

January 2023 

Announcements



2023 ENROLLMENT IS NOW OPEN!!! RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP TODAY. [RENEW ONLINE.](#)

*** Membership dues will be good until December 31st, 2023**

***Deadline to renew/join 3/15/2023**

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Membership Spotlight



Please share something special going on in your life. New job, any accolades/awards received. We want to spotlight your hard work.

If you would like to be spotlighted in our BIWEEKLY membership newsletter, please send our corresponding secretary [Dr. Sheniece L. Martin-Stancil-El](#) an email. When emailing, please include a photo of yourself, your credentials, and whatever content you wish to share in the newsletter, day changed to Sunday evening's now biweekly instead of weekly. Any time sensitive communication will be sent out immediately. Deadline for submissions is Fridays by 12:00pm. Look forward to spotlighting all of your hard work.

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NBNA Capitol Hill 2023



Introduction

Welcome to the 35th Annual National Black Nurses Day on Capitol Hill 2023! We are excited to host 300 nurses, nursing students, thought leaders, and partners in Washington D.C. to address NBNA's top Legislative Priorities with Members of Congress.

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR THE MEETING](#)

The meeting will address this year's theme "Health Equity, Reckoning & Wellness: NBNA's Renewed Call to Action."

The seven Legislative Priorities NBNA will address are:

1. Ensuring Health Equity: Supporting the Nursing Workforce
2. Gun Violence: America's Continued Crisis
3. Obesity: America's Health Calamity
4. Suicide: A Mental Health Catastrophe
5. Equity and Wellness: Climate and Environmental Justice
6. Criminal Justice Reform and Health Inequities
7. Awakening: Time to Reckon with Black Maternity Health

The day-long program will start at 7:00 a.m., and will be held at the [Hilton Washington DC Capitol Hill](#).

The NBNA 2023 Legislative Tool Kit will be presented from 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. At this time, Members of Congress will also deliver brief greetings in-person or by video.

Our Capitol Hill live, or virtual visits will occur from approximately 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. You should make your appointments NOW (if you have not already) or whenever the Member of Congress or Hill staff person is available. The luncheon and keynote will begin at 1:00 p.m.

The debriefing session will focus on what you discussed/learned from your Members of Congress visit. The debriefing session will begin at 2:00 p.m., followed by Final Words, the Wrap-up, Evaluation, and Reception to celebrate the 35th Annual National Black Nurses Association Day on Capitol Hill!

Members of the NBNA Health Policy Committee

- Dr. Sheldon Fields, Chair
- Dr. Loretta T. Lee, Co-Chair
- Constance Brown
- Denise Bell
- Helen Bhwagwandin
- Sandy Cayo
- Tammy Davis
- Charrita Ernewein
- Teretha Jones
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- Fredrick Richardson
- Sharon Roger
- Dr. Lenora Yates



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Upcoming Events

Are You A Parent or Guardian of A Young Adolescent Who Is 10-14 Years Old?

If you are 18 Years and Older

Share your thoughts during an interview or a listening session about young adolescents' sexual health development support. You will be paid \$30 if you qualify and participate in a 1-hour individual interview or listening session

To learn more and see if you qualify for a 1-hour interview or listening session call or email today:

Rose Muheriwa - 585-490-7646 Rose_Muheriwa@urmc.rochester.edu
 Marian Moskow-585-273-2699 Marian_Moskow@urmc.rochester.edu
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RSRB Agreement Date: 12/23/2022

Listening session is on January 7th 2023 from 11:00 am at Arnett Library, Arnett 310 Blvd, Rochester, NY 14619. But the interviews are scheduled based on participants' eligibility.

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CLINICAL EDUCATION INITIATIVE



Do you know?

The NYSDOH AIDS Institute is proud to announce the Health Equity Leadership Institute beginning mid-winter 2023.

The [Health Equity Clinical Leadership Institute](#) is a 12-month virtual learning collaborative offered ONLY to NYS physicians, advanced practice nurses and health facility administrators.

