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The American Association of Heart Failure Nurses (AAHFN) is the only association dedicated to heart failure nurses. *We care* by providing you with customized education, support for the demands and challenges of caring for patients with heart failure, and career advancement opportunities.
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**AAHFN Annual Conference**
The annual conference is the premiere educational event designed for nurses and all levels of healthcare professionals who treat heart failure. Everyone gathers around a common goal of improving patient care to network, learn the latest advances in patient assessment, treatment, and research, covering topics such as device therapy, mechanical circulatory support, pulmonary hypertension, disease management programs, medication management, palliative care, and much more. Conference attendees return to their facilities well equipped with new knowledge and tools to perform quality patient care and increase patient outcomes.

**Heart & Lung - The Journal of Acute & Critical Care**
The official journal of AAHFN presents original, peer-reviewed articles on techniques, advances, investigations, and observations related to the care of patients with acute and chronic cardiac or pulmonary disorders. Access to both the journal articles in print and online will provide you with evidence vital to your clinical practice and the development of research aims for future funding proposals.

**The Connection - The AAHFN Newsletter**
The AAHFN Newsletter: The quarterly newsletter provides timely information covering all of the key clinical areas of heart failure and so much more. The Connection also covers nursing-specific challenges by addressing patient emotions, caregiver support, time management, managing stress, and other topics important to nurses.

**Online Education Center**
Located on the AAHFN website, the Education Center is a repository of continuing educational activities, covering a wide array of heart failure related activities, easily accessible anytime, anywhere. Different learning formats are developed with nursing needs in mind, including learner-paced courses, recorded sessions, case studies, and videos. Use for yourself or as a training tool for other nurses in your facility.

“Participating in the AAHFN annual conference is like no other conference experience! To network, learn, share and laugh with other heart failure nurses and professionals is a unique experience unsurpassed by others that offers invaluable support and education for a demanding yet rewarding passion.”

Jamie Rourick, RN, BSN, CHFN • Heart Failure Coordinator
AAHFN Annual Conference
A one-of-a-kind experience, the annual conference is the largest gathering of heart failure nurses around. Specific sessions are designed to help encourage networking and sharing. Over the course of 4 days, you can expect a supportive, collaborative environment where sharing and learning new ideas from peers is standard. Not only will you return to work with new ideas and resources, you’ll obtain access to other professionals who face similar challenges who care about supporting you as well.

Patient Education
Caring for patients is your priority, and AAHFN supports you with a multitude of patient education options. Patients and families are always searching for credible sources of information on the web. AAHFN created a website which provides reliable information, in a patient-focused manner, on various aspects of heart failure, such as diet and lifestyle. Specific features include an “Ask the Expert” section, self care information, “What is Heart Failure” video, care for the caregiver, and a corresponding patient education call-in number.

Live Webinars
For those unable to attend the annual conference, AAHFN offers live educational webinars to encourage additional learning and networking opportunities. Webinars are structured to allow for idea sharing and Q&A with the presenter. Instant access to experts in the field keep you well informed and the networking aspect provides an outlet to express challenges to others facing similar circumstances.

Nursing Advocacy
Being part of AAHFN means being part of a larger community who cares. AAHFN acts as a unified voice for all heart failure nurses in addressing regulations, guidelines, and barriers to care. We achieve this through collaborating with other associations and direct consultations to regulatory bodies and decision-makers with the goal of improving patient outcomes.

“AAHFN has provided me with exciting opportunities to network and interact with some of the most accomplished nurses in the field of Heart Failure. These nurses have helped me remain motivated and excited about caring for my heart failure patients.”

Donna Fiorini, MSN, CRNP, CHFN
Heart Failure Nurse Practitioner

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Heart Failure Nurse Certification
Offered exclusively through AAHFN, the Certified Heart Failure Nurse (CHFN®) distinction confirms your professional competence and credibility to patients, peers, and employers and serves as a mark of excellence. Passing the CHFN exam, offered in-person or computer-based, validates your knowledge, experience and clinical judgment in diagnosing, treating, and managing patients and puts you on course for advancing your career.

Certification Review
AAHFN is committed to preparing and supporting nurses obtaining the CHFN® mark. Certification review courses are available and offered during the annual conference, online, and as a publication. The Heart Failure Nursing Certification - Core Curriculum Review book is a comprehensive guide and includes study questions for self-review and resources for further reading. According to a survey of CHFNs, the core curriculum review was the number one resource for helping them prepare for the exam.

Continuing Education
AAHFN gives you easy access to the highest quality heart failure CE topics offered in multiple formats and targeted to different practice levels. Whether you’re looking to advance in your career, understand new laws and regulations, or simply keep your license and certification up to date, AAHFN has CE to help you meet your goals while improving your patients’ outcomes.

Leadership Development
Volunteering with AAHFN provides several benefits, including the opportunity to network with your peers around your professional background or interests. It also exposes you to trends and best practices and gives you leadership training and experience. Collaborate and complete meaningful AAHFN projects while developing your own set of professional skills and fulfilling a sense of accomplishment.

“Being a CHFN acknowledges my expertise and knowledge in promoting the care of heart failure patients at our facilities. The materials and education I took part in to gain certification helped me to align my practice with national guidelines and evidence based care.”

Justin Baines, RN, BSN, CHFN • Heart Failure Coordinator

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In addition to managing heart failure, nurses are uniquely qualified to treat the whole patient, including counseling, educating caregivers, monitoring treatment plans, and proving emotional support. AAHFN understands and strives to meet your whole set of unique needs by providing you with best practices, latest research, continuing education, and a network of peers to help you provide the best possible patient care and excel in your career. Membership benefits include:

- Discounted registration to attend Annual Conference and Workshops.
- Discounted fees to take the Certified Heart Failure Nurse exam.
- Member-only access to online continuing education through the Education Center (free or discounted).
- Free quarterly newsletter, The Connection.
- Discounted price for products and publications, including the Heart Failure Nursing Certification Core Curriculum Review, Basic Heart Failure Nursing Pocket Guide, Heart Failure Disease Management: From Planning to Implementation, and Evidence-Based Strategies for Reducing 30 Day Readmissions
- Access to dedicated Patient Education website aahfnpatienteducation.com and additional free resources
- Live webinars (free or discounted)
- Online Membership Directory
- Opportunity to receive AAHFN-supported awards, grants, and scholarships
- Online Community

Join today for an annual fee of $85 (less than a quarter per day) to take advantage of these valuable benefits and more. Visit AAHFN.org to join online or to download an application. Please let us know how we can help you deliver better patient care.
Mission Statement
LEADING NURSES IN HEART FAILURE CARE.

Vision Statement
TO BE THE FOREMOST NURSING ASSOCIATION ACROSS THE HEART FAILURE CONTINUUM.

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