2025 CAAHEP Symposium

Collaboration in Action: Enhance Outcomes Together!

January 17-18 - Renaissance Orlando Resort and Spa
Lake Buena Vista, FL

AGENDA

Thursday, January 16, 2025

1:00 PM – 5:00 PM	**Symposium Registration Open**
1:00 PM – 7:00 PM	**Exhibitor/Sponsor Setup**

Friday, January 17, 2025

7:00 AM – 2:00 PM	**Symposium Registration and Exhibits Open**
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	**Commissioners Recognition and Breakfast**
9:00 AM	**Welcome and Introductions**, *Barry S. Eckert, Ph.D., FASAHP, CAAHEP President*
9:15 AM – 10:30 AM	**Keynote Address:** **Fostering Successful Transition from Student to Professional** *Cheryl Love, BSN, RN, MBA, BS-HCA, CPHRM, CPHQ, Chief Clinical and Patient Safety Officer, Florida Hospital Association*
10:30 AM – 10:45 AM	**Break Exhibits Open**
10:45 AM – 12:00 PM	**CAAHEP Strategic Plan Update and Q&A** *Barry S. Eckert, Ph.D., FASAHP, CAAHEP President, and Gina Scarboro, D.B.A., CAA, Executive Director*
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	**Lunch and Exhibits Open**
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	**Higher Education Accreditation: Strategies for Advocacy, Communication, and Collaboration** *Zach Waymer, MPA, Government Affairs Officer, Higher Learning Commission*
2:00 PM – 2:15 PM	**Break Exhibits Open**
2:15 PM – 3:15 PM	**Undue Influence on Academic Accrediting Bodies and Professional Certifying Boards Is Forbidden: A Case Study from Medical Assisting** *Donald A. Balasa, JD, MBA, CEO and Legal Counsel, American Association of Medical Assistants*
3:15 PM – 3:30 PM	**Break Exhibits Open**
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM	**Registered Apprenticeships and Accredited Programs: Point/Counterpoint**

	Teddy Farias, D.C., M.S., M.T.A.A., C.C.M.A., Dean - Health and Natural Sciences at San Jacinto College, Eboni Saurage, Ed.D., MS, BSHSc, ASST, CST, Dean of Nursing and Allied Health, Baton Rouge Community College, and Narine Mirijanian, Ed.D., Dean of Health and Public Services, Macomb Community College
4:30 PM – 5:30 PM	**Exhibitor Engagement** An opportunity for attendees to engage with the sponsors and exhibitors of the CAAHEP Symposium, who are enthusiastic about sharing an overview of their products and services.
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM	**Welcome Reception and William W. Goding Exceptional Service Award Ceremony**

Saturday, January 18, 2025

7:45 AM – 8:45 AM	**Breakfast and Exhibits Open**
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	**Ethics at the Bedside: The History of Clinical Ethics and the Current State of the Profession** *Ellen Fox, MD, Fox Ethics Consulting, and Cristie Cole Horsburgh, JD, CFAB, Co-Director, Cleveland Fellowship in Advanced Bioethics*
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	**Navigating a Change in Minimum Award: From Education and Standards to CLIA Recognition** *Jenna LeBlanc, MS, CT(ASCP), Program Director, Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences, Moderator, Amy Spiczka, MS, HTL(ASCP)^{CM}SCT, MB^{CM}, CPHQ, Executive Director, ASCP Board of Certification, Michele Smith, MS, SCT(ASCP), Graduate Program Manager, University of Wisconsin – Madison, and Catherine Bammert, Ph.D., CT, MB(ASCP), CT(IAC), Program Director, UT MD Anderson Cancer Center*
11:00 AM – 11:15 AM	**Break Exhibits Open**
11:15 AM – 12:15 PM	**Washington Update** *James Keller, JD, Partner, Higher Education and Practice Co-Chair, Saul Ewing, LLC*
12:15 PM – 12:30 PM	**Closing Remarks** *Gina Scarboro, D.B.A., CAA, Executive Director, CAAHEP*
12:30 PM – 3:30 PM	**Exhibitors breakdown**