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# From Bedside to Beachside Join Us at NTI in San Diego!

We're heading west for sunshine, surf and a lot to celebrate at AACN's National Teaching Institute & Critical Care Exposition. San Diego's 70 miles of coastline, ideal weather and welcoming vibe set the stage for four unforgettable days of learning, connection and inspiration.

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## Demonstrate the Value: How NTI Attendance Supports Your Unit's Strategic Vision

Prepare for success and build a strong business case to attend AACN's National Teaching Institute & Critical Care Exposition (NTI) in San Diego, May 18-20, 2026 (preconferences are May 17) or virtually June 15-17.

Identify and clearly communicate how your attendance will specifically benefit your institution, your unit, your team members and you. Illustrate in detail how NTI educational offerings support your institution's or unit's strategic initiatives and your professional development needs.

The NTI return on investment (ROI) tools ([www.aacn.org/ntiroitools](http://www.aacn.org/ntiroitools)) will help you and your colleagues build a strong case.

### **Our step-by-step guide helps organize and optimize your NTI learning experience:**

- Complete the My NTI Learning Plan worksheet.
- Use the worksheet to plan your program using the goals, topics and learning resources you identified.
- Then, use the same worksheet to customize the "Letter to Manager" template provided.

### **To complete the above steps successfully, you and your colleagues will need to know**

- **Your unit's or organization's strategic priorities.** If these are not clear to you, ask your unit manager what the top priorities are for your team. Information on institutional strategic priorities also might be available on a hospital intranet site.
- **Your professional development goals.** If you and your manager have agreed on your professional development plan for the coming year, capture those goals in your NTI proposal along with other goals you may have.
- **NTI 2026 educational offerings.** Go to [www.aacn.org/ntisessions](http://www.aacn.org/ntisessions) to find the combination of sessions — by level, category or subspecialty — that is right for you and your organization.

### **How you can help:**

- Encourage your colleagues/chapter members to use the NTI ROI tools. Show them where to find them on the AACN website ([www.aacn.org/ntiroitools](http://www.aacn.org/ntiroitools)).
- Review the NTI ROI tools so you are prepared to answer questions your colleagues/chapter members might have or to offer suggestions.
- Prepare a sample NTI "Letter to Manager" based on your unit's or organization's strategic priorities, and share it with your colleagues/chapter members.
- Organize a group session to prepare a team NTI proposal for your unit, or conduct a chapter workshop to help members prepare their proposals.

**Additional NTI information is available at [www.aacn.org/nti](http://www.aacn.org/nti). Thank you so much, and we'll see you soon, in person or virtually!**