



National Alaska Native American Indian Nurses Association (NANAINA)

2025 Annual Conference Agenda

Honoring Our Roots, Shaping the Future: Evolving Healthcare Through Tradition and Innovation”

July 28-30, 2025, Anchorage, Alaska

SCF Nuka Learning & Wellness Center (NLWC), 4085 Tudor Centre Dr., Anchorage, AK 99508

Day 1: Monday, July 28, 2025		
TIME	EVENT	Room
7:00am	Registration & Information Table Opens CE Sign-In Silent Auction Items – collecting until Noon Exhibitor & Vendor Set-up	NLWC
7:30am-8:30am	Breakfast	NLWC
8:30am-9:30am	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opening Ceremony & Alaska Native Tribal Health Campus Welcoming 	Tribal Drum Room
9:30am-10:15am	Plenary Session: Keynote Speaker: Abigail Echohawk, M.A	Tribal Drum Room
10:15am-10:35am	Break & Networking <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Posters, Exhibitors, & Vendors Open 	NLWC
10:35am-11:20am	Plenary Session: Dr. Misty Wilkie & Renee Fliris, BSN, RN, DNP Student	Tribal Drum Room
11:20am-12:05pm	Plenary Session: Alison (Ali) Smith, RN <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction: Peggy Porter 	Tribal Drum Room
12:00pm	Silent Auction Opens (Closes Tuesday, 07/29 @ 2pm) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All proceeds go to the NANAINA Scholarship Fund 	
12:05pm-1:45pm	Lunch & ANMC/SCF Guided Tours with ANMC & SCF staff, or Plant Walk w/Traditional Healing	
1:45pm-2:45pm	Plenary Session: Poster Highlights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poster 1: Brianna Wing: <i>Adapting a Successful Indigenous Medical Pathway Model to Nursing Education: The Wy'east Nursing Initiative at OHSU</i> 	Tribal Drum Room

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poster 2: Dr. Cody Bruce: <i>Fostering Belongingness through Culturally Responsive Retention of Native American/Alaskan Native Nursing Students</i> Poster 3: Dr. Sarah M. Llanque-White & Dr. Vanessa Tahe: <i>Social Drivers of Health contributing to delayed prescription use for Upper Respiratory Infections in American Indian patients: A Case Report and Review of Literature</i> Poster 4: Dr. Cristina Rivera Carpenter: <i>Nurturing Indigenous Nurses: The HEAL Southwest Leadership Cohort</i> 	
2:45pm-3:05pm	Break & Networking <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Posters, Vendors, Exhibitors, & Silent Auction Open 	NLWC
3:10pm-3:55pm	Breakout Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Dorthy Fredenberg, Brittany Condefer, and Jahne Perine: <i>Training & Support for a Sustainable Indigenous Workforce</i> B. Dr Natalie Nicholson: <i>Walking with Our Relatives: Applying Our Bundle of Care to Support Wellness</i> C. IHS Public Health Nursing Case Management: Reducing Sexually Transmitted Infections: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. Sammie Waln: Rosebud Sioux Tribe II. Daniel Monnier: American Indian Health Service of Chicago III. Courtney Schwefel: Sokaogon Chippewa Community 	
4:00pm-4:45pm	Plenary Session: Dr. Carly Byrne, Rona Johnson: <i>Tools for Integrating Evidence Based Practice Into Your Practice</i>	Tribal Drum Room
4:45pm-5:00pm	Closing Comments for Day 1 & Overview of Day 2: Taloa Sharp	Tribal Drum Room
Day 2: Tuesday, July 29, 2025		
7:00am-7:45am	Wellness Walk Around Alaska Native Health Campus	
7:45am-8:30am	Breakfast Registration CE Sign-in	NLWC
8:30am-8:45am	Day 2 Welcome & Remarks Opening Blessing	Tribal Drum Room
8:45am-9:45am	Plenary Session: Poster Highlights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poster 5: Dr. Cynthia Greywolf: <i>Exploring a Shared History of Historical Trauma with Native Hawaiians</i> Poster 6: Annette Rearden and Dr. Diane Droutman: <i>Integrating Cultural Safety into Nursing Education in Alaska</i> 	Tribal Drum Room

