Artificial Intelligence: Promise & Perils for Nursing

2025 South Dakota Nurses Association Convention Agenda
October 5–6, 2025
Domelli's Event Center, 931 25th Ave, Brookings, SD

Sunday, October 5, 2025

1:00 – 1:50 p.m.
Keynote: Melissa Magstadt, MS, MBA, APRN, South Dakota Secretary of Health
AI Changes for the South Dakota Department of Health

2:00 – 2:50 p.m.
Brandon Varilek, PhD, RN, CCTC, CNE, CHPN
Machine Learning & End-Stage Renal Disease: Development and Application for Patient Care

3:00 – 3:50 p.m.
Sandra Schindler, MSN, APRN, FNP-C, CRC, CCDS-O, CEN, CPEN, SANE-A
AI in Healthcare

4:00 – 4:50 p.m.
Kathi Koehn, MA, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, Minnesota Organization of Registered Nurses (MNORN)
American Nurses Association Updates

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Business Meeting

6:00 p.m.
Nightingale Tribute – Vanessa Namken

6:15 – 7:00 p.m.
Reception (Cash-Bar Available)

7:00 – 9:30 p.m.
Banquet & Live Auction

Monday, October 6, 2025

9:00 – 9:50 a.m.
Keynote: Kathi Koehn, MA, RN, FAAN, Executive Director, Minnesota Organization of Registered Nurses (MNORN)
AI and the ANA

9:50 – 10:25 a.m.
Vendor & Exhibitor Break

10:30 – 11:20 a.m.
Panel: AI in Healthcare Facilities in South Dakota
- Avera: Candice Friestad, DNP, MSN, NI-BC, BC-NEA, MBA, & Karma Pfeffer, RN, RHNC, MSN
- Sanford: Derick Schafer, RN, BSN, MHA

11:30 a.m. – 12:20 p.m.
Victor Taylor, PhD, Vice Provost for Graduate Education and Extended Studies/Professor of English-Interdisciplinary Studies at South Dakota State University
Ethics of AI

12:20 – 12:45 p.m.
Exhibitor Break

12:45 – 2:15 p.m.
Awards Luncheon & President's Address – Deb Fischer-Clemens

2:15 – 2:30 p.m.
Closing Ceremony