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Sunday, April 17
Pre-Conference Day

9:30am-11:00am
— Track 1: NICHE Research: Part 1
  Track 2: Partner Summit: Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association (HPNA) & NICHE
  Track 3: Partner Summit: ANCC Pathway to Excellence® & NICHE
— Roundtables 1: Healthcare Across the Continuum

11:15am-12:45pm
— LTP Induction Lunch (Invitation Only)

1:00pm-2:30pm
— Track 5: NICHE Research: Part 2
  Track 6: Partner Summit: American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry (AAGP) & NICHE
  Track 7: Partner Summit: Emergency Nurses Association (ENA) & NICHE
— Roundtables 2: Safety

2:45pm-4:15pm
— Track 9: From Practice to Publication Workshop
  Track 10: Partner Summit: Advancing Excellence in Long-Term Care Collaborative (AELTCC) & NICHE
  Track 11: Partner Summit: National Osteoporosis Foundation (NOF) & NICHE
— Roundtables 3: NICHE Implementation

4:30pm-5:45pm
— Keynote: Eileen Sullivan-Marx, PhD, RN, FAAN, Dean, NYU College of Nursing

5:45pm-7:45pm
— Poster Reception
Monday, April 18
Conference Day 1

9:00am-10:15am
— Keynote: Arnie Cisneros, PT, President, Home Health Strategic Management

10:30am-12:00pm
— Site Innovations: Plenary: Safety

12:00pm-1:30pm
— Lunch Break
— Non-Member Lunch (Invitation Only)

1:45pm-3:15pm
— Breakout Sessions: Safety
  Track 1: Change Agents
  Track 2: Delirium
  Track 3: Falls
  Track 4: Mobility

3:45pm-5:15pm
— Breakout Sessions: NICHE Implementation
  Track 5: GRN: Role and Impact
  Track 6: Expanding the NICHE Footprint
  Track 7: Sustainability
  Track 8: Systems

Tuesday, April 19
Conference Day 2

9:00am-10:15am
— Keynote: Mary Naylor, PhD, FAAN, RN, Marian S. Ware Professor in Gerontology, Director of NewCourtland Center for Transitions and Health

10:30am-12:00pm
— Site Innovations: Plenary: Healthcare Across the Continuum

12:00pm-1:00pm
— Lunch Break

1:15pm-2:45pm
— Breakout Sessions: Healthcare Across the Continuum
  Track 1: Community Programs
  Track 2: ED
  Track 3: Infection
  Track 4: Transition Programs

3:15pm-4:45pm
— Discussion Panels: NICHE Levels
  Panel 1: Early
  Panel 2: Progressive
  Panel 3: Senior Friendly
  Panel 4: Exemplar

10:45am-12:15pm
— Breakout Sessions: Patient, Family, Caregiver
  Track 1: Advance Care Planning
  Track 2: Healthcare Acquired Conditions
  Track 3: Person Centered Care
  Track 4: Technology

12:30pm-3:00pm
— NICHE Coordinators Meeting

Wednesday, April 20
Conference Day 3

9:00am-10:30am
— Poster Awards
— 2017 NICHE Update
— Keynote: Susan Reinhard, PhD, RN, FAAN, Senior Vice President, AARP Public Policy Institute and Chief Strategist, Center to Champion Nursing in America

10:45am-12:15pm
— Breakout Sessions: Patient, Family, Caregiver
  Track 1: Advance Care Planning
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12:30pm-3:00pm
— NICHE Coordinators Meeting

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5:00pm - 8:00pm Speaker Check In (Registration, 7th Flr.)
7:30pm - 9:00pm Poster Setup (Grand Ballroom, 7th Flr.)

Pre-Conference Schedule, Sunday, April 17, 2016 (total contact hours: up to 7.5)
8:00am - 4:00pm Registration (7th Flr.)
8:00am - 1:00pm Poster Setup (Grand Ballroom, 7th Flr.)
9:30am - 11:00am Breakout Sessions
   - **Track 1 NICHE Research: Part 1** (Los Angeles, 5th Flr.)
     Allison Squires, PhD, RN, FAAN, Assistant Professor, Deputy Director, International Education & Visiting Scholars, NYU College of Nursing; Abraham Brody, PhD, RN, GNP-BC, Assistant Professor, Associate Director, Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing, NYU College of Nursing
   - **Track 2 NICHE-HPNA Collaboration: Maximizing Resources, Leveraging Expertise and Seizing Opportunities** (Clark, 4th Flr.)
     Sally Welsh, MSN, RN, NEA-BC, CEO, Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association; Loretta Matters, MSN, RN, Director, Duke NICHE, Duke University Health System, Duke University School of Nursing; Jennifer Gentry, MSN, RN, ANP BC, GNP, ACHPN, FPCN, Duke University Health System
   - **Track 3 Using our "NICHE" Journey on the "Pathway to Excellence"** (Denver, 5th Flr.)
     Patience Harris, BSN, RN, Senior RN Specialist, ANCC Pathway to Excellence®; Paulette Sepe, RN, MSN, CNL-BC, NICHE Coordinator, Broward Health Imperial Point
   - **Track 4 NICHE 101: Resources & Tools** (Grand Salon I, 7th Flr.)
     Eugenia Bachaleda, MA, Associate Director, Education and Resources, NICHE; Deirdre Carolan, PhD, ANP, BC, GNP, BC, Nurse Practitioner, Clinical Nurse Specialist, Geriatrics, Inova Fairfax Hospital
   9:30am - 11:00am Roundtable 1: Healthcare Across the Continuum
     (Halsted, 4th Flr.)
     - **Transitional Care: Transforming the Role of the Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) to Improve Outcomes for Older Adults in a Rural Community**
     Sandra Driscoll, MS, RN, GCNS-BC; Karen Coppin, MSN, RN, CCRN, North Carolina A&T State University
     - **Life-Space Mobility in Older Adults: A Descriptive Pilot Study from an Outpatient Rehab Clinic**
     Brian King, PT; Thomas Gleason, MS, MHR, OTR/L, UAB Hospital
     - **It's All in the Name: Journey to a Nurse Driven Bladder Bundle Protocol**
     Ann Hendrickson, MS, RN, ACNS-BC, Holy Spirit Hospital
     - **Connecting the Dots Across the Care Continuum: Acute to Post Acute**
     Catherine Ponder, RN, BSN; Sue Klotz, MS, BSN, RN-BC, St. Mary Mercy Livonia Hospital
     - **SE MI Multi-Health System, Cross-Continuum Sepsis Education Taskforce: A Community Collaborative Approach to Improve Sepsis Recognition and Management**
     Carrie Hays McElroy, RN-GerBC, MSN, ACM; Joan Michelle Moccia, DNP, ANP-BC, CCRN, St. Mary Mercy Livonia Hospital
     - **Up Times Three Improves Functional Mobility in the Elderly**
     Cynthia Presley, MSN, RN, CNL, PCCN; Sunny Johnson, BSN, RN, CMSRN, Texas Health Harris Methodist Hospital – Southwest

