



Tentative Program

2007

Professional Issues Forum on Health Care

MARCH 17, 2007

CROWNE PLAZA
ALBANY CITY CENTER
HOTEL
ALBANY, NEW YORK



Here are highlights of this year's conference:

- ❖ NEW WORKSHOPS ON:
 - Getting Members Involved in the Union
 - HPV Vaccine and Adolescent Gynecology
 - SPEAK - Train-the-Trainer on Suicide Prevention Education Awareness Kit
 - Safe Oxygen Administration
 - The Psychology of Dangerousness: The "At Risk" Child.
 - Update on HIPAA
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- ❖ Ten (10) courses that offer CEU credits

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SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 2007

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:00 AM - 11:30AM	Exhibits and Information Tables
9:00 AM - 11:00AM	<i>CONCURRENT SESSIONS A:</i>
	➤A1. Getting Members Involved in the Union
	➤A2. HPV Vaccine and Adolescent Gynecology - <i>CEU Credit</i>
	➤A3. SPEAK - Train-the Trainer on the Suicide Prevention Education Awareness Kit - <i>CEU Credit</i>
	➤A4. Safe Oxygen Administration - <i>CEU Credit</i>
	➤A5. The Psychology of Dangerousness: The "At-Risk" Child - <i>CEU Credit</i>
	➤A6. Update on HIPAA
11:00 AM - 11:15 AM	Refreshment Break
11:15 AM - 11:30 AM	Welcome and Opening Session
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM	Keynote Address - <i>CEU Credit</i>
12:30 PM - 1:30 PM	Luncheon
1:45 PM - 3:15 PM	<i>CONCURRENT SESSIONS B:</i>
	➤B1. The Role of Unions in Achieving National Healthcare
	➤B2. Update on Child/Adolescent Immunizations - <i>CEU Credit</i>
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3:15 PM - 3:30 PM	Refreshment Break
3:30 PM - 4:45 PM	Closing Session - <i>CEU Credit</i>
4:45 PM	Adjournment

The conference tailored for you

The NYSUT Healthcare Professionals Council invites you to attend the 2007 NYSUT Professional Issues Forum on Health Care at the Crowne Plaza Albany City Center Hotel, Albany, New York.

The NYSUT Healthcare Professionals Council is an advocacy group for the more than 12,000 workers in the health field who are members of bargaining units throughout the state. The Professional Issues Forum on Health Care is a major event sponsored by the Council and we encourage local presidents to support local member participation in this important conference.

This conference is designed for nurses, psychologists, clinical instructors, pharmacists and therapists who work in public and private sector schools, hospitals, universities, visiting nurses associations and residential and day treatment facilities.

■...REMEMBER!

Last year's conference was a sell-out. Registrations will be accepted on a first come/first serve basis.

To register online and pay by credit card, go to:

<https://meetings.nysut.org/getdemo.ei?id=39&ts=1KO0PNIV7>

Return your registration form by February 9, 2007. Don't miss an opportunity to attend workshops that are filled with practical, powerful tools, techniques and information.

Keynote and Session Speakers

Janine Fiesta, healthcare attorney, nurse and national speaker, will address current legal trends in healthcare, documentation, delegation of responsibilities, and the latest ethical dilemmas, such as end of life issues, refusal of treatment, and rationing of care.

Featuring:

WELCOME AND OPENING SESSION

Anne Goldman, R.N., *Special Representative of the Federation of Nurses/UFT and Chair, NYSUT Healthcare Professionals Council*

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

“Healthcare and the Law”

Janine Fiesta, Esq., B.S.N., *Independent Health Law Consultant*

CLOSING SESSION

“Taking Your Healthcare Job Seriously and Yourself Lightly”

Jim Snack, *The Humor Project*



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- ❖ NYS School Nurse Association
- ❖ NYS Occupational Therapists
- ❖ NYS Physical Therapy Association
- ❖ NYS Speech Language Hearing Association
- ❖ Autism Society of America
- ❖ American Red Cross of NENY

See back page for the registration form!

