



Rhode Island School Nurse Conference

Monday, March 18, 2019 | 3:00 - 7:30pm

The Crowne Plaza Hotel, 801 Greenwich Avenue, Warwick, RI



Program Description

The Rhode Island Department of Health partners with school and child care nurses and other school health professionals to coordinate a statewide school health program designed to reduce mortality and morbidity from major chronic and/or infectious diseases and injury. The Conference increases knowledge in school nursing practice and school health programming related to health prevention and promotion and chronic and/or infectious disease. The Conference allows attendees to participate in a public health team approach to address the social and environmental determinants of health, eliminate health disparities, and assure access to quality health services in schools and in the community.

Who Should Attend

School Nurses, Child Care Nurses, Social Workers

Learning Objectives

At the conclusion of this activity, participants should be able to:

- Express the concerns of parents regarding immunization and influences that can lead to misinformation about the safety and effectiveness of vaccines.
- Apply strategies to communicate effectively with vaccine-hesitant parents and be reminded of the importance of maintaining high immunization rates to prevent disease outbreaks.
- Describe the state school nurse consultant's role and what it means for the school nurse teacher
- Explain the difference between primary and breakthrough chickenpox and when to exclude students from school.
- Describe the school nurse's role and legal issues around administration of medical marijuana in the school setting.

Course Director and Planning Committee

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Registration Fee: \$35.00

Conference registration fee includes: Dinner, CEUs and Parking

Cancellations and Substitutions must be made in writing to the Brown CME Office at least two weeks prior to the conference, no later than March 4, 2019. A \$5.00 administrative fee will be charged for all refunds (no refunds for "no shows"). No additional charge for substitutions. This conference is subject to change or cancellation.

Please notify the Brown CME Office in writing at least two weeks prior to the conference to request reasonable accommodations.

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Program

- 3:00 Registration, Networking, Exhibitor Displays**
- 4:30 Welcoming Remarks**
Carol Hall-Walker, MPA
Associate Director, Division of Community Health & Equity
Rhode Island Department of Health
- 4:40 Medical Marijuana**
James V. McDonald, MD, MPH
Chief Administrative Officer, Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline | Medical Director, Division of Customer Services, Division of Policy, Information, and Communications, Overdose Prevention Program, Prescription Drug Monitoring Program
Rhode Island Department of Health
- 5:20 Varicella**
Karen Luther, RN, MPH
Community Health Nurse Coordinator
Center for Acute Infectious Disease Epidemiology
Rhode Island Department of Health
- 5:30 Vaccines: Resistance, Hesitancy and Advocacy**
Richard D. Bungi, PhD
Senior Lecturer, Molecular Microbiology and Immunology
Brown University
- 6:45 Dental Issues**
Samuel Zwetchkenbaum, DDS, MPH
Assistant Professor, Practice of Health Services, Policy and Practice, Brown University School of Public Health
Dental Director, Oral Health Program
Rhode Island Department of Health
- 7:20 Overview of the State School Nurse Consultant**
Linda Mendonca, MSN, RN, PHNA-BC, NCSN, FNASN
Assistant Professor, Department of Community/Public Health Nursing, Rhode Island College School of Nursing
State School Nurse Consultant
Rhode Island Department of Health
- 7:30 Closing Remarks**
Linda Mendonca, MSN, RN, PHNA-BC, NCSN, FNASN

Continuing Education Credit Designation

Nurses: This activity has been submitted to the Northeast Multi-state Division for approval to award contact hours. The Northeast Multistate Division is accredited as an approver of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. Maine, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island and Vermont Nurses Associations are members of the Northeast Multi-State Division of the American Nurses Association.

Social Workers: An application for continuing education credits has been submitted to the NASW, RI Chapter. Determination of credits is pending.

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