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9:30am - 11:00am Roundtable 1: Healthcare Across the Continuum (cont’d.)
(Halsted 4th Flr.)
From the Ground Up: The Implementation of a Transition Care Program and Its Impact in Hospital 30-day Readmissions, Cristiane L. Fukuda, ANP-BC, Northside Hospital
Improving Transitions of Care from Facility and Beyond!, Grace Matthews, MSN, RN-BC, University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics
A Structured Telephonic Transition Program for Heart Failure Patients, Julia Robinson, MSN, APRN, FNP-C, GCNS-BC, PHN, University of San Diego
Early Discharge Screening for Auto-Referral to Case Management Services: Implications in Predicting Readiness for Hospital Discharge, Maureen T. Greene, PhD, RN, ACNS-BC, ACNP-BC, Wheaton Franciscan Healthcare
Developing a Model of Care for Geriatric Oncology Nursing, Peggy S. Burhenn, MS, RN, CNS, AOCNS; Robert David Rice, PhD, RN, NP, City of Hope
Transforming Hospital to Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Hand Off Communication, Annette Brown, BSN, RN; Jean Douglas, RN, BSN, PHN, ACM, Eisenhower Medical Center
Clustering Care Promotes Sleep and Enhances Patient Satisfaction, Tracie Heckman, RN, MSN, CMSRN; Arielle Cratsenberg, BSN, RN, Lehigh Valley Health Network
Enhancing Care Transition through Technology: Warm Handoff Face Time Pilot, Vivina Maninang, MSN, RN-BC; Janice Summers, RN-BC, Presence Saint Joseph Medical Center
Skilled Nursing Facility Early Stroke Identification Education: The Effects on Staff Knowledge, Traci Thomas, BSN, RN, Eisenhower Medical Center; Susan Effinger, MSN, MHA, NE-BC, SCRN, California State University San Bernardino
Engaging Elders through Technology - It Works!, Joann Clough, RN, MAOM, UAB Hospital
End of Life Care – Nursing Perceptions and Implementation of Resources, Michele D. Blakely, MSN, RN-NEA, BC, Wake Forest Baptist Health
Extending a NICHE-Driven, Falls-Prevention Awareness Program into the Community, Marty Pond, MSN, RN-BC-Gerontology; Christopher Kowal, DNP, RN, CCRN-CMS-CSC, St. Joseph’s Hospital Health Center
Chaplains Supporting NICHE to Reduce Readmissions and Improve Patient Satisfaction, Rev. Ryusho Jeffus, MDiv, PBCC, Carolinas Healthcare System
Perioperative Risk Assessment in the Older Adult: Don’t Call It Surgical Clearance!, Cassandra Vonnes, MS, ARNP, GNP-BC, FAHA, Moffit Cancer Center

11:00am - 12:00pm Speaker Check In (Registration, 7th Flr.)
11:15am - 12:45pm LTP Induction Lunch, Invitation Only (Addison, 4th Flr.)
1:00pm - 2:30pm Breakout Sections

Track 5 NICHE Research: Part 2
(Los Angeles, 5th Flr.) Allison Squires, PhD, RN, FAAN, Assistant Professor, Deputy Director, International Education & Visiting Scholars, NYU College of Nursing; Abraham Brody, PhD, RN, GNP-BC, Assistant Professor, Associate Director, Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing, NYU College of Nursing

Track 6 American Association for Geriatric Psychiatry (AAGP) & NICHE: Geriatric Workforce - Who is Going to Take Care of Me When I Get Old?
(Clark, 4th Flr.) LalithKumar K. Solai, MD, Chief of Geriatric Psychiatry, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center; Shirley A. Conway, MSN, MBA, RN-BC, LNHA, Director of Inpatient Geriatric Initiatives & Manager Senior Adult Unit, Addison Gilbert Hospital; Michael Tarmey, MS, RN, Director of Operations for Behavioral Health Services, Northeast Hospitals, Lahey Healthcare

Track 7 Emergency Nurses Association (ENA) & NICHE: GENE: Putting into Practice and Implementation
(Denver, 5th Flr.) Marilyn Noettl, MS, RN, Emergency Nurses Association, Senior Associate, Institute of Emergency Nurse Education; Jeannie Burnie, MS, APRN, AGCNS-BC, CEN, Clinical Nurse Specialist, TriHealth Bethesda North Hospital
Track 8  NICHE 101: Measurement & Evaluation
(Grand Salon I, 7th Flr.)

1:00pm - 2:30pm Roundtables 2: Safety
(Halsted, 4th Flr.)

