## **Program**

# **Discovery Builds Connection**

## Description

This activity aims to address the critical need for fostering meaningful connections among nurses, which can significantly enhance both professional collaboration and patient care.

# **Target Audience**

Psychiatric nurses, nurses, advanced practice nurses, nursing students

## Keynote Speaker: Lori Sullivan

Lori has nearly 40 years as a RN with primary focus in Behavioral Health nursing and has held several leadership positions within the system over the span of the past 30 plus years. She is a graduate of the Leadership Greater McHenry County program and participant on their alumni committee. Additionally, she is a board member of a domestic violence program in her community.

## **Program Outcome**

Participants will be able to identify and implement strategies to foster meaningful connections among nurses, leading to improved professional collaboration and enhanced patient care.

# **Chapter Information**

### **Chapter Leaders**

President:

Judith Pasternack, BSN, RN, NPD-BC

President-Elect:

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Immediate Past President:

Kelly Bryant, MS, BSN, NPD-BC, NEA-BC

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Treasurer:

Gina Malfeo-Martin, MSN, PMH-BC

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Vicki Freier, RN, MS, BSN

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### **Chapter Involvement**

If you are interested in attending a meeting or in becoming involved contact Judy Pasternack at JPast123@comcast.net.

#### **Visit Our Website**

https://www.apna.org/chapters/illinois-chapter/

## **APNA Membership/Continuing Education**

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# Discovery Builds Connection

APNA & APNA Illinois
Chapter are providing this
activity

April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025 8am – 5pm

Rosalind Franklin University 3333 Green Bay Road North Chicago, IL

For Additional Information Contact: Gina Malfeo-Martin, MSN, PMH-BC Gmalfeomartin@comcast.net



# DISCLOSURE AND NURSING CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (NCPD) INFORMATION

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## **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.

5.5 NCPD contact hours and 1 NCPD psychopharmacology hours, for a total of 6.5 NCPD contact hours, will be awarded.

### **Accreditation**

Accreditation of the nursing continuing development activity does not imply endorsement by APNA, ANCC or the APNA IL 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**

### Friday, April 4th, 2025

7:30am: Check in, Breakfast, Exhibitors

8:30-8:45am: Welcome: APNA IL Chapter President

8:45–9:15am: Commemorating Nurses' Service at

**Funeral and Memorial Services** 

9:15-10:15am: Keynote Speaker

10:15-10:30am: Break & Exhibitors

10:30-11:30am: Journey to Increasing Health

Equity: Elgin Mental Health Center

11:30am-12:30pm: Remember to Use All Your

Tools: Caring for Persons with Severe Mental Illness

12:30-1:15pm: Lunch & Exhibitors

1:15-2:15pm: The Grind of Grief

2:15-3:15pm: Unipolar or Bipolar: That is the

Question

3:15-3:30pm: Break & Exhibitors

3:30-4:00pm: Research Grant: Suicide Risk

Reduction

4:00-5:00pm: Knowing the Why and the How:

Staying Connected to Self

5:00-5:05pm: Closing & Evaluations

A Special "Thank-You" to Rosalind Franklin University for donating the meeting room.

### REGISTRATION

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