



Mid-Year Assembly

April 6 - 10, 2019

Grand Hyatt Washington
1000 H St. NW
Washington, DC 20001

Preliminary Program

Safe and effective anesthesia **CARE** for every patient.

Purpose of Mid-Year Assembly:

- Prepare AANA members to effectively advocate on Capitol Hill for protecting and advancing CRNA practice and reimbursement
- Coordinate communication of professional advocacy across states and regions
- Develop professional advocacy skills and healthcare policy understanding that promotes CRNA leadership at the national level and in professional practice

Accreditation Statements:

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Your feedback is very important to the AANA for planning future meetings.

Friday, April 5, 2019

3:00 – 6:00 PM **Registration**

3:00 – 6:00 PM **Capitol Hill Packet Pickup (Federal Political Directors Only)**

Saturday, April 6, 2019

Check website or Mobile App **AANA Board of Directors Meeting (Open Session Time TBD)**

7:00 -5:00 PM **Registration**
Capitol Hill Packet Pickup (Federal Political Directors Only)

2:00 – 3:00 PM **Civics 101: Points of Influence in the Federal Lawmaking Process- Beginner Advocates Track (1 Class A CE)** JP Mason
Learner Outcomes:
1. Understand the roles of staff within a Congressional office in order to effectively advocate for CRNA issues.
2. Understand the various influence a lawmaker may have on issues affecting CRNAs, based on the lawmakers' roles and status in Congress.

2:00 – 3:00 PM **Deep Dive: Legislative and Regulatory Challenges and Opportunities for CRNAs – Advanced Advocate Track (1 Class A CE)** Ralph Kohl, BA
Learner Outcomes:
1. Understand the policy implications and status of legislation/pending legislation introduced in the U.S. House and Senate and how to communicate the CRNA position to lawmakers and staff.
2. Identify emerging regulatory challenges and opportunities.

3:00 – 3:15 PM **Break**

3:15 – 4:15 PM	<p>Preparing for the Opposition- Ways to Deal with Push-back and How to Craft Counter-Arguments – Beginner Advocates Track (1 Class A CE)</p> <p>Learner Outcomes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify potential push-back arguments related to your organization’s legislative requests. 2. Identify and recognize multiple responses for each kind of argument. 3. Understand what to do if you get stuck or do not have an answer to an argument ready. 	Christopher Kush, MPP
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3:15 – 4:15 PM	<p>Advanced Lobbying Strategy: Leading a Meeting, Creating an Authentic Narrative and Handling Hostile Offices – Advanced Advocates Track (1 Class A CE)</p> <p>Learner Outcomes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Understanding of the conditions required to build trust quickly with hostile offices. 2. Understand how to lead a lawmaker meeting, rather than just “participating” in one. 3. Identify the elements of authentic narrative and how to develop and use it when communicating with elected officials. 	Amy Showalter, MSA
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4:15 – 4: 30 PM	Break	
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4:30 – 5:30 PM	<p>Your Questions Answered: Student & Beginner Advocates Unplugged- Beginner Advocate Track (1 Class A CE)</p> <p>Learner Outcomes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Examine how and why SRNAs and CRNAs can and should get involved in federal advocacy now. 2. Identify the services of the AANA Washington Office and AANA staff, as well as introduction to the CRNA-PAC. 3. Review federal policy issues governing nurse anesthesia practice, and practical aspects of delivering the AANA agenda to members of Congress. 4. Prepare attendees to continue their involvement with the political process after graduation. 	<p>Julie E. Linton, MSN, CRNA Alison Smiley, DNP, CRNA Margaret McDonell, RN, SRNA</p>
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4:30 – 5:30 PM	<p>Bringing Advocacy Home: Site Visits, Town Halls, Fundraisers, and Building New CRNA Advocates-Advanced Advocate Track (1 Class A CE)</p> <p>Learner Outcomes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify and map the right partners and unlikely allies. 2. Determine what to ask of partners- and what to let them ask you. 3. Understand methods for ensuring consistent messaging. 	Christopher Bender
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5:30 – 6:00 PM	<p>NBCRNA Update (.50 Class A CE)</p> <p>Learner Outcomes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify the current projects and activities of the NBCRNA. 2. Describe at least one new initiative of the NBCRNA. 	Mary Wojnakowski, PhD, CRNA
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Sunday, April 7, 2019