- Linking Delirium and Pressure Ulcers in MICU, Young Rhee Kim, BSN, RN-BC; Jessica M. Sebalos, RN, BSN, CEN, CPEN, TNCC, PFCCS, NYU Langone Medical Center
- The Out and About Program: Improving Mobility in Older Adults in the Acute Care Setting, Yolanda Shultz, MSN, RN, MS-BC; Anne Johnson, BSN; Karen Elliot, MHA, RN, MedStar Southern Maryland Hospital
- A More Detailed CAM Increases Nurse’s Identification of Delirium, Denise Lyons, MSN, RN, AGCNS-BC, FNGNA, Christiana Care Health System
- Confusion Assessment Method and Delirium Recognition: A System Wide Change, Melissa Mordecai, MSN, APN, ACNP-BC, CEN; Barbara J. Taylor DNP, RN-BC, APN-BC, CNE, Kennedy University Hospital
- SMILE to Prevent Delirium and Functional Decline, Valerie Short, MSN, RN, CMSRN, CNL; Joselyn Wright, MSN, RN, CMSRN, CNL, Carolinas Medical Center
- Reducing Antipsychotic Use in Dementia Care, Tarsha Rodrigue, RN, BSN, MaineGeneral Rehabilitation and Long Term Care at Glenridge
- C.A.R.E. Volunteers Makes ED Visits Safe for Older Adults, Alicia Salgado-Lau, RN, BSN, Northwestern Memorial Hospital
- Innovative Education Improves Patient Safety, Dawn Huppensteel, MS, BSN, CCRN, CGNS; Maryalyce McCormick, MS, RN, ACNS-BC, ONC, CNRN, Pinnacle Health System
- Geri Friendly Emergency Department, Donna Rosenberg, RN, BSN, New York Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital
- Advance Directives: Implementing a Staff Nurse Driven Educational Intervention, Justine Barnes, BSN, RN, CMSRN; Alyssa S. Campbell, MBA, MSN, RN, CMSRN, Lehigh Valley Health Network
- Breaking the Fall…, Debra Means, RN, CCRN; Julia Schamrai, BSN, RN-BC, Saint Peter’s University Hospital
- Nutritionally Challenged Acute Care Patients Are More Likely to Fall, Rachael Santos, MSN, RN, GNP, BC, Morristown Medical Center
- United We Stand, Divided We Fall: How through Interprofessional Collaboration, One Hospital Decreased Elder Falls by 38% in Two Years, Cheryl Mohrlein, MSN, RN, OCN, NE-BC, Middlesex Hospital
- Impact of Implementing the Geriatric Resource Nurse Model on Fall and Hospital Acquired Pressure Ulcer Rates and Length of Stay in Older Adults in an Acute Care Hospital, Elzbieta Kmiecik, DNP-EL, RN, MedStar Washington Hospital Center
- Baby Steps! At Least We’re Not Standing Still! Reducing Inpatient Falls, Raquel Bryan, MHA, MPH, BSN, RN, CVN; Kyndall Pritchard, MSN, RN, LHRM, Cleveland Clinic
- Nurse Please Release Me! Reducing Restraints in the I.C.U., Elissa Klein, BSN, RN; Alyssa Gonzalez, RN, BSN, ANM, South Pointe Hospital
- Reducing Continuous Observation in a Safe and Effective Way, Jessica LeRoux, RN-BC, MSN; Christine Waszynski, RN, MSN, GNP-BC, DNP-C, Hartford Hospital
- Optimal Integration of Technology Integration Into Clinical Practice Leads to Quality Outcomes for the Older Adult, Deborah Brennan, RN, BS, MSN, RNC; Theresa Shaver, RN, BSN, Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital

2:30pm - 2:45pm Transition

2:45pm - 4:15pm Breakout Sessions

Track 9  From Practice to Publication: Finding Your Voice, Maureen "Shawn" Kennedy, MA, RN, FAAN, Editor in Chief, American Journal of Nursing

(Clark, 4th Flr.)
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Track 10
(Denver, 5th Flr.)
Advancing Excellence in America's Nursing Homes: Supporting the Triple Aim, Dheeraj Mahajan, MD, FACP, CMD, CIC, CHQCIM, President and CEO, CIMPAR Group of Companies; Teresa Buchman, RN, Presbyterian Senior Living

Track 11
(Los Angeles, 5th Flr.)
National Osteoporosis Foundation (NOF) & NICHE: Improving Patient Care with Fracture Liaison Service (FLS) Program Implementation, Anita J. Meehan, MSN, RN-BC, ONC, Clinical Nurse Specialist, Geriatrics/Med-Surg, NICHE Program Director; Akran General Medical Center; Susan Randall, MSN, FNP-BC, RN, Senior Director, Science & Education, National Osteoporosis Foundation

Track 12
(Grand Salon I, 7th Flr.)
NICHE 101: Community Engagement, Deborah Marks Conley, MSN, APRN-CNS, GCNS-BC, FNGNA, Methodist Hospital; John Jorgensen, MPA, RN, Covenant Health

Roundtables 3: NICHE Implementation

SPICES Framework: A Tool to Improve Continuity of Care on the Medical Specialty Unit, Toni Manuel-Monroe, MS, RN-BC, CMSRN; Victoria Gwinn, RN, BSN, MedStar Union Memorial Hospital
Improving Responsiveness by Increasing Satisfaction in Roles, Glenda Gregory, MHA, MSN, RN, BC; Teresa Leeper, RN, Saint Francis Hospital
Documentation Does Not Always Reflect Quality of Practice, Sarah Evans, MSN, RN; Adele Spegman, PhD, RN, Geisinger Medical Center
Using Focus Groups to Involve Staff in Implementing a Delirium Prevention Protocol, Pamela Brady, DNP, RN, Strong Memorial Hospital
Going Round and Round, Megan Kelly, BSN, RN; Kim Foster, RN, CEN, Reading Health System
NICHE Implementation: Getting Serious About The Care of Older Adults, Merilou Vanhoute, BSN, RN-BC, Newark Wayne Community Hospital
Translating NICHE into local Singapore Hospital: Tan Tock Seng Hospital Experience, Hongyun Tan, APN, MN, BSN; Ai Xin Hoh, RN, Tan Tock Seng Hospital, Singapore
Incorporation of NICHE Education Modules in the Staff’s Professional Updates, Anna Pamaong, RN, BSN, MSN, University Health Network
Moving from Unit Based Quality Improvement to Health System Quality Improvement: Lessons Learned, Lisa Drylie, BSN, RN; Loretta Matters, MSN, RN, Duke University Health System
Expanding the GRN Model: Onboarding Patient Care Assistants, Sarah Joal Choryan, BSN, RN-BC; D’Anna Springer, BSN, RN-BC, Mercy Health Saint Mary’s
Bladder Training: A Behavioral Therapy Approach to Managing Incontinence, Grace Umejei, BSN, RN, CWOC; Stephanie Lindsey, RN, Texas Health Presbyterian Hospital Dallas
RN Initiated Intravenous Therapy Improvement Project, Cherrie Colon, RN; Cheryl Soraghan, RN, St. Mary Mercy Livonia Hospital
Introducing the NICHE Core Curriculum and Program to The Long Term Care Community, Joanne Alderman, MS-N, APRN-CNS, RN-BC, FNGNA; Rhonda Hanan, MS, RN, C-NE, GRN; Tricia Sheehy, MSN/MBA-HC, RN-BC, CHPN, National Gerontological Nursing Association
Identifying Aging Patients at Risk for Aspiration Pneumonia Using Dysphagia Screening and Oral Assessment Measures, Dora H. Castillo, RN, MA, CCRN; Emma Kumi, RN, BSN, NYU Langone Medical Center
Reenergizing NICHE through Increased Engagement of Frontline Staff, Caeden Dempsey, MSN/MPH, RN, CMSRN, MedStar Washington Hospital Center
Build the Culture! Geriatric Excellence through Educational Innovations Education, Louise Laufer Hummel, MSN, RN-BC, CEN, Riddle Hospital
Utilizing Information Technology for the Development of Geriatric Resources for Point of Care Clinicians, Odette Comeau, MS, RN, CNS, CCRN; Colleen James, BSN, RN, CCRN, University of Texas Medical Branch Galveston
Integrating YouTube into NICHE Education, Maureen Mulligan, RN, MSN, St. Joseph’s Wayne Hospital
4:15pm - 4:30pm Transition

