



2025 KNA Legislative Conference Agenda

Friday May 23, 2025 | 8:30 AM – 3:15 PM (Registration between 7:45 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.)

Leadership and Advocacy: Nurses Lead the Way

7:45 – Registration

8:15 a.m. Networking with Sponsors/Exhibitors

8:30 – Welcome

9:00 a.m. Joann Wray, DNP, RN, CNE and KNA Enterprise President

9:00 – We're Not Blessing Hearts Anymore! High Time for Deliberate Action

10:00 a.m. Katie Boston-Leary, PhD, MBA, MHA, RN, NEA-BC, FADLN, FAONL

10:00– 10:10 a.m. – BREAK

10:10 – Kentucky 2025 Legislative Session Update

11:00 a.m. Julie Denton, KNA Lobbyist and President, The Denton Group

11:00– 11:10 a.m. – BREAK

11:10 – Panel Discussion #1: Leadership and Advocacy Academy (LAA)

12:10 p.m. Moderated by Lisa Lockhart, MSN, MHA, BSN, RN-BC and Chair of KNA Leadership, Membership, Recruitment, and Retention Committee

Panelists include:

LAA Fellows

12:10 –

12:30 p.m. **LAA Graduation Ceremony**

12:30 – 1:00 p.m. – LUNCH

Networking with Sponsors/Exhibitors

1:00 – Malpractice Insights: Top Liability Concerns for Nurses in Leadership

1:50 p.m. Lynn Pierce, MSN, APRN, FNP-C

1:50 – 2:00 p.m. – BREAK

2:00 – Panel Discussion #2: Legislation in Action

3:00 p.m. Moderated by April Hester, MSN, APRN, RNA, and KNA Board Member, Co-Chair of KNA Governmental Affairs Cabinet

Panelists include:

State Senator Steve Meredith

State Representative Michael Meredith

State Representative Rebecca Raymer

3:00 – Evaluation and Wrap-up

3:15 p.m.



****Governor Beshear will make an appearance; we will adjust our agenda will be flexible to meet his timeframe.***