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poster 7: Dr. Cynthia Keeton Brown: <i>Reimagining Nursing Education: Integrating AI and the Humanities to Teach SDOH and SOI</i> Poster 8: Dr. Katie E. Nelson: “You’re creating that medicine for yourself”: <i>Qualitative analysis of spirituality in the context of end-of-life care provision</i> 	
9:45am-10:45am	Dr. Jennifer Mensik Kennedy, President, American Nurses Association	Tribal Drum Room
10:45am-11:05am	Break & Networking	NLWC
11:05am-11:50 am	Plenary Session: Dr. Teresa Brockie, Dr. Michelle Kahn-John: <i>Indigenous Nursing Research Bettering: Tradition & Innovation</i>	Tribal Drum Room
12:00pm-1:40pm	Lunch & ANMC/SCF Guided Tours by ANMC & SCF Staff, or Plant Walk with Traditional Healing	
1:45pm-2:45pm	Plenary Session Panel: Dr. Denise Gilliland, Dr. Marianna Murray, Dr. Misty Wilkie: <i>Building an AI/AN Nursing Workforce and Nurse Leaders</i>	Tribal Drum Room
3:00pm-3:20pm	Break & Networking	NLWC
3:20pm-3:55pm	Plenary Session: Dr. Lisa Martin Rennie	Tribal Drum Room
3:55pm-4:30pm	Closing Comments for Day 2 & Overview of Day 3:	Tribal Drum Room
6:00pm-8:30pm	NANAINA Banquet & Honoring <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Honoree: Loretta J. Throop Passing the Drum: Sadie Anderson to Dr. Teresa Brockie 	Alaska Native Heritage Center
Day 3: Wednesday, July 30, 2025		
7:00am-7:30am	Wellness Walk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walk Around University Lake 	
7:30am-8:30am	Breakfast CE Sign-In	NLWC
8:30am-9:00am	Welcome & Remarks Opening Blessing	Tribal Drum Room
9:00am-9:45am	Plenary Session: Dr. Donna Galbreath: <i>Integrating Culture and Quality into Care</i>	Tribal Drum Room
9:50am-10:35am	Breakout Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> D. Dr. Diane Droutman: <i>Culturally Safe Framework for Providing Quality Equitable Patient Care</i> E. IHS Public Health Nursing Case Management: Reducing Sexually Transmitted Infections: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> IV. Justus Harris: Oklahoma City Indian Clinic V. Lynette Goldtooth: Tuba City PHN Program VI. Tyler Broghammer: Oyata Health Center VII. Molly Ankiewicz: United American Indian Involvement, Inc. 	

	F. Dr. Twila YellowHorse: <i>Increasing Tribal College Transfer Student Success in Nursing Degree Completion</i>	
10:35am-10:55am	Break & Networking	NLWC
10:55am-11:30am	Plenary Session: Poster Presentations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Poster 9: Dorthy Kessler and Brittany Condefer: <i>Training and Support for a Sustainable Indigenous Workforce</i> ● Poster 10: Phoebe Angelina Keryte: <i>From Gaps to Ké: Establishing an Indigenous Student Organization to Foster Community, Leadership, and Belonging</i> 	Tribal Drum Room
11:30am-12:30pm	Breakout Sessions <p>G. Danelle Stein, Chelsea Ryan, Monica Lee: <i>SCF's Nuka System of Care: The Integrated Care Model</i></p> <p>H. Dr. Carly Byrne: <i>Getting Your Nursing Workforce Started in EBP</i></p> <p>I. Dr. Lisa Martin Rennike, Dr. Misty Wilkie, IHS Scholarship Program: <i>Nursing Student Discussion & Q&A</i></p>	
12:00pm	Vendors & Posters Close	
12:30pm-1:15pm	Lunch	
1:15pm-2:00pm	Plenary Session: Dr. Johanna Gorman Bahe IHS Chief Nurse & Dr. Shavonna White, IHS Deputy Director, IHS Division of Nursing	Tribal Drum Room
2:00pm-2:45pm	Closing Remarks, Evaluations, & Celebration	Tribal Drum Room
2:45pm-3:15pm	Break	NLWC
3:15pm-5:30pm	NANAINA Annual Members Meeting & Board Meeting <i>Anyone is welcome and encouraged to attend the NANAINA members' meeting. We welcome your input.</i>	Tribal Drum Room

This conference was planned by healthcare personnel, for healthcare personnel. Continuing Education is pending through the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, an accredited provider of continuing education.

AGENDA SUBJECT TO CHANGE