4:30pm - 5:45pm Welcome & Opening Remarks
(Chicago, 5th Flr.) Keynote: Where Do I Fit in Health Care Reform?, Eileen Sullivan-Marx, PhD, RN, FAAN, Dean, NYU College of Nursing

5:45pm - 7:45pm Poster Reception (Grand Ballroom, 7th Flr.)

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9:00am - 10:15am Welcome & Opening Remarks
(Chicago, 5th Flr.) Keynote: Remodeling Healthcare for Better Patient Programming through Care Redesign, Arnie Cisneros, PT, President, Home Health Strategic Management

10:15am - 10:30am Transition

10:30am - 12:00pm Site Innovations: Plenary: Safety: CAUTI, Falls, Technology
(Chicago, 5th Flr.) Most Valuable Players Using Most Valuable Practices to Improve CAUTI Performance, Brenda Murphy, MSN, RN, GNP-BC; Barbara Deskins, MSN, RN-BC, CNE, Moses Cone Memorial Hospital

Effectiveness of an Interdisciplinary Mobile ACE Team in Reducing Length of Stay and Hospital Readmission Rates, Nicole Caldwell, MSN, APRN, BC, NP-C; Julie Campbell, MSN, APRN, BC, CNS, The Christ Hospital

The Impact of an Innovative Evidence-Based Fall Prevention Program on Patient Outcomes and Organizational Performance, Viktoriya Fridman, MSN, RN, ANP-BC; Dorothy Jean Graham-Hannah, MPA, MSN, BSN, RN, BC, Maimonides Medical Center

12:00pm - 1:30pm Lunch (Grand Ballroom, 7th Flr.)
Non-Member Lunch, Invitation Only (Denver, 5th Flr.)

1:30pm - 1:45pm Transition

1:45pm - 3:15pm Breakout Sessions

Track 1 Safety: Change Agents
(Avenue, 4th Flr.) Data Driven Action Planning: The Role of Collecting and Trending Data in Developing an Effective Action Plan, Caeden Dempsey, MSN/MPH, RN, CMSRN, MedStar Washington Hospital Center

Impacting Geriatric Outcomes as Unit-Based Consultant, Educator, Leader and Researcher: Development of the Advanced Practice Manager, Nancy M. Robin, RN, M.Ed, CEN; Janet C. Engvall, MSN, RN-BC, CDOE, The Miriam Hospital

Implementing Virtual ACE on Two Orthopedic Surgery Units: A Feasibility Study, Emily Simmons, MSN, RN-BC, CNL; Andres Viles, MSN, RN, CCNS, UAB Hospital

Track 2 Safety: Delirium
(Chicago E, 5th Flr.) Decreasing Delirium Resolution Times for the Elderly: An Interprofessional Approach, Felice Rogers Evans, BSN, RN, BC; Ty Breiter, MSN, RN, CNL, Tampa General Hospital

Improving Delirium Assessment for Older Veterans: The Elder Care in Hospital (ECHO) Program, Evelyn Metz, APRN, DNP, FNP-C, AGANP-BC, VHA-CM; Monalesia Chapman, MSN, VHA-CM, Durham Veterans Affairs Medical Center

Music Intervention to Prevent Delirium Among Older Patients Admitted to a Trauma Intensive Care Unit and a Trauma Orthopedic Unit, Kari Johnson, PhD, RN, ACNS-BC, HonorHealth John C. Lincoln North Mountain Medical Center

Track 3 Safety: Falls
(Marriott, 4th Flr.) Using Technology to Prevent Falls, Patty Evans, RN, BSN-BC; Katie Hottovy, BS, Bryan Medical Center
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#### Track 3 (cont’d.)
(Marriott, 4th Flr.)

Reducing the Risks of Falls in the Home Environment Using Simulation Education with Hospitalized Patients, Nancy DeWalt, RN, PCCN; Sue Sturges, MSN, RN, NE-BC, Cleveland Clinic

Enhancing Patient Understanding of Fall Risks Using a Teach-back Tool, Jennifer P. Colwill, MSN, APRN; Michelle Chaffin, BSN, RN, Cleveland Clinic

#### Track 4
(Chicago D, 5th Flr.)

Safety: Mobility

Employing a Nurse-Driven Algorithm to Achieve Highest Level of Mobility: I-MOVE, Viktoriya Fridman, MSN, RN, ANP-BC; Barbara Duckworth, MSN, RN, Maimonides Medical Center

The Toileting and Mobility Program, Suji Thomas, MSN, MBA, RN, Barnabas Health Monmouth Medical Center Southern Campus

