



## Mississippi Nurses' Association 2025 LEGISLATIVE NURSING SUMMIT 28<sup>th</sup> 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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