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2026 CACNS ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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Saturday, October 3, 2026
7:00 AM - 3:30 PM



H. Marcus Radin Conference Center
2755 Herndon Avenue, Clovis, CA 93611

Conference Objectives

- Describe at least one (1) system-level clinical initiative, electronic health record enhancement, or protocol intervention that improves quality, safety, and patient outcomes across healthcare settings.
- Identify at least two (2) evidence-based strategies that reduce patient complications, prevent hospital-acquired conditions, and improve outcomes in acute and critical care populations.
- Discuss at least one (1) leadership, educational, or interdisciplinary collaboration strategy that advances Clinical Nurse Specialist practice, influences policy, and improves patient care outcomes.

Conference Agenda

7:00 AM - 7:30 AM	Registration, Breakfast, Exhibitor & Poster Setup
7:30 AM - 8:00 AM	Breakfast, CACNS President Welcome & Business Meeting <i>Olena Svetlov, DNP, BA, APRN, AGNP/CNS, CCRN, PHN, NE, FCNS, FCCM</i>
8:00 AM - 8:30 AM	Welcome from the Mayor of Clovis & California Assembly Members <i>Clovis Mayor Vong Mouanoutoua; California Representative David Tangipa; Congressman Jim Costa</i>
8:30 AM - 9:15 AM	Know It, Drive It, Own It: Strategies for Understanding, Driving & Measuring Clinical Nurse Specialist Impact <i>Kathleen Vollman, MSN, RN, CCNS, FCCM, FCNS, FAAN</i>
9:15 AM - 10:00 AM	Networking Break, Exhibitors & Poster Presentations
10:00 AM - 10:20 AM	We Cannot Be Colorblind: How CNSs Can Improve Outcomes in Patients with Medium and Dark Skin Tones <i>Rachel Daniels, MS, RN, AGCNS-BC, CWON</i>
10:20 AM - 10:40 AM	HAPI Hour: Cheers to Daily Rounds for Preventing Device-Related Pressure Injuries <i>Ruben Lopez, MSN, RN, ACCNS-AG, NPD-BC, CCRN, SCRIN</i>
10:40 AM - 10:55 AM	Refreshment Break, Exhibitors & Poster Presentations
10:55 AM - 11:15 AM	Standardizing Peripheral Administration of 3% Hypertonic Saline in the ICU: An Evidence-Based Practice Initiative to Improve Safety & Workflow <i>Thuy Truong, RN, BSN, CCRN</i>
11:15 AM - 11:35 AM	Improving Neurological Deterioration Identification through an Updated EHR Neurological Nursing Assessment <i>Tess Slazinski, DNP-APRN, RN, CCRN, CNRN, SCRIN, CCNS, FCNS</i>
11:35 AM - 12:45 PM	Lunch, Exhibitors & Poster Presentations
12:45 PM - 1:05 PM	Reducing Severe Neonatal Intraventricular Hemorrhage Using an Interdisciplinary Care Bundle <i>Diana Cormier, DNP, MPH, BSN, APRN-CNS, RNC-NIC</i>
1:05 PM - 1:25 PM	Bug Off CLABSI: Innovative CHG Protocol to Reduce CLABSI Rates in a Level III NICU <i>Diana Cormier, DNP, MPH, BSN, APRN-CNS, RNC-NIC; Kristen Holman, MS, RNC-NIC</i>
1:25 PM - 1:45 PM	Presentation, Structure, and Storytelling of Perinatal Loss Memory Boxes <i>Elizabeth Drake, PhD, RN</i>
1:45 PM - 2:15 PM	Networking Break, Exhibitors & Poster Presentations
2:15 PM - 3:00 PM	Amplify: Turning Visibility into Action <i>Jackeline Iseler, DNP, MSN, RN, ACNS-BC, CNE, FCNS</i>
3:00 PM - 3:30 PM	CACNS President Closing Remarks, Evaluations & Adjournment <i>Olena Svetlov, DNP, BA, APRN, AGNP/CNS, CCRN, PHN, NE, FCNS, FCCM</i>