Improve Early Mobilization Among Mechanically Ventilated (MV) Critically Ill Patients in a Trauma Intensive Care Unit, Roberta Johnson, MN, RN, CCRN, HonorHealth John C. Lincoln Medical Center

#### Track 5 (cont’d.)

3:15pm - 3:45pm Break

3:45pm - 5:15pm Breakout Sessions

#### Track 5
(Chicago D, 5th Flr.)

Closing the Gaps in Knowledge and Competence: Effective Use of Training and SHARING Tool, Marilyn Lopez, RN, MA, GNP-BC, IWC-CNYU, NYU Langone Medical Center

Aligning the GRN Program with the Organization Goals: a Win-Win Opportunity, Cristiane L. Fukuda, RN, MSN, ANP-BC, Northside Hospital

Promoting NICHE Principles in Nursing Care through the Use of Unit Champions, Penny Altareas, BSN, RN, Bon Secours DePaul Medical Center

#### Track 6
(Chicago E, 5th Flr.)

NICHE Implementation: Expanding the NICHE Footprint

Expanding NICHE: Geriatric Nurse Navigator, Suzanne Dutton, MSN, RN, GNP-BC; Matt Brown, MSN, RN-BC, Sibley Memorial Hospital

Changing the Attitude of the Emergency Department Toward Seniors, Dwayne Dobschuetz, MSN, RN, Northwestern Memorial Hospital

Creating a Geriatric Focused Model of Care in Trauma with Geriatric Education, Kai Bortz, MSN, RN-BC, CMSRN, CNL; Tracie Heckman, MSN, RN, CMSRN, Lehigh Valley Health Network

#### Track 7
(Marriott, 4th Flr.)

NICHE Implementation: Sustainability

SPICES Implementation on a Medical Specialty Unit: A Tool to Improve Continuity of Care, Toni Manuel-Monroe, MS, RN-BC, CMSRN; Victoria Gwinn, RN, BSN, MedStar Union Memorial Hospital

A Bundle Approach Towards an Institutional Re-Commitment to NICHE, Colleen James, RN, BSN, CCRN; Odette Comeau, RN, MS, CCRN, University of Texas Medical Branch Galveston

Keeping Your Goals at the Front of the Line: Achieving Your Goals Using a Balanced Scorecard, Crystal Hollon, BSN, RN-BC, TriHealth Bethesda North Hospital

#### Track 8
(Avenue, 4th Flr.)

NICHE Implementation: Systems

Accelerating NICHE through Systemness: The Influence of a HealthSystem Steering Committee on NICHE Implementation, Karen Mack, MS, MBA, CCNS, ACNP, CHFN, MedStar Health

There is an ‘I’ in Team: Promedica NICHE Program: Innovation and Integration to Achieve Improvement, Jennifer Micham, MSN, RN, CNRN, CDP; Tara O’Rourke, LNHA, MA, CTRS, CDP, CADDCT, CDCM, ProMedica Toledo Hospital

United As One: NICHE Across the Health System, Stacey Claus, MSN, RN, GCNS-BC, CNRN; Julie Simon, MSN, RN, ACNS-BC, GCNS-BC, CMSRN, Cleveland Clinic
Conference Schedule, Day 2, Tuesday, April 19, 2016 (total contact hours: up to 5.5)

9:00am - 10:15am  Welcome & Opening Remarks  
(Chicago, 5th Flr.)  
Keynote: Transitional Care Model: A Journey From Evidence to Impact, Mary Naylor, PhD, FAAN, RN, Marian S. Ware Professor in Gerontology, Director of NewCourtland Center for Transitions and Health

10:15am - 10:30am  Transition

10:30am - 12:00pm  Site Innovations: Plenary: Healthcare Across the Continuum  
(Chicago, 5th Flr.)  
Carolinas HealthCare System – Fragility Fracture Program, Monica C. Mowry, MSN, RN, NE-BC, ONC, Carolinas HealthCare System  
Meeting the Palliative Care Needs of Older Hospitalized Patients: Nursing is Doing It!, Susan M. Lee, PhD, RN, CNP, Brigham and Women’s Hospital; Deborah Marks Conley, MSN, APRN-CNS, GCNS-BC, FNGNA, Methodist Hospital  
Our Journey to Improve Medication Education, Mariel Consagra, RN; Bernadette Hogan, BS, RN, MPH, CNML, Phelps Memorial Hospital Center

12:00pm - 1:00pm  Lunch (Grand Ballroom, 7th Flr.)  
Clinical Outcomes Focus Group Lunch, Invitation Only (Denver, 5th Flr.)

1:00pm - 1:15pm  Transition

1:15pm - 2:45pm  Breakout Sessions

Track 1 Healthcare Across the Continuum: Community Programs  
(Avenue, 4th Flr.)  
The Muller Institute for Senior Health, Rita Leinheiser, MA; Sarah Maus, ACSW, LCSW, Abington Hospital - Jefferson Health  
Community Case Management University of Colorado Health North, Janice Goldsmith, MSN, RN, FNP, Poudre Valley Hospital  
Keeping up the PACE: Educating Nurses about Programs of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly, Marty Cunningham, MSN, RN, MBA, CCRN; Carrie Hays McElroy, MSN-HCA, RN, Gero-BC, ACM, Trinity Health

Track 2 Healthcare Across the Continuum: ED  
(Chicago E, 5th Flr.)  
Older and Wiser... Improving Care of Geriatric Patients in the Emergency Department, Jeannie Burnie, MS, APRN, AGCNS-BC, CEN; Nancy Doolittle, DNP, MBA, MSN, RN, NE-BC, TriHealth Bethesda North Hospital  
Dissemination of Geriatrics Guidelines in the Emergency Department: The Intersection of Geriatric Experts, National Guidelines, and Quality Improvement in 3 Midwestern Hospitals, Aaron Malsch, MS, RN, GCNS-BC; Lisa Entringer, RN, Aurora Health Care  
Geriatric Screening in the Emergency Department: Decreasing 72 Hour Revisits, Sue E. Durkin, MSN, CCRN, CCNS, Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital

