Mini Nurse Academy

Jennifer J. Coleman, PhD, RN, CNE, COI
Professor
Moffett & Sanders School of Nursing
Samford University
Birmingham, AL

Loretta T Lee, PhD, RN, CRNP, FNP-BC, CNE
Associate Professor & Department Vice Chair
School of Nursing
University of Alabama at Birmingham
Birmingham, AL

Summer Health Institute for Nursing Exploration and Success: Pathway to a Bright Future

Patricia Fernandez, MAT
Assistant Director of the SHINES Program
School of Nursing
UC Davis, Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing
Sacramento, CA

Aron King, MS, RN
Assistant Nurse Manager II
UC Davis Health
Sacramento, CA

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM
THE ROLE OF NURSES IN PROMOTING POPULATION HEALTH
Room 209, Second Floor

Moderator:
Gaea A. Daniel, PhD, RN
Assistant Professor
Emory University
Atlanta Black Nurses Association
Atlanta, GA

Room Monitor:
Patty Palmer, MSN, RN
Nurse Surveyor
State of Maryland
Atlanta Black Nurses
Atlanta, GA

Challenges Impacting the Sustainability of Patient Navigation Programs

Angelo D. Moore, PhD, MSN, RN, NE-BC
Assistant Director, Community Outreach, Engagement, & Equity
Duke Cancer Institute
Durham, NC

Jennifer Greenwald, MPH
Senior Vice President, Patient Support Strategy & Operations
American Cancer Society
Kennesaw, GA

Raising Nursing Voices in Support of Environmental Justice

Jessica Mengistab, BSN, RN
Program Manager, Climate & Clean Energy
Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments
Mt. Rainier, MD

Model for Healing and Change “Reckoning with Racism in Nursing”

Raeann LeBlanc, PhD, DNP, AGPCNP-BC, CHPN
Seedworks Endowed Clinical Associate Clinical Professor of Social Justice
University of Massachusetts Amherst
Amherst, MA

Frankie Manning, MSN, BSN
Nurse Consultant
Department of Veterans Affairs
Veterans Affairs, Fort Lawton
Fort Lawton, WA

10:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Exhibit Hall Open
Galleria, Lower Level

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM
Barbershop Health Talk
Rooms 304 – 305, Third Floor

Sponsored by:
New Orleans East Hospital, LCMC Health
Association of Organ Procurement Organizations (AOPO), LifeLink of Georgia
Life Center Cincinnati, Versiti, Donor Alliance, The Association for Multicultural Affairs in Transplantation (AMAT), Sierra Donor Services, Infinite Legacy, LifeSource, Live On NY, and The Decision Project
NBNA’s Barbershop Health Talks presents: Cut for a Cause - The Life Saving Power of Organ Donation

Moderator:
M.J. Collier Jr., MD, FAAFP
Medical Director
President/CEO
Atlanta West Primary Care Associates
Hip Hop Doctor, “Your Health is Important”
Atlanta, GA

Panel:
Bobby Howard
Kidney Recipient; Director of Multicultural Donation Education Program
LifeLink of Georgia
Atlanta, Georgia

Michael Clay
Director of Family Services
DCI Donor Services
Nashville, Tennessee

C.J. Marbey, BSN, MBA, RN
Chief Operating Officer & Chief Nursing Officer
New Orleans East Hospital, LOMC Health
New Orleans, Louisiana

Arthur D. Vaughn, Ed.D, M Acc, MPA
Retired Executive Director (Disabled following 2019 Heart Transplant)
Morehouse School of Medicine
Marietta, GA

Corey Sims, MEd
Barber
TRU Kingz Barber Shop
Winder, GA

12:30 PM – 1:00 PM
Grand Raffle
Galleria, Lower Level

1:30 PM – 4:30 PM
NBNA Awards Ceremony
Salon West, Lobby Level

AWARDS PROGRAM
Presentation of Community Service Awards
Chapter Community Service Awards
   Dr. Rebecca Harris-Smith, Chair, NBNA Program Committee
   Sponsored by: VITAS Healthcare
Presentation of Individual Membership Campaign Awards
   Dr. Marcia Lowe
   Chair, NBNA Membership Committee and Second Vice President