The Institute will focus on evaluating the real-world application of NYSDOH Health Equity Competencies and Health Care Organization Considerations in Support of Health Equity. Through monthly, 90-minute meetings, health equity leaders will learn from nationally recognized health equity experts and begin the process of transforming their practices and organizations by implementing and evaluating the impact of one or more elements from the [Health Equity Competencies or Health Care Organization Considerations in Support of Health Equity](#). Participants will emerge as thought leaders experienced in promoting health equity and will be supported in submitting their findings for publication in the professional literature. CME credits and Certificate of Completion provided.

For more information, contact HEComps@health.ny.gov.

To be considered, [please complete and submit this application](#) prior to January 31st.

Hepatitis C Dried Blood Spot (DBS) Testing in NYS

To support NYS's goal to [eliminate hepatitis C \(HCV\)](#) by 2030, the AIDS Institute is collaborating with the Wadsworth Center Bloodborne Viruses Laboratory to expand access to diagnostic HCV RNA testing through dried blood spot (DBS). The AIDS Institute will provide free DBS supplies and technical assistance to qualified agencies who provide HCV antibody testing.

DBS is fingerstick alternative to blood collection via venipuncture. Drops of blood are collected on a specialized card and air dried before shipping to the laboratory for analysis. Results are usually available within 4 – 6 business days.

To inquire about providing HCV RNA testing through DBS, send an email to rtpai@health.ny.gov.

Read more [here](#).

New location!

The CEI Sexual Health Center of Excellence recently moved office locations. It is now located at 205 St. Paul Street, Rochester, NY 14604

Looking for a new or updated guideline? Check the [NYSDOH AI Clinical Guidelines Program](#)

The program offers clinical practice guidelines that establish uniform standards of care for NYS to improve the health and well-being of all adults who receive prevention services or treatment for HIV, viral hepatitis, other sexually transmitted infections, and substance use disorders.

Conversations with CEI Podcast

How Can We Destigmatize HIV and Pregnancy?

Preventing perinatal HIV transmission is an important strategy for eliminating HIV. Historically, rates of perinatal HIV transmission were 25-40% without interventions, but advances in HIV research, prevention, and treatment have made it possible to reduce that risk to less than 1%. Despite this progress, many myths and misconceptions about HIV and pregnancy remain.

In this episode, Dr. Antonio E. Urbina, Medical Director of CEI's HIV Primary Care and Prevention Center of Excellence speaks with Dr. Andrés Ramirez Zamudio, Assistant Professor in the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Sciences and Department of Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases, at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai. Drs. Urbina and Ramirez Zamudio discuss strategies for preventing perinatal HIV transmission more broadly. They also unpack common myths and misconceptions to help destigmatize HIV in pregnancy. Find ["Conversations with CEI"](#) Podcast wherever you listen to podcasts, including:

[Podbean](#) / [Spotify](#) / [Apple Podcasts](#) / [iHeartRadio](#) / [Google Podcasts](#)

Do you have a clinical question on PEP, PrEP, HIV, HCV, STIs or Drug User Health management? Call the [CEI clinician line](#) and discuss with a specialist.

Call: 866-637-2342

New Online Courses!

CEI announces the availability of **new online accredited courses**:

- [HIV/AIDS Confidentiality Law Overview](#) - re-accredited
- [Cervical and Breast Cancer Screening for Persons Living with HIV](#)
- [Achieved SVR, What's Next? Hepatitis C Post-treatment Outcomes and Management](#)
- [Updates from IDWeek 2022 on HIV, Monkeypox and COVID-19](#) [course provided by Physicians' Research Network (PRN)]
- [Prevention Strategies for Immune Compromised Individuals](#) [course provided by Physicians' Research Network (PRN)]
- [Diverse Case Presentations of Monkeypox in NYC](#) [course provided by Physicians' Research Network (PRN)]
- [Stimulating Sexual Health Updates: Diagnosis & Management of Sexually Transmitted Infections](#) [course provided by Physicians' Research Network (PRN)]

and new Learning Modules:

- [ECHO: PEP or PrEP for STIs? A Closer Look at Current Evidence Behind Doxycycline](#)
- [ECHO: Syphilis in Pregnancy and Congenital Syphilis](#)

Visit [ceitraining.org](#) today to sign-up for other training opportunities: live and online trainings, webinars, preceptorships, HIV, STD and Drug User Health ECHO sessions.