Track 3 Healthcare Across the Continuum: Infection  
(Marriott, 4th Flr.)  
Winning the War on Sepsis through Interdisciplinary Collaboration, Courtney Elliott, RN, BSN, Inova Mount Vernon Hospital  
Promoting the Older Adults' Function through the Reduction of Inappropriate Usage of Continence Aids, Ma Theresa Alandre, SRN, BScN (Phil); Jodelyn Losbanes Librodo, SRN, BScN (Phil), Tan Tock Seng Hospital  
Translating Wound Care Evidence into Practice through Journal Clubs, Barbara Fulmer, MSN, GNP-BC, CWCN-AP, Eisenhower Medical Center

Track 4 Healthcare Across the Continuum: Transition Programs  
(Chicago D, 5th Flr.)  
Senior Focused Transition: A NICHE Project, Matt Brown, MSN, RN-BC; Suzanne Dutton, MSN, RN, GNP-BC, Sibley Memorial Hospital  
Advanced Illness Management: Full Continuum Patient-Centered Transitions, Deana Williams, MBA/MHA; Sheila Black, LCW, Carolinas HealthCare System  
Health Optimization Program for Elders, (HOPE): Enhancing Care Transitions between Acute Care and Skilled Nursing Facilities, Loretta Matters, MSN, RN, Duke University Health System; Corinne Machado, BSN, RN, Peak Resources-Treyburn
2:45pm - 3:15pm  Break
3:15pm - 4:45pm  Discussion Panels

Panel 1  NICHE Levels: Early Implementation
(Chicago E, 5th Flr.)
Moderator: Holly Brown, MSN, GNP-BC, Associate Director, Continuing Care, NICHE
Panelists: Michele D. Blakely, MSN, RN, NEA-BC, Wake Forest Baptist Health; Jennifer Micham, MSN, RN, CCRN, CNRN, CDP, ProMedica Toledo Hospital; Melissa Mordecai, MSN, APN, ACNP-BC, CEN, Kennedy University Hospital; Brenda Murphy, MSN, RN, Moses Cone Memorial Hospital

Panel 2  NICHE Levels: Progressive
(Avenue, 4th Flr.)
Moderator: Denise Lyons, MSN, RN, AGCNS-BC, FNGNA, Christiana Care Health System
Panelists: Carrie Hays McElroy, RN-GerBC, MSN, ACM, St. Mary Mercy Livonia Hospital; Cristiane L. Fukuda, RN, MSN, ANP-BC, Northside Hospital; Peggy Burhenn, MS, RN, CNS, AOCNS, City of Hope; Sarah Evans, MSN, RN, ONC, CMSRN, Geisinger Medical Center

Panel 3  NICHE Levels: Senior Friendly
(Marriott, 4th Flr.)
Moderator: Brenda Belbot, MSN, MHA, RN-BC, St. John Hospital & Medical Center
Panelists: Crystal Hollon, BSN, RN-BC, TriHealth Bethesda North Hospital; Penny Altareas, BSN, RN, Bon Secours DePaul Medical Center; Viktoria Fridman, MSN, RN, ANP-BC, Maimonides Medical Center; Emily Simmons, MSN, RN-BC, CNL, UAB Hospital

Panel 4  NICHE Levels: Exemplar
(Chicago D, 5th Flr.)
Moderator: Judith Pfeiffer, PhD, RN, PMHCNS-BC, NEA-BC, UC San Diego Health
Panelists: Karen Mack, MS, MBA, CCNS, ACNPC, CHFN, MedStar Health; Caeden Dempsey, MSN/MPH, RN, CMSRN, MedStar Washington Hospital Center; Sue E. Durkin, MSN, CCRN, CCNS, Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital; Christine Waszynski, RN, MSN, GNP-BC, DNP-C, Hartford Hospital

Conference Schedule, Day 3, Wednesday, April 20, 2016  (total contact hours: up to 2.5)

8:45am - 10:15am  Poster Awards
2017 NICHE Update
Keynote: Susan Reinhard, PhD, RN, FAAN, Senior Vice President, AARP Public Policy Institute and Chief Strategist, Center to Champion Nursing in America

10:15am - 10:45am  Break
10:45am - 12:15pm  Breakout Sessions

Track 1  Patient, Family, Caregiver: Advance Care Planning
(Chicago D, 5th Flr.)
Leading Goals of Care Conversations for RNs: Yes, You Can!, Susan M. Lee, PhD, RN, CNP, Brigham and Women’s Hospital; Gail Bromley, PhD, RN, University Hospitals Health System
Promoting Advanced Care Planning via Goals of Care Tab in an Electronic Medical Record, Shervin Esfahani, BSN, RN, CCRN, UC San Diego Health
Lights, Camera, Action: Improving Advance Care Planning, Joan Michelle Moccia, DNP, ANP-BC, CCRN, St. Mary Mercy Livonia Hospital

Track 2  Patient, Family, Caregiver: Healthcare Acquired Conditions
(Chicago E, 5th Flr.)
Caution! CAUTI FREE ZONE: Improving Outcomes in Heart Failure Patients, Monette Mabolo, MBA, MSN, RN, NEA-BC, Moses Cone Memorial Hospital
Prevention of Respiratory Device-Related Pressure Ulcers: A Collaborative Research Project, Cynthia Padula, PhD, RN, The Miriam Hospital
Crochet, Knit, and Sew Oh My! A NICHE Committee-Volunteer Collaboration, Mae Dizon, DNP(c), MSN, ANP-BC; Heather Wright, MSN, RN-BC, El Camino Hospital
Track 3
(Marriott, 4th Flr.)
Patient, Family, Caregiver: Person Centered Care
Living with Dementia: Patient and Family Narratives to Build Understanding Among Health Care Professionals, Denise Guerrier, MSN, RN-C; Joyce Simons, PhD, Duke University Health System

Family Education for Nonverbal Patient Pain Control, Jeannette Meyer, MSN, RN, CCRN, CCNS, PCCN, ACHPN, UCLA Health System

Track 4
(Avenue, 4th Flr.)
Patient, Family, Caregiver: Technology
Infusing Technology into Chronic Condition Daily Self-Management Practices: Now There’s an App For That!, Shannon Patel, BSN, RN, PCCN, CCRN-CMC, DNP; Summer Tinkcom, MSN, RN, Atlanticare Regional Medical Center