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   Dr. Marcia Lowe
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Presentation of the Scholarship Awards
   Dr. Angelo Moore
   Chair, Scholarship and Awards Committee

Presentation of the Nurses of the Year Awards
   Sponsored by: VITAS Healthcare
   Dr. Angelo Moore
   Chair, Scholarship and Awards Committee

Presentation of the Under Forty Awards
   Sponsored by: VITAS Healthcare
   Dr. Rebecca Harris-Smith
   Chair, Under Forty Awards and Member, NBNA Board of Directors

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3:30 PM – 4:30 PM
NBNA Choir Rehearsal
Room 306 Third Floor

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Lifetime Member Photo
Salon West, Second Floor

7:00 PM – 11:00 PM
President’s Gala
Grand Ballroom, Second Floor

Presentation of the NBNA Presidential Awards
   Dinner and Dancing
   6:30 pm Doors Open

Invocation
   Rev. Chadwick Ricks
   Council of Black Nurses, Los Angeles
   Los, Angeles, CA

Dinner and Dancing

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

7:30 AM – 9:30 AM
Ecumenical Service
Salon, Second Floor

Moderator:
Reverend Evelyn Collier Dixon
Chair, NBNA Ecumenical Service
Chicago Chapter National Black Nurses Association

Call to Worship
Pastor Chadwick Ricks
Council of Black Nurses, Los Angeles
Los Angeles, CA

Sermon
Pastor Wendy Smith Martin
Greater Victory Christian Church
Atlanta, GA

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Brunch and Closing Session
Grand Ballroom, Second Floor

Moderator:
C. Alicia Georges, EdD, RN, FAAN
5th President of the National Black Nurses Association
Living Legend American Academy of Nursing

Acknowledgement of the 2023 Lifetime Members
Dr. Marcia Lowe
Chair, NBNA Membership Committee
Birmingham Black Nurses Association

Introduction of the President
Dr. Eric Williams
Chair, National Program Committee
Immediate Past President, NBNA
Council of Black Nurses, Los Angeles

Introduction of Closing Keynote Speaker
Dr. Martha Dawson
NBNA President, CEO

Closing Keynote Presentation
Professional Mentorship: Aspiring to New Heights
Mary Gullatte, PhD, RN, ANP-BC, AOCN, LSSYB, FAAN
Corporate Director Nursing Research and Evidence Based Practice
Emory Healthcare Inc
Atlanta, GA

Outgoing Gifts to NBNA Board Members and Nominating Committee
Dr. Martha A. Dawson
NBNA President, CEO

Installation of New Officers, New Board Members and Nominating Committee
Lovene Knight, PhD, MSN/ED, MBA, RN, CPHq
NBNA Parliamentarian
Council of Black Nurses, Los Angeles

Passing of the Presidential Medallion and Gavel
Outgoing Presidential Remarks
Incoming Presidential Remarks

12:00 PM – 1:00 PM
Post Conference Board of Directors Meeting
Crystal Ballroom, C&D, Lobby Level

We will look forward to seeing you in Florida
July 28 – August 2, 2024 at the Diplomat Hotel,
Hollywood, Florida
CLEVELAND COUNCIL OF BLACK NURSES, INC. WANTS TO EXTEND HEARTFELT JOY AS WE CONGRATULATE NBNA ON HOSTING THEIR 51ST ANNUAL CONFERENCE! KEEP GOING STRONG!

ABNA joins NBNA in celebrating 51 years of service to the community of nursing.
President Lucille Woodard,
Vice President Ida Fuselier,
Secretary Jeanine Thomas,
Treasurer Vashun Rodgers,
Financial Secretary Phyllis Rodgers,
Parliamentarian Sharonda Johnson,
Historian Natasha Washington,
and Iris Malone Past President.

Columbus Georgia Metro Black Nurses Association
Columbus, Georgia

Congratulates NBNA on Fifty-One Years of Excellence in Nursing Leadership.
THE NATIONAL BLACK NURSES ASSOCIATION, INC. was organized in 1971 under the leadership of Dr. Lauranne Sams, former Dean and Professor of Nursing, School of Nursing, Tuskegee University, Tuskegee, Alabama.

