

(Re)Connecting Psychiatric Nurses with Evidence-Based Resources and Community

The APNA Florida Chapter Conference is an opportunity for psychiatric nurses and nurse practitioners to connect with a network of professionals committed to evidence-based mental health and psychiatric care across Florida.

Target Audience: RNs, APRNs (NP & CNS)

Keynote Speaker:

Emily Bell, MSN, RN, APRN, PMHNP-BC
Senior Policy Advisor, Nursing Programs
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Session Presenters:

Mariah Rappazzo, BSHE, BSN, RN
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Alexandra Martinez, PhD, LMFT
Crisis Center Director
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Assistant Professor of Nursing and Psychiatry
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Michaela Hogan, DNP, APRN, PMHNP-BC
Clinical Assistant Professor
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<https://www.apna.org/chapters/florida>

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American Psychiatric Nurses Association and APNA Florida Chapter are providing this activity

March 29th 2025
Continental Breakfast

8:00am

Check-In

9:00am-4:30 pm EST

Best Western Gateway Grand
Hotel and Conference Center
Gainesville, FL



NURSING CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (NCPD) INFORMATION

PROGRAM OUTCOMES

- 1) Participants will identify evidence-based interventions that enhance patient engagement and improve outcomes within mental health settings and the community.
- 2) Participants will adopt self-care strategies which support well-being and promote safe and effective patient care.
- 3) Participants will describe methods to strengthen community ties through evidence-based approaches that promote mental health awareness and strengthen community support systems.

Nursing Continuing Professional Development

Criteria for successful completion of this activity includes attendance at the entire event and submission of a completed evaluation form, no partial credit will be awarded.

4.75 ANCC Nursing Continuing Professional Development (NCPD) contact hours available for this activity.

Accreditation

Accreditation of the nursing continuing development activity does not imply endorsement by APNA, ANCC or the APNA Florida Chapter of any commercial products displayed in conjunction with this activity.

The American Psychiatric Nurses Association is accredited as a provider of nursing continuing professional development by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

ACTIVITY AGENDA

0800-0845	Check-In & Continental Breakfast Industry Speakers
0845-0900	Break
0900-0915	Welcome: Christina Maroone APNA FL Chapter President
0915-1030	Keynote Address: How to Advocate as a Nurse Presenter: Emily Bell
1030-1130	Session 1: Engage to Empower: Nursing-Led Education Groups in Dual Diagnosis Care Presenter: Mariah Rappazzo
1130-1200	Poster Session & Exhibit Hall
1200-1300	Lunch Buffet Product Theater
1300-1330	Poster Session & Exhibit Hall
1330-1500	Session 2: Suicide Prevention Presenters: Alexandra Martinez Jamie Zelazny
1500-1600	Session 3: Mindfulness in Healthcare Presenter: Michaela K. Hogan
1600-1630	Closing: Elizabeth Winings APNA FL Chapter President-Elect

Disclosure

The presenters have no relevant financial relationships or off-label uses to disclose.

REGISTRATION RATES

Category	Rate
APNA Member	\$100.00
Non-Member	\$200.00
Full-Time Student	\$50.00

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