PlanYourLifespan.org: An Initiative to Prepare Families and Seniors for Health Crises, Lee A. Lindquist, MD, MPH, MBA, Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine

Receiving the Patient's "Seal" of Approval, Dorothy Dawes, MSN/MHA, RN, NE-BC, Baylor Scott & White Medical Center-Irving

12:30pm - 3:00pm NICHE Coordinators Meeting (Grand Salon I, 7th Flr.)
2016 Keynote Speakers

**Arnie Cisneros**, P.T., President of Home Health Strategic Management, has provided clinical services, program development, and management consultation in the areas of geriatric rehabilitation, sports medicine, and home health since 1979. His clinical background is primarily orthopedic based from his tenure with The Ohio State University Sports Medicine Department. He is renowned for his adaptation of traditional care philosophies to address current and future healthcare initiatives. His status as a practicing clinician provides a working level insight into program development and care consultation needs for home health providers. He authors "Home Health Forum," a bi-weekly column addressing contemporary homecare issues and is a contributor to "The Remington Report," Caring, and Decision Health publications. He presents nationally on homecare topics including Service Utilization Review for Care in the Home for Home Health (S.U.R.C.H. – UR), Outcome-Based Quality Improvement (OBQI) Case Conference, and Prospective Payment System/Pay for Performance (PPS/P4P) strategies.

**Mary D. Naylor**, PhD, RN, FAAN, is the Marian S. Ware Professor in Gerontology and Director of the NewCourtland Center for Transitions and Health at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing. For the past two decades, Dr. Naylor has led an interdisciplinary program of research designed to improve the quality of care, decrease unnecessary hospitalizations, and reduce healthcare costs for vulnerable community-based elders. For the past eight years, Dr. Naylor served as the National Program Director of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Interdisciplinary Nursing Quality Research Initiative, which was aimed at generating, disseminating, and translating research to understand how nurses contribute to quality patient care. She was elected to the National Academy of Medicine in 2005 and is a member of the Leadership Consortium on Value & Science-Driven Health Care, and co-chairs the Care Culture and Decision-Making Innovation Collaborative. Dr. Naylor is also a member of the ABIM Foundation Board of Trustees, RAND Health Board of Advisors, the National Quality Forum Board of Directors and the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality National Advisory Council. She was appointed to the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission in 2010.
Dr. Susan C. Reinhard is a Senior Vice President at AARP, directing its Public Policy Institute, the focal point for public policy research and analysis at the state, federal, and international levels. She also serves as the Chief Strategist for the Center to Champion Nursing in America, a national resource center created to ensure America has the nurses it needs to provide care in the future. Dr. Reinhard is a nationally recognized expert in health and long-term care policy, with extensive experience in conducting, directing, and translating research to promote policy change. Previously, she served as Professor and Co-Director of Rutgers Center for State Health Policy, directing several national initiatives with states to help people with disabilities of all ages live in their communities. As Deputy Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services, she led the development of policies and nationally recognized programs for family caregiving, consumer choice, and community-based care options. She is a former faculty member at the Rutgers College of Nursing, an American Academy of Nursing Fellow, and a National Academy of Social Insurance member. She holds many governance positions, including Chair of the Center for Health Policy Development/National Academy for State Health Policy. She holds a Master’s Degree in Nursing from the University of Cincinnati and a PhD in Sociology from Rutgers University.

Eileen Sullivan-Marx, PhD, RN, FAAN, Dean of the NYU College of Nursing, Erline Perkins McGriff Professor of Nursing, is a nationally recognized leader in the care of older adults, sustaining models of care using advanced practice nurses locally and globally, and developing health policy in community-based, long-term care settings. Her distinguished body of research has focused on improving functional outcomes of older adults, studying factors that promote and prevent exercise in the community for frail older adults. As the Associate Dean at the University of Pennsylvania she oversaw the Program for All Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) and the first pilot to integrate this program with the Veterans Administration (VA). Most recently, Dr. Sullivan-Marx was an American Political Science Congressional Fellow and Senior Advisor to the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services. She currently serves on the American Academy of Nursing’s (AAN) Board of Directors and is liaison to the AAN Military/Veterans Expert Panel. Among the numerous awards that she has received are the International Sigma Theta Tau Honor Society Best of Image Research Award (1993) and Excellence in Practice Award (2011).
Healthcare Across the Continuum

Broward Health Imperial Point
1. Pharm Assist in Emergency Department, Tammy Domanico, PharmD; Kelli Farnell, PharmD; Thuy Nguyen, PharmD

Broward Health Imperial Point
2. Rapid Response Efficiency - What Does The Data Tell Us?, Jamey Bryant, MSN ED, RN, CCRN; Lynn Cleveland, RN, BSN; Barry Gallison, DNP, CPHQ

CHI Health
3. Promoting Geriatric Knowledge in Long-Term Care, Rhonda Lange, DNP, APRN, GNP-BC

Detroit Medical Center
4. Chronic Care Management: A Critical Component of Primary Care for Seniors, Darlene Ausby, RN; Rita Colbert, RN; Bianca Korkis, PharmD; Luisa Mullin, RN

Eisenhower Medical Center; California State University San Bernardino
5. Skilled Nursing Facility Early Stroke Identification Education: The Effects on Staff Knowledge, Traci Thomas, BSN, RN; Margaret Beaman, RN, PhD; Deborah Wondoloski, MSN, RN, AGNP-C, CCRN, SCRN

Kennedy Health
6. Elder Care Coordination and Improved Care Transition, Susan Cooke, MSN, RN, NEA-BC

Mercy Health Saint Mary’s
7. Ativan Use in the Senior Adult: A Collaborative Effort with the Emergency Department, Donna J. Silva, RN-BC

Middlesex Hospital; University of Connecticut School of Nursing
8. Using Existing Data and Evidence-Based Practice to Identify and Intervene with Community Dwelling Older Persons at High Risk for Hospitalization and Institutionalization, Millicent Malcolm, DNP, GNP-BC, APRN; Sarah Wilcox, BS, RN-C; Patricia Coe, BSN, RN-BC; Catherine Rees, MPH; Margo Golas, MSN, RN, CPHQ, COS-C

