

AORN Mission:

To empower preoperative nurses in advancing patient & workplace safety through education and research.



Florence Nightingale serves as the inspiration for the AORN 2025–2026 presidential theme of Darlene Murdock, “**Lighting the Pathway**”. From Florence Nightingale to the present day, nurses continue to light the pathway for transformative change within health care organizations and communities.



Vendor Partnership

Together with AORN Mission Partners: “AORN is advancing preoperative excellence & supporting the OR professionals who make safe surgery possible”. Thank you to all the vendors for their continuous support for nursing education & patient safety. New this year, the vendors had specific codes for their educational session. The reason for the codes this year is related to accreditation. The companies are now required to provide a code to users to access the evaluation.



The Global Surgical Conference



AORN Community Groups

Nursing Network:

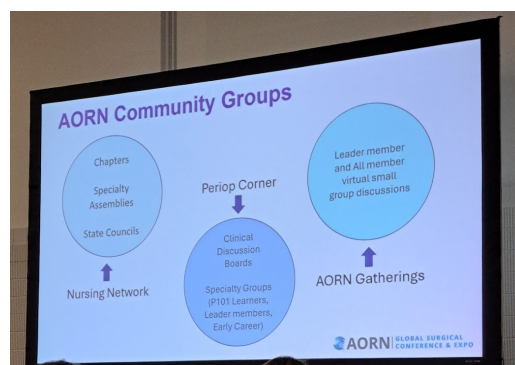
- Chapters
- Specialty Assemblies
- State Councils

Periop Corner:

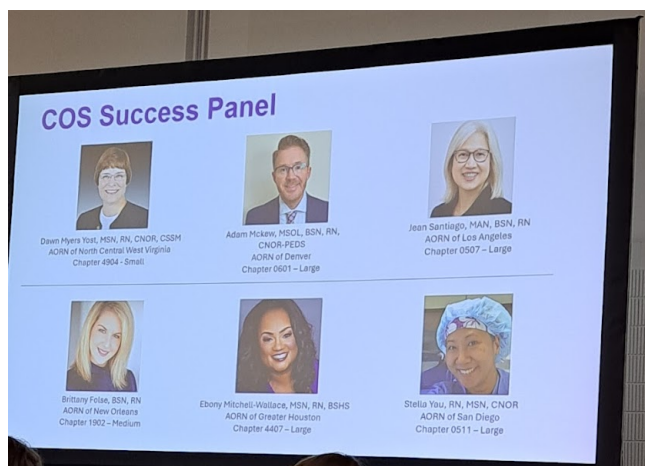
- Clinical Discussion Boards
- Specialty Groups (Periop 101 Learners, Leader Members, Early Career)

AORN Gatherings:

- Leader Member
- All Member virtual small group discussion



Chapter Officer Success Panel



AORN Foundation



Education

- Two new grant programs were introduced to open doors for leadership and professional certification opportunities.
- More than 250 nurses received professional development and certification grants, helping them grow at every stage of their careers.
- Hit a record-breaking milestone for scholarships with 169 students supported.
- Encouraged corporate partnerships, that supported education and leadership events that make a lasting impact.
- Started new initiatives to share our story and show the difference your support makes

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Events

Industry Sponsored Events Supported By the AORN Foundation

In Person	Virtual
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• AORN Global Surgical Conference & Expo• OR Excellence Conference• Executive Roundtable• Guideline Workshops (6 events)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• OR Leadership Essentials: Finance & Operations Series• 6 Industry Sponsored Webinars• 8 Industry Sponsored Leader Exchange Webinars

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Recognition & Awards



Surgical Expo Hall







**ATTN: AORN 1411 PERIOP NURSES
DINNER/EDUCATION WITH KERECIS
TUESDAY, MAY 12, 5:30 PM
PERRY'S STEAKHOUSE IN SCHAUMBURG
RSVP ONLY <https://forms.gle/ZxJZ1eZrevUGYgYW8>
ANY QUESTION? PLS ASK CHERRY**