- NBNA is a non-profit organization incorporated on September 2, 1972 in the state of Ohio.
- NBNA represents approximately 200,000 African American nurses from the USA, Canada, Eastern Caribbean and Africa, with 111 chartered chapters nationwide.
- NBNA mission is to provide a forum for collective action by African American nurses to represent and provide a forum for Black nurses to advocate for and implement strategies to ensure access to the highest quality of health care for persons of color.
- NBNA is committed to excellence in education and conducts continuing education programs for nurses and allied health professionals throughout the year. The association provides annual scholarships for student members.
- NBNA collaborates with private and public agencies/organizations that share common concerns for improving the health status of all people, particularly African Americans and other minority consumers.
- NBNA publishes its Newsletter four times a year: Spring, Summer, Fall, and Winter; and the Journal of NBNA twice a year: Spring/Summer and Fall/Winter.
- NBNA convenes an Annual Institute and Conference in the summer of each year. The Annual Institute and Conference features the most prominent speakers in nursing and health care.
EXHIBITORS

BOOTH #129
ABBVIE

AbbVie has invested $50 Billion in research to discover, develop and deliver new medicines. AbbVie targets diseases with significant unmet need where the standard of care can be improved with innovative new therapies. AbbVie is constantly working to create solutions that go beyond treating the illness to have a positive impact on patients’ lives, on societies and on science itself. AbbVie’s commitment to health doesn’t stop with our medicines. Serving communities through philanthropy and our commitment to creating a work environment that values diversity and inclusion is part of the AbbVie DNA.

BOOTH #302
African High Fashion

Women apparel and accessories

BOOTH #368
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality’s mission is to produce evidence to make health care safer, higher quality, more accessible, equitable, and affordable, and to work within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and with other partners to make sure that the evidence is understood and used.

BOOTH #109
Alcorn State University School of Nursing

Public Health Informatics Technology (PHIT)

BOOTH #414
All of Us

The All of Us Research Program is calling on you to share information about your health, lifestyle and environment. It is a nationwide program with a simple mission: to speed up health research and medical breakthroughs. To do this, they are asking one million or more people from all backgrounds. Appointments are available on a first come, first serve basis!

BOOTH #462
Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments

The Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments is a national nursing organization focused solely on the intersection of health and the environment. The mission of the Alliance is to promote healthy people and healthy environments by educating and leading the nursing profession, advancing research, incorporating evidence-based practice, and influencing policy.

BOOTH #210
American Association of Nurse Anesthetists

The American Association of Nurse Anesthesiology (AANA)

Be a nurse, Be a nurse anesthetist. The profession of nurse anesthesia needs and welcomes future Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists (CRNAs) from all cultural backgrounds to bring their unique attributes to the profession. AANA represents more than 59,000 CRNAs and students. Visit www.aana.com

BOOTH #112
Alzheimer’s Association

The Alzheimer’s Association leads the way to end Alzheimer’s and all other dementia by accelerating global research, driving risk reduction and early detection.

BOOTH #204
American College of Education

American College of Education (ACE) is an accredited, online college with programs in education, business, leadership, healthcare and nursing. Headquartered in Indianapolis, ACE offers over 70 programs for adult students to pursue a doctorate, specialist, master’s or bachelor’s degree, along with micro-credentials and graduate-level certificate programs. ACE.edu
BOOTH #342
American Diabetes Association
The American Diabetes Association (ADA) advocates for people with diabetes to have affordable insulin, access to technology, access to adequate health care to avoid serious complications and so much more. Learn how patients can advocate for themselves and information about our new obesity program for children and adults, Project Power.

BOOTH #110
American Nurses Credentialing Center
ANCC's Advanced Practice Initiatives & Certification Outreach Team is here to support APRNs and specialty nurses throughout the professional and academic nursing journey. Certify multiple nurses within your organization or university by unitizing our ANCC Success Pays® program. Visit our Certification page for more details.

BOOTH #114
AMGEN

BOOTH #324
ATI Nursing Education
ATI Nursing Education is the leading provider of online instruction, remediation, analytics, and consulting solutions that deliver superior learning outcomes, enhance faculty effectiveness, and support the growth of nursing programs across the country.

