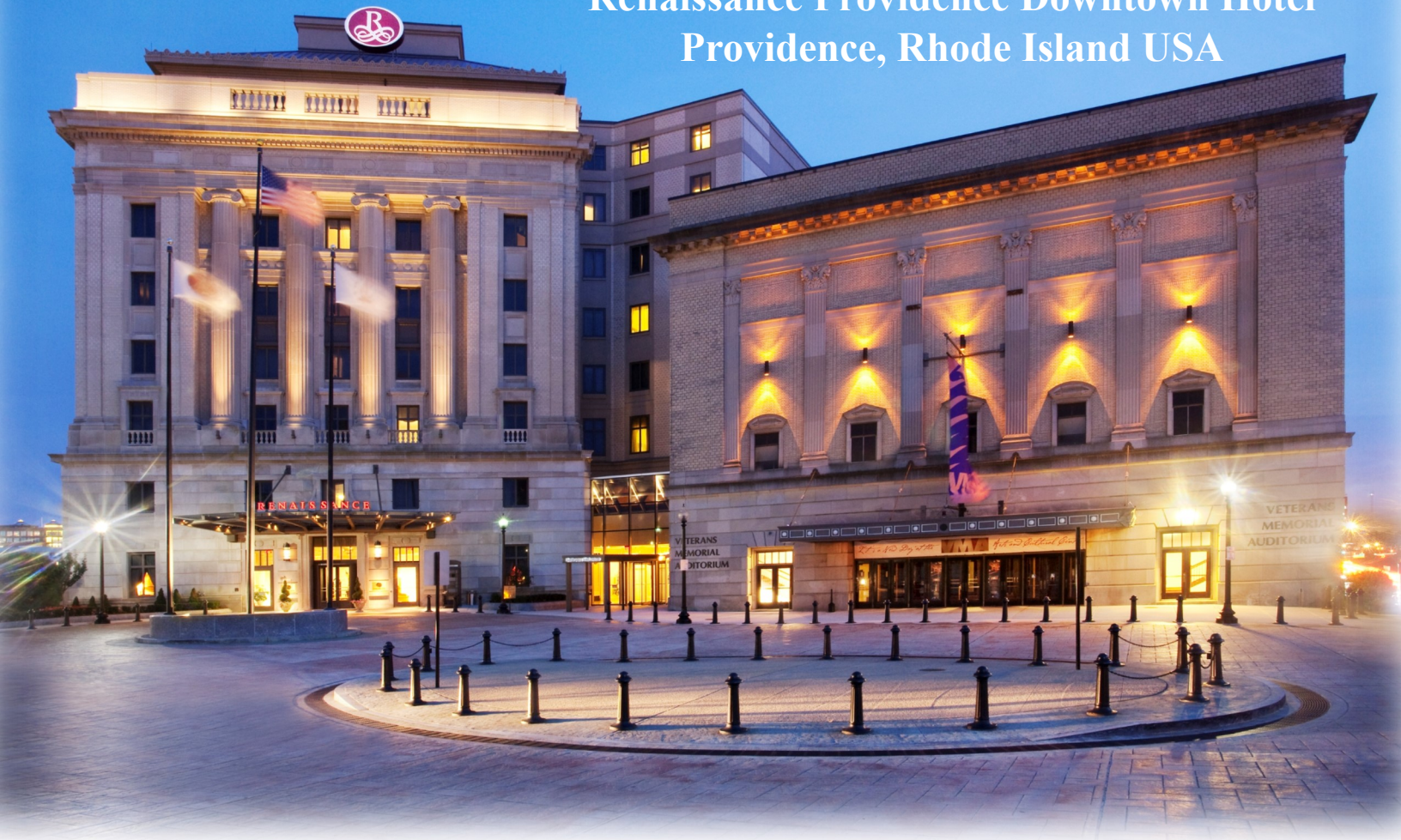


*Clinical Research Nursing:
Incorporating Professional Scope and Standards to
Advance the Coordination and Care of Research Participants*

Renaissance Providence Downtown Hotel
Providence, Rhode Island USA



Preliminary Program



2017 IACRN 9th Annual Conference

Pre-Conference - October 18, 2017

Conference - October 19-20, 2017

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Dear Friend and Colleague,

It is with great enthusiasm that I personally invite you to the 9th International Association of Clinical Research Nurses Annual Conference! This year's theme is *Clinical Research Nursing: Incorporating Professional Scope and Standards of Practice to Advance the Coordination and Care of Research Participants*.

The IACRN conference offers you an opportunity to network with international clinical research nurses, exchange best practices and learn from experts. Many prominent speakers, along with information-packed workshops, will fill the agenda. We would be delighted to have you join us at this conference to hear what our national and international colleagues have to share about clinical research.

