

Neuroscience Nursing ANNUAL CONFERENCE

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**SATURDAY,
March 21,
to TUESDAY,
March 24, 2026**

Sheraton Dallas Hotel
Dallas, TX



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HOURS!**

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New Format in 2026!

The Annual Conference has been reimagined for 2026! This exciting new format brings together the best of the Advances in Stroke Care Conference, Neuro-APP Symposium, and Annual Conference content into one powerful event tailored to meet all your professional development needs. Whether you're looking for mixed-neuro tracks, advanced practice provider content, or stroke-focused sessions, there's something for everyone. Dive into specialized topics, like neuroanatomy or writing and publishing journal articles, and explore the evolving roles of advanced practice providers across the country. Don't miss this opportunity to learn, connect, and grow in your neuro nursing career!

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to view the full schedule,
read session descriptions,
and register!

PRE-CONFERENCE SESSIONS | Saturday, March 21

Pre-con sessions are extra-cost events not included in the Annual Conference registration fee. Preregistration is required.

9 AM–4 PM CT

SCRN Review Course

Michelle Dedeo,

DNP RN ARNP-CNS ACCNS-AG CCRN SCRN

The SCRN Review Course will provide a comprehensive review of stroke content for nurses preparing for the SCRN® exam as well as for nurses interested in updating, enhancing, and increasing their knowledge base in stroke patient care settings. Topics include anatomy and physiology, stroke assessment, ischemic stroke, hemorrhagic stroke, and stroke systems of care. Join your peers who are taking the next step in their professional growth and preparing to become Stroke Certified Registered Nurses!

9 AM–4 PM CT

Stroke Coordinator Boot Camp

Erin Conahan, MSN RN ACNS-BC CNRN SCRN PHRN

Claranne Mathiesen, MSN RN CCRN SCRN FAHA

Calling all new and experienced recruits! This pre-con is designed to provide education specific to the role of the stroke coordinator. Sessions will focus on the evolving role of the stroke coordinator, tactics for successful program and meeting management, integration of data and research, and hot topics in stroke care and certification. Collaborate with colleagues from across the country to improve stroke care and leverage the coordinator role to lead successful stroke teams.

OPENING SPEAKER

Sunday, March 22

1–2 PM CT

The Making of Medical Heroes: A Story of Hope, Healing, and Teamwork



Jim Tracy

Join Jim Tracy as he shares a deeply personal and powerful journey that transformed pain into purpose. Through the story of his wife's medical crisis, a vertebral artery tear, Jim takes us behind the scenes of a complex case, highlighting the critical moments, key decisions, and collaborative efforts that shaped the outcome. Along the way, he introduces the challenges and celebrates the heroes: the medical professionals whose choices made all the difference. Jim's story offers an inspiring look at resilience, teamwork, and what it truly means to be a medical hero for patients and their families.

CLOSING SPEAKER

Tuesday, March 24

10:20–11:20 AM CT

Patient, Provider, Participant: One Woman's Journey Navigating Health Care with a Disability



Chanda Hinton

At the age of nine, Chanda Hinton's life was forever changed. Through her experience navigating the world with a long-term physical disability, Chanda has made it her mission to empower and encourage individuals in various healthcare positions to acknowledge and improve upon healthcare barriers for this population. Chanda will share her story about her experience as a patient in the healthcare system and how she founded the Chanda Center for Health to provide access to holistic, collaborative, accessible, and disability competent healthcare programs for individuals with physical disabilities and their families.

Join us in Dallas for a bigger and better Annual Conference!

Dallas, TX, is the perfect backdrop for the AANN Annual Conference, offering a vibrant mix of culture, cuisine, and southern hospitality that makes attending both professionally rewarding and personally memorable. Make the most of your trip by combining top-tier neuro nursing education with an unforgettable experience in one of Texas's most dynamic cities!



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REGISTRATION FEE

**AANN
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\$590**

Nonmember	\$820
Student	\$300
1-Day	\$315
Pre-Conference Session	\$150

CONFERENCE HOTEL



Sheraton Dallas Hotel

400 Olive Street, Dallas, TX 75201

Rate: \$249 (plus tax)

Reservation Center: 214.922.8000

(Refer to group name: AANN)

Cutoff Date: Wednesday, February 25, 2026

Reservation Link: [AANN.org/PlanYourTrip](https://aann.org/PlanYourTrip)

WAYS TO SAVE

1. Save when you register on or before Wednesday, February 25, 2026. The registration rate increases \$100 after February 25!
2. AANN members save \$230 on registration.
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*What past Annual Conference
attendees had to say about their
experiences:*

“ Being my first
conference fresh out of
nursing school, I learned so
much! Some of the seminars
elaborated on topics that
were just touched upon in
school. Amazing conference!”

“ I really enjoyed the
conference! It was well
organized, great topics, creative
offerings, and meaningful
giveaways. I left the conference
proud and inspired to be
a neuroscience nurse.”



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