Featured Sessions

SESSION A

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Concurrent Workshops

A1. Getting Members Involved in the Union

Presenter: Lynda Larson, *Labor Relations Specialist, Suffolk Regional Office*

Suggested for: ☒ ⬠ ♥ * 🗣️

The privatization of public hospitals, the “business model” changes in healthcare by the insurance industry, and the industrialization of nursing and other healthcare practices by non-healthcare professionals in schools are just some of the reasons why we need strong, powerful healthcare locals. Membership involvement is critical. This session discusses how to motivate members to become actively involved in the union and strategies to build member activism at the worksite, and in the local.

A2. HPV Vaccine and Adolescent Gynecology - CEU Credit

Presenter: Ellen McTigue, *Nurse Practitioner, Gynecologic Oncology Service, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Downstate Medical Center*

Suggested for: ⬠ ♥ *

This is an opportunity to learn about the new HPV Human Papilloma Vaccine developed to offer protection against four HPV types, which together cause 70% of cervical cancers and 90% of genital warts. Before youngsters become sexually active, this vaccine provides protection and immunity against most types of HPV and cervical cancer. In addition, there will be discussion on adolescent gynecology questions and concerns.

A3. SPEAK - Train-the-Trainer on Suicide Prevention Education Awareness Kit - CEU Credit

Presenter: John Kelly, *Ph.D., School Psychologist, President - New York Association of School Psychologists*

Suggested for: ⬠ ♥ *

SPEAK is an information kit published by the NYS Office of Mental Health designed to educate the public, health care providers and educators in the recognition of early symptoms of depression and strategies for prevention of teen suicide. Workshops have been developed by the New York Association of School Psychologists based upon the SPEAK material. In these workshops, there is information about suicide and suicide prevention, the risk factors and the warning signs, and resources about how to seek help. Workshops are focused on training school staff at an elementary, middle, and high school level. In addition, there is a “peer” training module for middle and high school students, parent training module for middle and high school aged students, as well as a module focused on depression in adults. This workshop is a train-the-trainer session on all five modules, including a demonstration of one of the modules. At the conclusion of the workshop, participants will leave the session with a set of the materials in print and electronic formats.

A4. Safe Oxygen Administration - CEU Credit

Presenter: David Teneyck, *Clinical Coordinator, Respiratory and Invasive Cardiovascular Technology Programs, Hudson Valley Community College*

Suggested for: ☒ ⬠ ♥

This two-hour session provides a survey of safe oxygen administration including indications for oxygen administration, assessment of need and effectiveness, low flow devices versus high flow, alternative and current therapies for the home, hospital and skilled nursing facilities, and hazards of using oxygen. All healthcare professionals who work with oxygen in these settings are welcome to ask questions and participate in the discussion.

A5. The Psychology of Dangerousness: The “At Risk” Child - CEU Credit

Presenter: David Drassner, *Ph.D., NYS Licensed Psychologist-Independent Practice President, Rockland Resiliency Institute*

Suggested for: ☒ ⬠ ♥ * 🗣️

As a nation, we are in a period of reflection as to what can be done to stem the tide of violence in our school communities. Though some may characterize these incidents as happening “out of the blue”, the tragedy is they don’t. In most cases, long before children move into the danger zone, there were clear and compelling signs of serious trouble, signs that no one saw or recognized.

Join us for a workshop on the psychology of dangerousness in children. Learn the signs and signals of trouble. Learn about at-risk behaviors and characteristics. Learn how to handle children in distress. Learn how to prevent trouble down the road.

A6. Update on HIPAA - CEU Credit

Presenter: Robert Reilly, *Associate Counsel, NYSUT Albany Office of General Counsel*

Suggested for: ☒ ⬠ ♥ * 🗣️

This session provides a review of the provisions of the Health Insurance Portability and accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA). HIPAA requirements apply to health care providers who submit claims electronically, all health plans including private and government programs and health care clearing houses. After a short overview of the law and regulations, most of the workshop will be devoted to discussion and questions related to your healthcare practice.

SESSION B

1:45 P.M. - 3:15 P.M.

