

The Future of Nursing in Mississippi



Mississippi Nurses' Association 2025 LEGISLATIVE NURSING SUMMIT

28th Year Anniversary

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

7:30 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Jackson Convention Complex / 105 East Pascagoula Street

7:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. Registration & Career Fair/Exhibits (Main Lobby)

8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. National Anthem & Welcome (Hall A)

Melody Kneezel, BSN & Alena Groves, DNP, APRN, FNP-C, ONP-C, Vice-President, Mississippi Nurses' Association Board of Directors

9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Update from the MS Board of Nursing (Hall A)

Priscilla Burks, PhD, Director of Practical Nursing Education, Mississippi Board of Nursing (1.0 c/h)

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Policy & Politics (Hall A)

Becky Currie, RN, Mississippi House of Representatives District 92 (0.5 c/h)

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Policy & Politics (Hall A)

Donnie Scoggin, FNP, Mississippi House of Representatives District 89 (0.5 c/h)

11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Impact of MNA-PAC (Hall A)

Mary Ellen Stewart, PhD, RN, Director, MNA Council on Health Affairs (0.25 c/h)

11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Career Fair/Exhibits (Main Lobby)

12:15 p.m. – 12:45 p.m. Lunch (Hall A)

12:45 p.m. – 2:15 p.m. Lunch Presentation (Hall A)

Empowering Nurses: Critical Thinking, Professional Involvement & Legislative Advocacy

Caley Stogner, DNP, RN (1.5 c/h)

2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Break

2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. Nurse Panel Discussion (Hall A)

The Power of Nurse Advocacy: From Classroom to Career

Carl Mangum, PhD, PMHNP-BC, NHDP-BC; Alena Groves, DNP, APRN, FNP-C, ONP-C; Mary Ellen Stewart, PhD, RN & Deloris Slade, PhD, DNP, FNP-BC (1.25 c/h)

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"5.0 contact hours will be awarded to RNs & APRNs upon completion of this activity."

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