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Speaker Biographies



**Kathleen Vollman, MSN, RN,
CCNS, FCCM, FCNS, FAAN**

Kathleen Vollman is a Critical Care Clinical Nurse Specialist and Consultant. She has published and lectured nationally and internationally on a variety of pulmonary, critical care, prevention of healthcare-acquired injuries, including pressure injury and CAUTI/CLABSI's and other HAI's, work culture, and sepsis recognition and management. She serves as a subject-matter expert on these topics for the American Hospital Association and the Michigan Hospital Association. From 1989 to 2003, she served as Clinical Nurse Specialist for the Medical ICUs at Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Michigan. Currently, her company, ADVANCING NURSING LLC, focuses on creating empowered work environments for healthcare practitioners by developing stronger skills, increasing knowledge, and implementing process improvements. Ms. Vollman is the president of the World Federation of Critical Care Nurses and serves on the board of directors for the National Pressure Injury Advisory Panel.



**Jackeline Iseler, DNP, MSN,
RN, ACNS-BC, CNE, FCNS**

Jackeline (Jackie) Iseler is an Associate Professor and Program Director of the Clinical Nurse Specialist program at Grand Valley State University's Kirkhof College of Nursing. She also practices as a Clinical Nurse Specialist at Trinity Health Grand Rapids, where she leads initiatives in evidence-based practice, quality improvement, and nursing scholarship. With over two decades of advanced practice experience, Dr. Iseler's clinical expertise is rooted in cardiovascular care, heart and lung transplant, and ventricular assist device management. She built her clinical foundation at Mayo Clinic before serving as the first certified Clinical Nurse Specialist at Spectrum Health, where she developed and led Cardiovascular, Heart and Lung Transplant, and VAD programs. Her work in LVAD patient management has influenced practice and education internationally, including incorporation into international guidelines in 2023, and has shaped percutaneous coronary intervention standards across Michigan and the United Kingdom. At Trinity Health Grand Rapids, Dr. Iseler leads system-level efforts to strengthen evidence-based practice infrastructure, build research capacity, and advance measurable improvements in patient outcomes. She mentors nurses across career stages in the design, implementation, and dissemination of practice-based scholarship. She serves as President of the National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists (NACNS), advancing national efforts in policy, research, and CNS role visibility.

Poster Presentations

P1 – From Confusion to Clarity: Using Escape Rooms to Enhance Acute Care Education in Delirium Prevention, Identification, and Management for Hospitalized Older Adults

*Krystal Pombo, MSN, RN, CNS, AGCNS-BC
Kaiser Permanente Fresno Medical Center*

P2 – Accuracy Matters: Leveraging HAPI Clinical Expertise to Reduce Reporting Errors

*Judy Mason, MSN, RN, CCRN, CWON
Community Health System*

P3 – Safety Starts with U: A Unit Practice Council (UPC)-Led Education Initiative to Improve Workplace Violence Knowledge in the Nursing Float Team

*Christine Kunkel, MSN, RN, AGCNS-BC, PCCN
UCLA Health*

P4 – Nurse Driven Innovation to Reduce CLABSI Risk in Immunocompromised Oncology Patients

*Mary Lawanson-Nichols, MSN, RN, CNS, NP, CCRN, FCNS
UCLA Health*

P5 – Enhancing Resuscitation Outcomes Through CPR Metric Case Studies: A Quality Improvement Initiative

*Annabel Nwokonna, DNP, APRN, AGCNS-BC, PMHNP-BC, CCRN
Olive View-UCLA Medical Center*

P6 – Strengthening Peer Feedback and Professional Practice Engagement Through Emerging Nurse Leader-Led Structure Coaching

*Christine Walden, BSN, RN, PCCN
Kaiser Permanente Fresno Medical Center*

P7 – Targeted Support to Increase Specialty Nursing Certification

*Lauren Collins, MN, APRN-CNS, ACCNS-P, CCRN, CPN, CHSE, NPD-BC
Cedars-Sinai Guerin Children's*

P8 – Leading Safer Outpatient Infusion Care: An Oncology CNS-Led Initiative to Improve Infiltration and Extravasation Management

*Jason Leung, MSN, RN, AGCNS-BC, OCN, MEDSURG-BC
UCSF Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center*

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