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**Celebrating 40 Years of
School Nursing Leadership**



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*The Finger
Lakes*



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LEAD.
TOGETHER.



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THE FUTURE

NOVEMBER
6TH & 7TH,
2026
Binghamton, NY



HONORING OUR PAST • STRENGTHENING OUR PRESENT • INSPIRING OUR FUTURE



Welcome

FROM THE NYSASN
CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

A Welcome to All School Leaders and Champions!

On behalf of the New York State Association of School Nurses (NYSASN) Conference Committee, we are thrilled to welcome you to our 40th Annual Conference!

Thank you for joining us in Binghamton as we come together to learn, connect, and be inspired.

This conference is a celebration of YOU—your dedication, your expertise, and your unwavering commitment to the health and success of New York's students.

Over the next two days, we hope you will find valuable insights, meaningful connections, and renewed energy to carry forward in your schools and communities.

Uniting For Student Well-Being



Be inspired by engaging speakers and innovative ideas.



Connect with colleagues who understand and support your mission.



Recharge your passion for school health and student well-being.



Leave with new tools and strategies to make an even greater impact.

Thank you for all you do, every day.

We are so glad you are here!



With gratitude,

The NYSASN Conference Committee

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PRE-CONFERENCE

Skills Practice

HANDS-ON. PRACTICAL. ESSENTIAL.

Kick off your conference experience with a dynamic afternoon of hands-on learning and skill-building designed for school nurses, by school nurses.

Choose the skills that matter most to your practice and gain real-world confidence in a supportive environment.

PRACTICE. LEARN. LEAD.

- ✓ PICC Lines
- ✓ Tracheostomies / Ostomies
- ✓ Catheterizations
- ✓ Enteral Feedings
- ✓ Visual Screening
- ✓ VNS / Seizures
- ✓ Cervical Spine Assessment
- ✓ Splinting
- ✓ Simulations: "Escape Room"
- ✓ Triage
- ✓ Evacuation / Emergency Management
- ✓ Diabetes
- ✓ ...and more!

Interactive stations. Expert guidance. Practical takeaways. All in a state-of-the-art simulation environment.



NEW NURSE OR SEASONED PRO?

This is for you.

Whether you're building your foundation or refreshing your skills, this session will equip you with tools you can use right away—so you can show up ready for anything, and everything.

BUILD
CONFIDENCE.
SHARPEN SKILLS.
MAKE AN
IMPACT.



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FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 6,
2026



1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

*Invest in yourself.
Invest in your students.
Be part of the experience!*



NETWORK. COLLABORATE. GROW.
Connect with fellow school nurses,
share ideas, and strengthen your impact.

Don't just attend the conference—
START STRONG.

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Learn more at
www.nysasn.org



NYSASN ANNUAL CONFERENCE



HOTEL REGISTRATION INFORMATION

NYSASN Conference Attendees,
We are excited to welcome you to
the NYSASN Annual Conference this
November in Binghamton!



FEATURED HOTEL: Holiday Inn Binghamton

Holiday Inn Binghamton
2-8 Hawley Street
Binghamton, NY 13901
Phone: 607-722-1212
Website: www.holidayinnbinghamton.com



BOOKING TIPS:

If you have any difficulties, call the hotel
directly. Attendee room block
available Friday, Nov 6 & Saturday, Nov 7.
Make your reservations early! (limited space)

TO RESERVE YOUR ROOM:

Group Code: NUR



Visit www.nysasn.org for registration link and additional information



Saturday • November 7th, 2026

⌚ 6:45am-8:15am	📋 Registration Table
⌚ 7:00am-8:00am	🍴 Breakfast
⌚ 7:00am - End of Day	🏪 Vendor Village (Open all day)
⌚ 8:00am-8:30am	🔨 General Membership Meeting
⌚ 8:30am-9:30am	🎤 Welcome/Keynote Speaker: NYSED
⌚ 9:30am-9:45am	☕ Break
⌚ 9:45am-10:30am	👥 Breakout Session #1
⌚ 10:30am-10:45am	☕ Break
⌚ 10:45am-11:30am	👥 Breakout Session #2
⌚ 11:30am-12:30pm	🍴 Lunch/Vendor Village
⌚ 12:30pm-1:30pm	🗣️ Panel Discussion: ❤️ Cardiac Emergency Response Plans
⌚ 1:30pm-1:45pm	☕ Break
⌚ 1:45pm-2:30pm	👥 Breakout Session #3
⌚ 2:30pm-3:00pm	☕ Break
⌚ 3:00pm-3:45pm	👥 Breakout Session #4
⌚ 3:45pm-4:15pm	🤝 Wrap Up/Conclusion



KEYNOTE

Understanding the Rules:

NYSED Guidance for School Health Professionals

SPEAKERS:

Ann Lanoue | Andrea Vink



The regulatory landscape continues to evolve, making it essential for school health professionals and educational leaders to understand the laws and guidance that shape daily practice. Representatives from the New York State Education Department will provide updates on current regulations and clarify the roles, responsibilities, and expectations for LPNs, RNs, and Medical Directors in New York schools.