BOOTH #438
Atlantic Health System
Atlantic Health System is powered by a workforce of over 19,000 team members, 3,800 Registered Nurses, and 4,800 affiliated physicians across 5 hospital sites, 400 practice locations, a home care, and an ambulance/helicopter fleet. Our system has been named to Fortune’s “Top 100 Best U.S. Companies to Work For” list.

BOOTH #410
Augusta University College of Nursing
Augusta University College of Nursing: The mission of the Augusta University College of Nursing is to provide leadership through excellent and innovative nursing education, research, practice, and service in diverse environments and to promote health, healing, and well-being of individuals, families, and communities in any healthcare setting.

BOOTH #119
Aurinia Pharmaceuticals

BOOTH #206
Bay Area Black Nurses Association
Educational and Medical Information regarding the networks for promoting and informing our nursing communities on the necessity for universal health care initiatives nationwide.

BOOTH #356
Baylor Scott & White Health
Baylor Scott & White Health is the largest not-for-profit healthcare system in Texas with more than 52 hospitals, 800 access points, a quality health plan, an award-winning research institute and 12 Magnet-designated locations. At Baylor Scott & White, you'll be joining a team that's committed to better.

BOOTH #216
BK Royston Publishing LLC
BK Royston Publishing is a 15-Year old full service publishing company which provides coaching and consulting services as well as the sale of high quality books for enjoyment and information for all ages.
Black Myeloma Health by HealthTree Foundation

HealthTree’s Black Myeloma Health Initiative:
1) Awareness - Blacks are twice as likely to receive a myeloma diagnosis
2) Education - teaching the Black community about MM
3) Outreach – partnering with others to enlighten about diseases that affect us
4) Advocacy - empowering myeloma patients to overcome health disparities

Boston Children’s Hospital

With more than 40 clinical departments and 258 specialized clinical programs, Boston Children’s is one of the largest pediatric medical centers in the United States. We provide complete range of health care services for children of all ages, and in some cases, we offer fetal interventions and treatments for adults.

Bristol Myers Squibb

Bristol Myers Squibb is a leading global biopharma company focused on discovering, developing and delivering innovative medicines for patients with serious diseases in areas including oncology, hematology, immunology, cardiovascular, fibrosis and neuroscience. Our employees work every day to transform patients’ lives through science.

Campaign for Tobacco Free Kids

For more than 25 years, the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids has fought to protect children and save lives from the #1 cause of preventable death: tobacco use. Our vision is a future free of death and disease caused by tobacco. Come find out more about the fight against Big Tobacco!

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, CMS, is part of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). CMS administers many critical programs including: Medicare, Medicaid, the Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and the Health Insurance Marketplace.

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For over 130 years, Chamberlain University has been a pioneer in healthcare education. Home to the nation’s largest nursing school, Chamberlain offers degree programs online and on campus in nursing, public health and social work.

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BOOTH #218
Cna Skills Booklet - 22 Steps to Pass State Test
Textbook on CNA skills with 22 guidelines in helping to pass the state test.

BOOTH #464
CVS Health
At CVS Health, we share a clear purpose: helping people on their path to better health. We’re pioneering a new approach to total health. Making quality care more affordable, accessible, simple and seamless, to not only help people get well, but help them stay well in body, mind and spirit.

BOOTH #312
Defense Health Agency Civilian Medical Corps
Practice alongside other civilian and military health care professionals at locations across the U.S. and around the world and experience the unique professional opportunities and benefits that can be found with the Defense Health Agency. DHA is comprised of civilian health care professionals employed by the U.S. Government.

BOOTH #362
Taking Action: Top 10 Priorities to Promote Health Equity and Well-Being in Nursing
Gaea A. Daniel, PhD, RN

BOOTH #121
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BOOTH #510
Duke University Health Systems
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BOOTH #478
Duke University School of Nursing
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BOOTH #508
Emory University School of Nursing
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BOOTH #336
Encompass Health
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BOOTH #326
Epilepsy Foundation
The mission of the Epilepsy Foundation is to lead the fight to overcome the challenges of living with epilepsy and to accelerate therapies to stop seizures, find cures, and save lives.
**BOOTH #208**

**Erlanger Health**

Erlanger Health is an academic teaching facility based in Chattanooga, Tennessee. Erlanger Health provides compassionate care for residents of the four-state region including: southeast Tennessee, north Georgia, north Alabama, and western North Carolina. Erlanger Health is home to the region’s only Level 1 Trauma Center and Level IV Neonatal ICU.