Concurrent Workshops

B1. The Role of Unions in Achieving National Healthcare

Presenter: Martha Livingston, *Ph.D., Associate Professor of Health and Society, The College of Old Westbury*

Featured Sessions

Suggested Workshop Audience:

⊕ = Therapists ⊠ = School Nursing ♥ = Nursing ★ = Psychologist 🧪 = Pharmacists

Suggested for: ⊕ ⊠ ♥ ★ 🧪

In every wealthy, industrialized nation in the world except the United States, health care is provided to all residents through some form of government-financed program. In the U.S., 47 million Americans have no health care access, while tens of millions more are underinsured. This workshop will describe the current situation, the movement for national health care, and what YOU can do to help make health care for all a reality!

B2. Update on Childhood and Adolescent Immunizations - CEU Credit

Presenter: Cindy Schulte, B.S.N., R.N., New York State Department of Health

Suggested for: ⊠ ♥ 🧪

New vaccines are being developed every year and immunization recommendations continue to change to address these vaccines and the presence of vaccine preventable diseases such as mumps, pertussis and varicella still occurring in our schools and communities. This session will highlight the new vaccines, their recommendations for children and adolescents, and proposed regulatory changes. A summary of common VPD outbreaks, including prevalence and disease control measures, will also be covered.

B3. Understanding and Dealing with Individuals Who Self-Harm

Presenter: Amelio A. D'Onofrio, Ph.D., Licensed Psychologist, Adult and Adolescent Psychotherapy, Clinical Professor and Director Counseling Training Center, Fordham University, Author

Suggested for:

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As health-care professionals and educators, we sometimes encounter individuals who engage in disturbing and troubling behaviors such as acts of self-harm. These can include intentional infliction of a range of physical injuries or persistent engagement in high-risk and destructive behaviors. This workshop will

explore the causes of self-harming behaviors including emotional/psychological underpinnings, identify individuals at greatest risk and highlight resources to deal with this issue.

B4. Dyspraxia - Developmental Coordination Disorders (DCD) - CEU Credit

Presenter: Martha M. Frank, Ph.D., CAS, OTR/L, Associate Professor, The Sage Colleges

Suggested for: ⊕ ⊠ ♥ ★

Often motor coordination problems may occur in children and adolescents who have no obvious physical or mental impairments. These children and adolescents have been classified as having a developmental coordination disorder (DCD). For those healthcare professionals working with children, DCD impacts gross motor, fine motor and oral motor development in children. This workshop provides an overview of dyspraxia and discusses child safety and participation in recess, physical education, pupil transportation, art, music and fine motor activities like handwriting.

B5. Malpractice - Primer for Nurses, - CEU Credit

Presenter: Karen J. Halpern, R.N., Esq., Fumuso, Kelly, DeVerna, Synder, Swart and Farrell, LLP

Suggested for: ♥ ⊠

With the increasing complexities of patients' medical needs and changes in the health, education and privacy laws that govern nursing practice, this workshop examines: malpractice, legal claims against the nurse, actions if served with legal papers, hiring an attorney, and possible court proceedings. Questions about licensure, practice and liability will be welcomed.

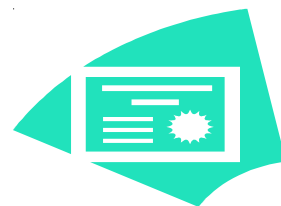
B6. Issues and Insights into the World of Family Caregiving - CEU Credit

Presenter: Carol Levine, M.A., Director, Families and Health Care Project, United Hospital Fund

Suggested for:

♥ ★

Join noted author and leading expert Carol Levine in a discussion on the challenges of family caregivers and their growing unmet needs. Changes in demographics, workforce patterns, and health care economics and services have resulted in a dramatic change in the extent and complexity of caregiving. Unpaid family caregivers are largely responsible for providing this type of community care which takes a toll on the caregiver, physically, emotionally and financially. This session provides insights for healthcare professionals who work with student, families, elderly and community resource professionals.



