

Due to health concerns relating to the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19), the ANA-MI 2020 Annual Conference has been canceled.

Dear ANA-Michigan Members, Friends, and Supporters,

After careful consideration regarding the elevated concerns of COVID-19/Coronavirus, the American Nurses Association - Michigan (ANA-MI) has made the necessary and responsible decision to cancel the 2020 Annual Conference scheduled for March 25-26 in Lansing, MI.

ANA-Michigan's decision is based on the latest reports from the <u>World Health Organization</u> (WHO) and recommendations from <u>Gov. Gretchen Whitmer and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS).</u>

We are confident this is not only in the best interest of our attendees and exhibitors but also the patients and families they serve.

If you have already registered to attend the 2020 Conference and Annual Meeting, you will be offered a full refund by the method in which you paid.

The Annual Membership Assembly will still be held on Wednesday, March 25 from 1:00 – 2:00PM but in a virtual format (Zoom) to promote optimal member participation.

We ask that you please be patient with us during this time. For any urgent concerns, please contact Executive Director, Tobi Moore at tobi@ana-michigan.org and she will respond as soon as she is able.

Thank you for your continued support and for the work that you do.

Please see more detailed information below regarding hotel, refunds and upcoming meetings.

Hotel:

Note that individuals are responsible for canceling any hotel arrangements directly. We recommend you cancel your hotel arrangements as soon as possible.

Reservations: 800-333-3333

Online: www.radisson.com/lansingmi.3333.

Cancellations will be accepted without financial penalty up to 72 hours prior to arrival/check-in date. Cancellations received within 72 hours or less of arrival/check-in date will forfeit one night room and tax.

Refunds:

ANA-MI will offer full refunds to those who registered to attend the 2020 Annual Conference. Refunds will be returned in the same form as the original method of payment. Please allow up to 45 days for funds to be credited back to accounts.

Annual Membership Assembly:

The ANA-MI Annual Membership Assembly will be held virtually on Wednesday, March 25 from 1:00 – 2:00 PM through our Zoom platform. Please use the information below to attend the meeting.

March 25, 2020 1:00-2:00 pm est Zoom Access:

https://zoom.us/j/408615522

Dial In Only: (929) 436-2866 and reference meeting ID: 408 615 522 #

Upcoming meetings:

New! ANA-Michigan Violence Against Nurses: Casualties of Caring

Embassy Suites | Livonia, MI August 6, 2020

Nurses are on the front line of healthcare and often bear the brunt of physical and verbal abuse from patients and families. Nationally more than 20% of nurses and nursing students report that they have been physically assaulted and more than half report experiencing verbal abuse. This one-day conference will begin to address the increasing frequency of violence against nurses and other healthcare providers in Michigan.

The program will address:

- 1. Scope of the problem in nationally and in Michigan
- 2. Nurses sharing their experiences from a variety of practice areas
- 3. Promising strategies to reduce verbal and physical violence
- 4. National and state advocacy efforts

Registration will be made available within the next week.

New! ANA-Michigan Leadership Academy

Okemos Conference Center | Okemos, MI

Three part series beginning in September 2020

Part 1: Sept 15-16, 2020Part 2: Nov. 17-18, 2020

• Part 3: January of 2021 dates TBD

Save the dates for the new ANA-Michigan Leadership Academy! The Leadership Academy is a three-part series that will take place over the course of five months in two-day increments to enable participants to return to their workplace and implement the knowledge and skills learned in the sessions.

Registration will be made available within the next week.