**BOOTH #306**

**Fantabela**

Fantabela is a multicultural fashion line rooted in West African goodness with a mission to support, uplift and empower the disenfranchised fashion artisans.

**BOOTH #366**

**Florida Atlantic University**

Florida Atlantic University Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing is the international preeminent leader in advancing caring science through its dynamic, innovative caring-based education, research, scholarship and practices. We offer nationally-ranked academic programs and certificate courses to our students who are improving the lives of patients in our communities.

**BOOTH #514**

**Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center**

Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center is an independent, nonprofit cancer treatment and research center based in Seattle. Fred Hutch operates eight clinical care sites and is the only National Cancer Institute-designated cancer center in Washington.

**BOOTH #107**

**Fred Hutchinson Cancer Center Recruiting**

**BOOTH #374**

**Frontier Nursing University**

Frontier Nursing University offers community-based distance education programs to nurses who wish to become nurse-midwives and nurse practitioners. FNU offers Doctor of Nursing Practice and Master of Science in Nursing degrees as well as post-graduate certificates in advanced practice nursing specialties including nurse-midwifery, family nursing, women’s health and psychiatric-mental health.

**BOOTH #444**

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**BOOTH #320**

**Graceland University**

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**BOOTH #516**

**Grady Health Systems**

**BOOTH #103**

**Grand Canyon University**

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**BOOTH #436**

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**BOOTH #518**

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**NARCAN | NBNA Substance Misuse Committee**

In August 2016, the National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) formed the Ad Hoc Committee on Substance Use Disorders to educate its nurses on the harmful effects of tobacco and other addictive substances (e.g., opioids). The goal was to equip members with knowledge related to addictive substances, mainly tobacco, and to advocate for effective evidence-based patient care. Committee members are dedicated to addressing the harmful effects of drugs linked to substance use disorders in communities of color. For example, from 2019-2020, the overdose death rate for Black/African Americans increased by 44% (CDC, 2022). As members of NBNA, we recognize the importance of advocating for marginalized members of society and collaborating to reduce inequalities. Visit booth #344 for Narcan Administration training and receive a free Narcan kit after training to help combat the rising opioid epidemic and potentially save lives. NBNA’s Ad Hoc Committee on Substance Use Disorders in conjunction with the Georgia Harm Reduction Coalition is providing the training and kits as a service to the members of NBNA.

**NBNA End-of-Life Care Ad Hoc Committee**

The End-of-Life Care Ad-hoc (EOL) committee of the National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) is dedicated to educating the local community to help NBNA define its strategic orientation regarding palliative and hospice care. The black community has historically underutilized hospice and palliative care; removing these barriers may increase enrollment.

**Network of the National Library of Medicine, Region 2, Regional Medical Library**

The Network of the National Library of Medicine (NNLM) Region 2 Regional Medical Library is housed at the Medical University of South Carolina in Charleston. Our office provides access to trusted health information, funding, education, and training opportunities with FREE membership.

**Nurseify**

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Booth #358

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**BOOTH #127**

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**BOOTH #404**

**PAN Foundation**

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**BOOTH #422**

**Parkland Health & Hospital**

The hospital averages more than 1 million outpatient visits annually. Services include a Level I Trauma Center, the only verified burn center in North Texas and a Level III Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. The system also includes 22 community-based clinics, including primary care and women's clinics, 12 school-based clinics and numerous outreach and education programs. Parkland is the primary teaching hospital for the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center.

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**BOOTH #106**

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**BOOTH #408**

**Reinhardt University Cauble School of Nursing**

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**BOOTH #113**

**Rutgers University - School of Nursing**

**BOOTH #314**

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BOOTH #440
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BOOTH #330
Seattle Children’s
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BOOTH #108
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BOOTH #372
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BOOTH #432
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BOOTH #500
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BOOTH #304
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BOOTH 310
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BOOTH #460
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**BOOTH #133**

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**BOOTH #446**

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**BOOTH #370**

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**Booth #450**

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**Booth #338**

Western Governors University

**Booth #350**

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