CEU's

We have applied for CEU credit (1.8 contact hours) for ten of the workshops offered at this year's conference. CEU credit is provided by AFT Healthcare, an accredited approver of continuing education in nursing through the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

Directions to Crown Plaza Hotel;

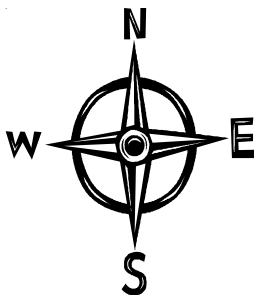
State & Lodge Streets
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FROM THE NORTH:

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Workshop Choices

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Registration Instruction

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Register Online or by Mail:

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To mail your completed registration form and pay by check, please use the enclosed pre-paid return envelope. Registrations will be accepted on a first come-first serve basis.

Registration Questions

E-mail jdoggett@nysutmail.org or call 800-342-9810, extension 6249.

Confirmation Notice

A confirmation notice will be sent by email to those who provide us an email address on the registration form. Otherwise, you'll receive a paper confirmation to the mailing address that you supply.

Payment

Payment must accompany the registration form. The cost is \$65.00 per person and covers the conference cost, materials, hotel parking and a continental breakfast and lunch. Pay online by credit card or submit a check by mail payable to NYSUT to be **received** no later than February 9, 2007.

Cancellations

Substitutions and cancellations will be accepted until February 23, 2007, after which no refunds will be made.

Overnight Accommodations

If you require overnight accommodations, NYSUT has reserved a block of rooms at the Crowne Plaza Albany City Center Hotel, Albany, New York at reduced rate of \$114.00 for single or double occupancy. Please call the hotel directly at 518-462-6611 and reference NYSUT Professional Issues Forum on Health Care. Please note that the cut-off date for these rooms is February 23, 2007.

Transportation

Participants/locals are responsible for transportation costs as well as miscellaneous expenses. The individual must pay for any personal charges on the hotel bill at checkout. Travel arrangements can be made directly with Amtrak and the airlines, or made by contacting Carlson Travel at 800-666-2929. Identify yourself as a NYSUT Professional Issues Forum attendee. Please note that ticketing fees will be applied.

Parking

Information on parking will be included in your confirmation letter.



Notes



New York State United Teachers ♦ Professional Issues Forum on Health Care March 17, 2007 ♦ Crowne Plaza Hotel - Albany, New York

REGISTRATION FORM – Deadline: Must be postmarked by February 9, 2007

Local President (for approval): _____ Local Name: _____ Street Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Day phone #: _____ Other contact #: _____
 NYSUT Local: K-12 Visiting Nurse NYSPA _____
 Community College Campus Professional Staff Congress _____
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Local Presidents Signature _____ (required)					WORKSHOP SESSION CHOICES PLEASE IDENTIFY IN THE BOXES BELOW THE WORKSHOP THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND EACH SESSION. SEE WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS IN THE PROGRAM TO HELP WITH YOUR CHOICE.		
Participant's Full Name PLEASE PRINT	Nickname	Street Address (required)	City, State, Zip	Participant best contact phone # (area code please)	EMAIL ADDRESS (print clearly – for registration confirmation notice)	SESSION A Select : A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, or A6	SESSION B Select: B1, B2, B3, B4, B5, or B6

Attending _____ @ \$65.00 per person = TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ _____

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 Other Questions: Call Jeannine Doggett at 800-342-9810, extension 6249

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NYSUT Healthcare Professionals Council Mission Statement

NYSUT's Healthcare Professionals Council (HCPC) consists of representatives of the segment of NYSUT's membership who work in a variety of health care related professions. NYSUT represents more than 13,000 full- and part-time health care professionals in diverse titles including, among others: registered nurse, medical doctor, pharmacist, therapist, psychologist, and clinical instructor.

These professionals are employed in a wide range of work settings, such as public and private sector schools, hospitals, universities, visiting nurse associations, private practice and residential and day treatment facilities. HCPC has been established by NYSUT to further improve communication with, and delivery of resources to, this important segment of its membership.