



S.C.A.N.A.

South Carolina Association
of Nurse Anesthesiology

2026 State Meeting *Practice & Protect: From Clinical Excellence to Advocacy*

September 18-20, 2026
Hyatt House Charleston Historic District

Friday, September 18

RN WORKSHOP

8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Discover your path to becoming a CRNA. RNs – join us for a dynamic seminar where you can dive into the world of Nurse Anesthesia. Connect with CRNA leaders and current students, immerse yourself in hands-on anesthesia simulations, and unlock invaluable insights into the admissions process. Attendance will be limited, so don't miss your chance to elevate your nursing career to new heights!

Separate registration & fee required

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	<i>It's No Joke to Smoke: Anesthesia Considerations in the Patient Who Vapes:</i> Elizabeth Wilkes, DNAP, MNA, CRNA, CHSE, FAANA
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	<i>Mitragyna Speciosa: The 411 for the Practicing CRNA:</i> Elizabeth Wilkes, DNAP, MNA, CRNA, CHSE, FAANA
11:00 AM – 12:30 PM	Lunch on Your Own: Enjoy one of the many great restaurants Charleston has to offer!
12:30 AM – 1:30 PM	<i>Malpractice / Insurance Basics for Nurse Anesthesia Providers:</i> Mark J. Silberman
1:30 PM – 2:30 PM	<i>Everything AI Won't Tell You About Healthcare Fraud:</i> Mark J. Silberman
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Afternoon Break with Exhibitors
3:00 PM – 3:30 PM	<i>MUSC Student Presentation: Exploring the Effects of Hyperoxia: A Quality Improvement Project:</i> Holden Ohm, SRNA; Alec Owen, SRNA
3:30 PM – 4:00 PM	<i>USC Student Presentation: Educational Intervention to Promote Career Longevity in CRNAs Aged 50 and Older:</i> Katherine Cromer, SRNA; Lyra Mercado, SRNA; Heather Searce, SRNA
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	<i>Are You Smarter than a Third Year? An Anesthesia Review::</i> Erin Foley, DNAP, MSNA, CRNA, FAANA
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	<i>Politics in the Pub! - CRNAs only</i>
5:00 PM – 6:30 PM	SRNA & RN Reception <i>(Sponsored by Lexington Medical Center)</i>

Saturday, September 19

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM	Breakfast Buffet
7:30 AM – 4:30 PM	Exhibitors & Registration Open
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	MAC: Next Generation Certification: Garry Brydges, PHD, DNP, MBA, CRNA, ACNP-BC, FAANA, FAAN
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Captain, we have a Problem! Medical Emergencies at 30,000 ft: Erin Foley, DNAP, MSNA, CRNA, FAANA
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Coffee Break with Exhibitors & NAR Research Poster Presentations
10:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Disrupting Outpatient Care as a CRNA - The Merge of Mental Health and Pain: Kathryn Walker, CRNA, PMHNP
11:30 AM – 1:30 PM	Lunch Buffet S.C.A.N.A. Business Meeting
1:30 PM – 2:30 PM	AANA Update: Tracy Young, MSNA, MBA, CRNA
2:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Afternoon Break with Exhibitors & NAR Research Poster Presentations
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	The Science of Ketamine Therapy for Mental Health and Chronic Pain: Kathryn Walker, CRNA, PMHNP
4:00 PM – 5:00 PM	Panel: Advancing Nurse Anesthesia Through Advocacy: Erin Foley, DNAP, MSNA, CRNA, FAANA; Blake Frazier, DNAP, APRN, CRNA; Tracy P. Young, MSNA, MBA, CRNA; Moderator: Angie Mund, DNP, CRNA, FAANA, FAAN

PAC EVENT

7:00 pm - 10:00 pm

More Details Coming Soon!

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Sunday, September 20

7:30 AM – 9:00 AM	Breakfast Buffet Open
8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	What is New in Obstetric Anesthesia?: Beth Ann Clayton, DNP, CRNA, FAANA, FAAN
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Efficiency Driven Anesthesia Modeling: Tracy P. Young, MSNA, MBA, CRNA
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Maternal Emergencies: Recognition and Response: Beth Ann Clayton, DNP, CRNA, FAANA, FAAN
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	MUSC Student Presentation: Building a Shadowing Network for Prospective Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Students in South Carolina: Kapri Geraghty, SRNA; Allie King, SRNA; Brian Byrne, SRNA
11:30 AM – 12:00 PM	USC Student Presentation: Improving Empathy and Communication in Anesthesia Care for Deaf and Hard of Hearing Patients: Kelsey Barnes, SRNA; Kevin Bikas, SRNA; Angela Germanovich, SRNA; Anna Nitz, SRNA; Jessica Rushing, SRNA