Scrub Club: Building Tomorrow's Healthcare Workforce: Leadership Through Early Career Exploration

SPEAKERS:

Beth Solar, Tara Elmer, Emily Soderquist

FDRHPO is partnering with regional schools to introduce a Scrubs Club program for students K-12. Through engaging hands-on activities and interactive exercises, students explore a wide range of healthcare careers and gain firsthand insight into the roles, responsibilities, and rewards of this vital field. Flexible for both classroom and after-school settings, Scrubs Club sparks curiosity and builds the foundation for tomorrow's healthcare leaders.

BREAKOUT SESSION 1



Take the Fear out of Diabetes Care with Diabetes Educators and School Nurse Team

SPEAKERS:

NYC DOH School Health Team Members

Learn the vital role Diabetes Nurse Educators play in partnering with school nurses to manage student diabetes care. Explore how Diabetes Nurse Teams stay current with technology advancements and resources, and identify action steps nurses and leaders can take to strengthen diabetes care management in their schools.



Eating Disorders in Students: Early Identification, Risks, and Support Strategies

SPEAKER:

Carolyn Chaffee, MS, RDN, CEDRDS

This session provides an evidence-based overview of the rising prevalence of eating disorders among youth, common presentations in school, and the medical and nutritional risks that require prompt attention. Learn practical strategies for supporting students, communicating concerns with families, and collaborating with community providers to promote early intervention.



BREAKOUT SESSION 2



Evidence-based Asthma Management in the School Setting

SPEAKERS: Judith Quaranta / Rosa Darling & American Lung Association

An overview of asthma epidemiology, triggers, and airway remodeling with a focus on risk assessment, education programs, action plans (including self-carry medications), staff and bus driver training, school-nursing partnerships, and current clinical practice guidelines.



Helping Students Find Their Voice: Practical Tools for Pain and Self-Advocacy

SPEAKERS: Amy Graham | Dr. Alexandra (Ali) Ross (CBT-HA)

Learn CBT-informed strategies to help students understand their symptoms, manage overwhelming moments, and communicate their needs. Through activities and real-world scenarios, school nurses will practice supportive language and tools they can use right away.



Frequent Flyers or Preparing to Soar: The Effect of Stigmatizing Language in School Health

SPEAKER: Kimberly Garrett, MSN, RN, LSN, NCSN

Explore how stigmatizing language impacts student care and outcomes. Learn to recognize common terms and replace them with objective, person-centered communication that builds trust, equity, and compassionate care.



PANEL DISCUSSION



From Policy to Practice: A Discussion on Cardiac Emergency Response Programs in Schools

SPEAKERS:

Karen HolloWood | Brianna Durkee (AHA) | Alice Cohen | Dana Colasante
NYS First Responder Staff Member | NYS School Health Leader

Cardiac Emergency Response Plans (CERPs) are transforming school safety across New York State. This interdisciplinary panel will explore legislation, regulatory requirements, implementation strategies, and innovative practices that prepare schools for cardiac emergencies. Hear success stories and leave with actionable strategies to strengthen your school's emergency readiness.



BREAKOUT SESSION 3



ANA-NY Legislative Updates

SPEAKER: Jeanine Santelli, PhD, EN, AGPCNP, FAAN

A review of ANA-NY's legislative priorities and the bills we actively tracked during the most recent legislative session.



"Know the Signs - Save Lives"

SPEAKER: Olga Jeanne Dolly, MSN, APRN, FNP-C, SNT

Learn the signs and symptoms of Marfan's Syndrome and how to identify them. Understand this genetic connective tissue disorder and its impact on the body.



Building the Workforce: Innovative Onboarding Strategies for School Health Leaders

SPEAKERS: NYC DOH School Health Team Members

Designed for nurse leaders, administrators, and education partners, this session demonstrates how intentional onboarding strengthens workforce development, boosts staff confidence, and builds a sustainable foundation for exceptional school health services.



BREAKOUT SESSION 4



Beyond the Buzz: Artificial Intelligence for Today's School Health Professional

SPEAKER:

Matthew Hickling, MSN, APRN, CPNP-PC

Discover how AI can support documentation, communication, education, and organization—while recognizing when human expertise, critical thinking, and clinical judgment must always lead the way.



Documenting in the Dark

SPEAKER: Kimberly Garrett, MSN, RN, LSN, NCSN

Learn practical strategies to maintain continuity of care during technology disruptions. Identify key components of a contingency plan, including roles, responsibilities, and escalation pathways, to keep students safe when digital tools are unavailable.



Suicide Prevention for School Nurses: Lessons Learned in New York City Public Schools

SPEAKER:

Christopher Martinez, RN (He, Him)

- Identify youth mental health challenges and equity factors affecting student mental health.
- Identify warning signs and risk factors for suicide.
- Administer the Ask Suicide-Screening Questions (ASQ) evidence-based tool.