6:30 – 7:30 AM	<p>Anesthetists in Recovery (AIR) and Friends Open Support Meeting</p> <p>All are welcome to attend this open meeting to find addiction support, guidance, and hope or to learn more about substance use disorder (SUD) among anesthesia professionals. AIR (www.aana.com/air) is a national network of CRNAs and students registered nurse anesthetist in SUD recovery.</p>	
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7:00 - 4:30 PM	<p>Registration</p> <p>Capitol Hill Packet Pickup (Federal Political Directors Only)</p>	
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7:00 - 8:00 AM	Coffee with the AANA Board of Directors	
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7:00 - 3:15 PM	Exhibits	
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8:00 - 8:20 AM	AANA President Report	Garry Brydges, DNP, MBA, ACNP-BC, CRNA
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8:20 - 8:25AM	2019 Daniel F. Vigness Political Director of the Year Award Presentation	Garry Brydges, DNP, MBA, ACNP-BC, CRNA
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8:25 - 8:30 AM	2019 Award for Excellence in State Government Relations Advocacy	Debra Barber, DNP, APRN, CRNA
8:30 - 8:50 AM	AANA Chief Executive Officer Report	Randall Moore, DNP, MBA, CRNA
8:50 - 8:55 AM	AANA Treasurer Report	Heather Rankin, DNP, CRNA
9:00 - 9:10 AM	AANA CRNA-PAC & Foundation Report	Scott Shaffer, DNAP, CRNA Charles A. Griffis, PhD, CRNA
9:10 - 9:30 AM	Break	
9:30 - 10:30 AM	<p>The Future of Healthcare Policy in the United States: Making Progress in an Era of Political Discontent (1 Class A CE)</p> <p>Learner Outcome:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Understand the makeup of the federal budget and the potential implications for future of health care policy. 2. Identify the key factors impacting the future spending and cost drivers in the health care sector. 	G. William Hoagland, MS
10:30 - 11:30 AM	<p>Policy & Politics: What to Expect in the 116th Congress (1 Class A CE)</p> <p>Learner Outcomes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify priority issues and must-pass legislation for the 116th Congress. 2. Determine how best to advocate for the CRNA profession and patient giving competing priorities in the U.S. Congress. 	TBA
11:30 - 1:00 PM	Lunch on Own	

1:00 - 2:00 PM	<p>DC vs. Hollywood- Our Washington vs. Theirs / How Congress Really Works (1 Class A CE)</p> <p>Learning Outcomes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recognize research on successful interactions with elected officials. 2. Understand techniques for implementing results of research with elected officials. 	Bradford Fitch, MA
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2:00 – 2:15 pm	Break
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2:15 - 3:15 PM	<p>Get Political: Inside Elections (1 Class A CE)</p> <p>Learning Outcomes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Understand and outline an incredibly detailed, highly-nuanced analysis of the current condition of electoral politics, covering presidential politics and the House, Senate, and gubernatorial campaigns. 	Nathan Gonzales, MA
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3:15 - 4:15 PM	<p>Region Breakout Sessions</p> <p>Region 1 Breakout</p> <p>Region 2 Breakout</p> <p>Region 3 Breakout</p> <p>Region 4 Breakout</p> <p>Region 5 Breakout</p> <p>Region 6 Breakout</p> <p>Region 7 Breakout</p>
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4:15 - 5:30 PM	State Strategy Sessions
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6:30 - 10:30 PM	<p>CRNA-PAC Presents: A Night at the Kentucky Derby</p> <p>(Additional fee and ticket required. Buses leave at 6:15 PM for District Winery)</p>
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Monday, April 8, 2019

7:00 - 3:15 PM	<p>Registration</p> <p>Capitol Hill Packet Pickup (Federal Political Directors Only)</p>
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7:00 - 3:15 PM	Exhibits	
8:00 - 9:30 AM	Meet the Candidates with Refreshment Break	
9:45 - 11:15 AM	Introductions of 2020 Candidates and Board of Directors' Position Statements	
11:15 – 11:30 AM	Refreshment Break	
11:30 - 12:30 PM	Perspectives from the U.S. Congress (1 Class A CE) Learner Outcomes: 1. Understand the state of play of issues in the U.S. Congress. 2. Identify effective lobbying techniques for meeting with federal legislators in person.	Ralph Kohl, BA
12:30 – 2:00 PM	Lunch on Own	
1:00 – 1:45 PM	State Reimbursement Specialist (SRS) Meet & Greet	
2:00 – 3:00 PM	Put Your Knowledge to the Test: Mock Hill Visit Competition (1 Class A CE) Learner Outcomes: 1. Using CRNA priority issues, practice advocacy skills and receive feedback from a former legislator. 2. Learn how a Capitol Hill meeting is conducted, and the common pitfalls that can be prevented.	Ralph Kohl, BA Alan D. Wheat, BA
3:00 – 4:30 PM	Resolutions and Bylaws Hearing-Followed by Board of Directors Open Forum	
4:30 – 6:00 PM	State Networking Sessions	

Tuesday, April 9, 2019

8:00 - 9:00 AM **Capitol Hill Rally**

9:00 - 5:00 PM **Individual State Visits to Capitol Hill**
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Wednesday, April 10, 2019

9:00 - 4:00 PM **Individual State Visits to Capitol Hill**
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