As IACRN makes strides to advance clinical research nursing practice globally, I encourage you to become involved. You will hear important updates from the Board and Committee Chairs during the Annual Business Meeting on Thursday. This may help you identify an area of interest.

I look forward to the opportunity to learn and celebrate clinical research nursing with you!

Most Sincerely,



Margaret McCabe

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Conference Fee Schedule & Registration

The Conference registration fee includes two continental breakfasts, two luncheons, three refreshment breaks and a reception. Take advantage of the early discount and register early.

Member Early Registration Discount.....\$459 (Registration must be made by Friday, September 8, 2017)	Pre-Conference Day only fee.....\$200
Member Regular Registration\$499 (After Friday, September 8, 2017)	Thursday only (with reception)\$350
*Non-Member Early Registration Discount\$559 (Registration must be made by Friday, September 8, 2017)	Friday only.....\$250
*Non-Member Regular Registration\$599 (After Friday, September 8, 2017)	
Student\$200	

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Conference Registration

Additional Pre-Conference workshops can be added to a full registration for \$150.

All cancellations must be received in writing by emailing Jessica@iacrn.org. A \$50.00 USD administrative fee will be deducted from cancellations received up to 14 days in advance. After that time, no refunds can be made. For more information please contact IACRN at Jessica@iacrn.org or +1 412-343-2235.

Hotel Information & Reservations



Renaissance Providence Downtown Hotel
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Housed in a historic 1920's era building, the Renaissance Providence Downtown Hotel provides the perfect blend of modern luxury and comfort in a relaxing downtown hotel. This 4-star hotel offers a convenient location within close proximity to Providence Place Mall, Riverwalk & Waterplace Park, Brown University, Providence College and the Providence Performing Art Center or for visiting the beautiful state of Rhode Island.

Hotel Reservations

IACRN Conference Discounted Rates

\$189 single/double occupancy, plus taxes

Please reserve your room by September 14, 2017 to receive this special rate. After this date, rooms will be subject to prevailing rates and availability. This special group room rate is available for your stay from October 17 - 21, 2017. Cancellations must be completed 72 hours prior to arrival. Phone +1-866-639-9694 and ask for *Intl Clinical Nurses* or use the link for online reservations.

Hotel Amenities

- Coffee shop/café
- Fireplace in lobby
- Health club
- Restaurant
- Snack bar/deli
- Bar/Lounge
- Complimentary Wi-Fi

Hotel Parking

- Valet parking with unlimited in and out privileges is offered at a special rate of \$23/day for IACRN Conference attendees.
- Rate is \$15/day for event parking.

Travel Details

The Providence Airport (PVD) is located 11 miles from the hotel. Travel options from the airport include:

- Taxi at approximately \$40/each way
- Bus service at \$1.50/each way
- Subway service at \$2.25/each way

A commuter train is available from Boston Logan Airport for \$11.50/each way. The travel time to downtown Providence is one hour and the stop is located two blocks from the hotel.

Wednesday, October 18, 2017 Pre-Conference Agenda

8:00am - 4:00pm

Track 1—The CRN as Study Coordinator: Overview of Responsibilities

Clinical Research Nurses (CRNs) have many roles within the clinical research enterprise. One role is that of the study coordinator. The CRN study coordinator's (CRNSC) role is multi-faceted and may vary based on the clinical research setting. As a member of the research team, the CRNSC ensures: adherence to the ethical standards for clinical and research care, protocol compliance, integrity of the informed consent process, appropriate management of clinical research participants, management of source and essential documents, integrity of the research data, and appropriate financial stewardship. This all-day Pre-Conference workshop will provide an overview of these various responsibilities of a novice (<2 years CRNSC). The responsibilities of the CRN study coordinator will be woven throughout these important topics.

8:00am - 4:00pm

Track 2**Ethical and Regulatory Considerations in the Genomic Era (8:00am - 11:30am)**

Elucidating the role of genomic variation in health, disease risk, illness, and treatment response has the potential to revolutionize the scope of information generated from clinical research. Genomic science and technologies influence the entire healthcare continuum and are fundamental components of research. This presentation explores the fundamentals of genomics impact on conducting research including the regulatory considerations.

Leadership Development: Are You Up for the Challenge? (12:30pm - 4:00pm)

This Pre-Conference session will utilize several tools to describe leadership development concepts and competencies. Clinical Research Nurses (CRNs) will receive training on the creation of a mission and vision statement and an individual leadership development plan. Tools for self-assessment of leadership style and emotional intelligence will aid them in identifying their personal leadership strengths and limitations. CRNs will be provided information on the essential components of collaboration and teamwork including professional communication, problem-solving techniques, and the basics of leading a meeting. The ability to assess the professional climate and influence change will assist in strategic planning for future growth of the organization. Finally, CRNs will be taught how to develop an action plan and select a mentor. Leadership development and mentorship of CRNs at all levels within the specialty strengthen coalitions and support organizational goals.

