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Education Committee

Special Report

We're devoting this issue of the newsletter to our education activities because continuing education is a primary part of our organization's mission and goals. Please let us know if you have questions, concerns or suggestions related to our educational activities.

Like other groups, the NMNPC Education Committee has faced extra challenges over the past few years. We're happy and proud to report that we've been able to adapt and have continued to provide high-quality and relevant continuing education activities for our membership despite those challenges. Even though we're in a much better place with the COVID pandemic now, it continues to affect our planning. This results not only from ongoing uncertainty about fluctuating case rates and variants with as-yet unknown characteristics, but also from the long-term effects on conference attendees' behavior. Some NPs are very happy to be back at live events - with or without special precautions - but some have found they like certain aspects of virtual conference attendance. Although our registrations for the 2021 fall conference were almost normal, registration for our recent spring conference were somewhat below pre-COVID levels.

This isn't just an issue for us - many other NP groups' conferences are below normal attendance. We're committed to figuring out what works best for our membership, but it's a work in progress.

The committee is focusing our current efforts on our next two conferences which will be live-only events. The 2022 fall conference will be at the Inn & Spa at Loretto in Santa Fe. As in the past, it's a celebration of national NP Week and we limit registration to offer a more intimate conference. Our 2023 spring conference will move to a new venue - the Sandia Resort and Casino in Albuquerque. We'll be using their beautiful new conference center and for those who want some casino action, it's now smoke-free. Although the conference center doesn't have quite the same capacity as our past venues, it shouldn't affect our ability to accommodate our expected registration numbers.

As the Education Committee Chair, I'd like to thank the entire committee and our Executive Director for their dedication, expertise and commitment. The committee members' responsibilities require them to make a significant commitment of time and effort and they unfailingly meet that obligation. It's through their efforts that NMNPC is able to offer our members two excellent conferences a year.

Kate Goldblum

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INN and SPA
at LORETTO
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november 18

2022 fall
conference

The Ins & Outs of Breathing

Celebrate NP Week with Us!

Registration Opens July 15

(Space Limited to 100 Registrants)

Conference Highlights

Thursday • Dinner sponsored by NMNPC

Friday • Up to 8.0 contact hours of CE

Friday • Blood drive starting at 10:00 AM

Saturday • LARC — Free CE presentation hosted by the UNM Mentoring Program & UCSF Beyond the Pill

Saturday • Complementary dinner presentation of Nexplanon required FDA training hosted by Organon

[Download Preliminary Agenda](#)

You Can Still Register & Watch! Spring Conference

Register [here](#) to watch recordings by July 20

Up to 30.25 Contact Hours of Continuing Education Available



Region Meetings Offer Non-CE Education

Regions 2 and 5 have meetings in July. Both will include a program hosted by Inari Medical. Therese Saargent, ANP-BC will present *Removing Venous Blood Clots*. For more information see the NMNPC Regions [webpage](#).

Required Non-Cancer Pain Management CE

The 5 Hours of NCPM CE required by the NM Board of Nursing (NMBON) every two years for license renewal is available online from NMNPC. This requirement applies to all APRNs with DEA registration and a NM controlled substance license and APRNs must provide verification of the NCPM CE. NMNPC records the NCPM presentations at our spring conference every two years to help NPs meet this requirement. Those recorded presentations are available as an online independent learning CE activity. The NMBON recognizes this as meeting the NCPM CE requirement for NPs. Click [here](#) to purchase access to the most recent online program, recorded during the 2021 spring conference. *This activity is approved through May 31, 2023.* For more information visit the NMNPC [website](#).

This activity is approved for 5.0 contact hours of continuing education (which includes 1.0 hour of pharmacology) by the American Association of Nurse Practitioners. Activity ID 22055546. This activity was planned in accordance with AANP CE Accreditation Standards and Policies.