Monash Health
9. Improving Care for Older Australians, Rebecca Hamilton, RN; Sally Webster, RN

Morristown Medical Center
10. Operationalizing the Geriatric Emergency Department (Geri-ED), Maria Bessie Ziegenfuss, MSN, RN, NE-BC; Gayle Walker-Cillo, RN, MSN/Ed, CEN, CPEN, FAEN; Jon Bennett Sugarman, DNP, MSN, RN, ANP-BC, GNP-C

Novant Health Forsyth Medical Center
11. Comfort Measures to Reduce Pain and Promote Therapy Participation, Debbie Bowling, RN, BSN, CRNN; LaKeithia Blake, RN, BSN, CRRN; Rebecca Flynn, RN, BSN, CRRN; Leona Nixon, RN, BSN

Novant Health Forsyth Medical Center
12. Stroke Survivor: Enriching Your Life, Debbie Bowling, RN, BSN, CRRN; Kimberly Johnson, RN, BSN

ProMedica Flower Hospital
13. Can the Implementation of NICHE Guiding Principles Improve Patient Satisfaction Scores in the Acute Care Older Adult Population?, Jennifer R. Bettinger, MSN, RN, CDP; Meeghan Davis, MSN, RN, CDP

San Francisco General Hospital
14. Improving Post-Operative Care of Geriatric Hip Fracture Patients on an ACE Unit Using a Clinical Pathway Checklist, Margarita Sotelo, MD; Edgar Pierluissi, MD; Annelie Nilsson, RN, MS, CNS

St. Joseph’s Hospital Health Center
15. Bringing Falls Prevention into the Home Care Setting: A Regional Approach to Better Practice, Marty Pond, MS, RN-BC; Christopher Kowal, DNP, RN, CCRN

St. Mary Mercy Livonia Hospital
16. Connecting the Dots Across the Care Continuum: Acute to Post Acute SMMI Patient Discharge Folder & Health Care Plan, Catherine Ponder, RN, BSN; Sue Klotz, MS, BSN, RN-BC; Patty Pokrandt, MS, BSN, RN-BC

Stanford Health Care
17. Utilization of Home Visits and In-Home Monitoring for Heart Failure Patients, Dipanjan Banerjee, MD; Rita Ghatak, PhD; Christine Thompson, CNS; Pauline Marchon, RN; Lourina Co, RN; Candace Mindigo, RN; Terese McManis, RN

The Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania
18. Comparison of Clinical Nurse and Geriatric Patient Perception of Sleep in an Acute Care Setting, Janice Smolka, BSN, RN, RN-BC, WCC; Dan Finegan, RN, CRNN

University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics
19. Geriatric Skin Changes and the Impact on Care, Jill Monfre, PhD, RN, CWOCN, CNS; Jackie Lakosky, BSN, RN, CWON
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Implementing NICHE at CRMC, Nicole Barber, RN

Bringing NICHE to the Forefront, Lynette Williams, MSN, RN-BC, CCRN; Ruth Leeds, MS, RN-BC; Terry Roselmond-Moore, BSN, RN, MPA, CDE, NEA-BC

Implementation of a Geriatric Resource Nurse Program, Melissa Aaron, BSN, RN; Shannon Knowles, BSN, RN, CMSRN, RN-BC; Joy Gilman, BSN, RN, CNML

Increasing Patient Satisfaction in the Inpatient Geriatric Population Through Sleep Promotion, Kimberly Miller, BSN, RN, CMSRN, RN-BC; Katherine Haas, BSN, RN, CMSRN

Call, Don’t Fall: Implementing SPICES with the Morse Fall Scale to Prevent Elderly Patient Falls, Megan Comunale, BSN, RN; Jacqueline Galdos, BSN, RN; Jessica Strasheim, BSN, RN

Ensuring Nutrition: Reducing the Risks Associated with Decreased Appetite in the Inpatient Geriatric Population, Raenique Brewton, BSN, RN; Elizabeth Kakouris, BSN, RN

Promoting Mobility and Maintaining Base-line Level of Flexibility, Joan M. Sullivan, MSN, MAS, RN, CWON

Sensory Deprivation Simulation Exercise and Nurse Empathy, Elzbieta Kmiecik, DNP-EL, RN; Joanne M. Pritchett, MA, RN; Tabitha W. Evans, BSN, RN

Reimagining Assignments to Improve Patient Experience, D’Anna Springer, BSN, RN-BC; Rebecca Veneklase, BSN, RN

The Pathway to NICHE Designation in Australia, Adelle Pfukwa, RN; Pam Hegarty, RN, Dip.Ed., MNurs; Sandra McGuire, RN, MNurs

NICHE Implementation: A Hospital’s Journey, Rachael Santos, MSN, RN, GNP, BC

Early Progressive Mobility in the Intensive Care Unit, Pamela Harmon, BSN, MSN, RN, CCRN; Wilhelmina Ungco, BSN, RN, CCRN; Nabeela Gull, BS, BSN, RN, CCRN

Use of a Day Room to Prevent Functional Decline, Cynthia Shields, MSN, NP-C

RN Initiated Intravenous Therapy Improvement Project, Cherri Colon, RN; Cheryl Soraghan, RN; Patty Pokrandt, MS, BSN, RN-BC

Improving HCAHPS for Communication About Medicines Domain, Rebekka L. Amick, MN, RN, CMSRN

The Implementation of a Geriatric Internship Program for Nursing Graduates, Odette Comeau, DNP, RN, CNS, CCRN; Colleen James, BSN, RN, CCRN; Deatra Josiah, MSN, RN-BC, OCN

Finding Our NICHE: Engaging a GRN Workforce, Kelly Dolan, MS, RN, NE-BC

Sleep Hygiene, Shannell Richardson, RN

**Patient, Family, Caregiver**

A Hospital Uses NICHE Materials to Promote Patient, Associate, Family and Community Engagement, Sue Harvey, RN, PPCN

Aromatherapy: Creating a Caring Moment, Sherry Likourgou, RN; Margaret Reid, RN; Rebeca Almeida, RN; Robin Follmer, LPN; Tanya Horne, RN; Camila Pinto, RN; Fay Mora, RN
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