8:00am - 4:00pm

Track 3—The Art of Advocacy: Putting CRN Scope and Standards into Action in your Institution

The Scope and Standards of Practice for Clinical Research Nurses was approved by the ANA in August of 2016. The publication of the Scope and Standards was the first step in providing a tool for Clinical Research Nurses to "guide specialty nurses in the application of their professional knowledge, skills, and responsibilities (ANA, 2016)". The challenge now lies in application of this document in local settings where CRNs practice. Nurses have been ranked the most trusted professional in the Nation for the 15th year in a row (ANA, 2016). Nurses work hard to advocate for patients, but it is not clear they have the necessary skills to advocate effectively for their own practice issues (Tomajan, 2012). This pre-conference will introduce CRNs to political competency and basic advocacy skills that can be applied to their practice settings to affect policy change. Empowering nurses to have critical conversations in an effective manner will help disseminate the important role of the CRN. Using the Scope and Standards as a foundation, talking points and tools will be developed for use in role play at the pre-conference and for use in the CRNs practice setting. Expanding on these advocacy concepts will also provide the skills to have similar conversations at the governmental level, both locally and nationally.

4:45pm - 5:45pm

Informational Sessions

Chapter Governance	Membership, Marketing & Communication	How to Write a Position Statement
<i>Jonathan Roland, MS, BSN, RN</i> The Ottawa Hospital Ottawa, Ontario, Canada	<i>Georgie Cusack, MS, RN, AOCNS</i> National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute Bethesda, Maryland	<i>Margaret McCabe, PhD, RN</i> Boston Children's Hospital Boston, Massachusetts

Thursday, October 19, 2017 - Conference Day 1 Agenda

7:00am - 5:00pm Registration

7:30am - 8:30am Continental Breakfast

8:35am - 8:45am Welcome—IACRN President
Margaret McCabe, PhD, RN
 Director of Nursing Research for Medicine Patient Services
 Boston Children's Hospital
 Boston, Massachusetts

8:45am - 10:00am **Keynote Address**
Patricia Hickey, PhD, MBA, RN, FAAN
 Vice President, Cardiovascular and Critical Care
 Associate Chief Nursing Officer
 Boston Children's Hospital
 Boston, Massachusetts

10:00am - 10:30am Refreshment Break / Visit Exhibits / Posters

10:30am - 11:30am **Plenary - Harnessing Your Political Power**
Janet Haebler, MSN, RN
 Senior Associate Director for State Government Affairs
 American Nurses Association
 Silver Spring, Maryland

11:30am - 12:30pm **Plenary Session**

12:30pm - 2:00pm Lunch / Business Meeting

2:00pm - 3:00pm	Breakout Session 1A	Breakout Session 1B	Breakout Session 1C
3:00pm - 4:00pm	Breakout Session 2A	Breakout Session 2B	Breakout Session 2C

4:00pm - 4:30pm Refreshment Break / Visit Exhibits / Posters

4:30pm - 5:30pm **Plenary Session - Using CRN Scope and Standards to Guide Practice: An International Perspective**
Susan Hamer, PhD
 Director of Nursing, Learning and Organizational Development
 National Institute for Health Research
 Leeds, United Kingdom

5:30pm - 5:45pm End of Day Wrap-Up
Margaret McCabe, PhD, RN
 Director of Nursing Research for Medicine Patient Services
 Boston Children's Hospital
 Boston, Massachusetts

5:45pm - 7:45pm Poster Session and Networking Reception

Friday, October 20, 2017 - Conference Day 2 Agenda

7:00am - 2:00pm Registration

7:30am - 8:30am Continental Breakfast

7:30am - 8:30am	Membership, Marketing & Communications Committee Meeting	Research Committee Meeting	Chapter Governance Committee Meeting
	Nominations Committee Meeting	Education Committee Meeting	

8:30am - 10:00am **Plenary Session**

10:00am - 10:30am Refreshment Break / Visit Exhibits / Posters

10:30am - 11:30am	Breakout Session 1A	Breakout Session 1B	Breakout Session 1C
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11:30am - 12:30pm Lunch

12:30pm - 1:30pm	Breakout Session 2A	Breakout Session 2B	Breakout Session 2C
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1:30pm - 2:30pm **Endnote - Clinical Research Nursing: Empowering our Participants, Empowering Each Other**
Sara Dolan Looby, PhD, ANP-BC, FAAN
Nurse Scientist, Principal Investigator - Neuroendocrine Unit, Assistant Professor of Medicine
Massachusetts General Hospital
Boston, Massachusetts

2:30pm - 2:45pm Closing Remarks
Margaret McCabe, PhD, RN
Director of Nursing Research for Medicine Patient Services
Boston Children's Hospital
Boston, Massachusetts

2:00pm - 2:30pm Announcements