UPCOMING TRAININGS

CEI ECHO

Our ECHO sessions offer free CME

**Sexual Health ECHO
COVID Vaccines: Updates and Challenges**

Wednesday, January 11, 2022
12:00 - 1:00 PM EST

Speaker: Angela Branche, MD

To register [click here!](#)

Questions? Contact Corrie_Lese@umc.rochester.edu

HIV ECHO

The HIV COE offers a special new 4-part ECHO series on ["Optimizing Patient Outcomes in HIV Treatment and Care"](#)

[Sign Up Today!](#)

Monthly sessions will be Wednesdays:
February 1, 2023 / 12:00 - 1:00 pm
March 1, 2023 / 12:00 - 1:00 pm
April 5, 2023 / 12:00 - 1:00 pm
May 3, 2023 / 12:00 - 1:00 pm

Questions? Contact Mark.Stratton@mountsinai.org

CEI Webinars

Adolescence and Epilepsy - A Focus on Sexual Health

Sexual Health Lunch & Learn Series

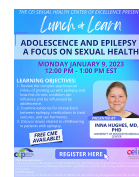
Monday, January 9, 2023
12:00 - 1:00 PM EST

Speaker: Inna Hughes, MD, PhD

CME Available!

To register [click here!](#)

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2023 Update in Hepatitis C Clinical Management
A three-part HepCare and CEI Co-sponsored Series

Please register for each session of this series individually.

Tuesday, January 31st, 2023
Hepatitis C Testing and Pre-Treatment Evaluation
4:30-5:30 PM EST
Speaker: Julius Wilder, MD, PhD
CME and CNE credits are available!
Register: [click here](#)

Tuesday, February 7th, 2023
Hepatitis C Treatment
4:30-5:30 PM EST
Speaker: Oluwaseun Falade-Nwulia, MBBS, MPH
CME and CNE credits are available!
Register: [click here](#)

Tuesday, March 7th
Hepatitis C Reinfection
4:30-5:30 PM EST
Speaker: Anthony Martinez, MD, AAHIVS, FAASLD
CME and CNE credits are available!
Register: [click here](#)

Questions? Contact Charlotte.Miller@mountsinai.org

Need to refresh your knowledge?
Request a free CEI CE accredited training

If you would like to request a live web-based training at your organization please contact the CEI Centers' coordinators:

- **HIV Trainings** - contact [Mark Stratton, MPH](#), or fill out the [Training Intake Survey](#)
- **HCV/Drug User Health Trainings** - contact [Lauren Walker, MPH](#), or fill out the [Training Intake Survey](#)
- **Sexual Health Trainings** - contact [Jessica VanScott, MPH](#) or fill out the [Training Intake Survey](#)

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NBNA SCHOLARSHIPS 2023

Scholarship Eligibility Criteria

- Must be a **current** NBNA member
- Must be **currently** enrolled in an accredited nursing program
- Must have at **least one year** before graduation
- Must have an official transcript sent to the national office (**before deadline**)
- Letter from Registrar (**enrollment & expected date of graduation**)*
- 2-Page Personal statement/Essay
- Two LOR (SON & local Chapter President/VP)*
- CV or resume
- **Submission deadline – April 15, 2023 by 5 pm EST**
- **On-line upload only (JotForm)**

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NBNA NOY Award Program Overview

- To award members for their outstanding achievements, contribution to the profession, and impact as it relates to a specific area
- **Nurse of the Year Awards**
 - Administrative
 - Advanced Practice
 - Student
 - Nurse Entrepreneur
 - Nurse Educator
 - Community Service
 - Nurse Researcher
 - Staff Nurse
 - Outstanding LPN/LVN
 - Uniformed Services
- ✓ **Plaque**

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NOY Eligibility Criteria

- Must be a **current** NBNA member
- Cannot be a current board member or held position 2 years prior to application
- Must be **nominated by Chapter President/VP***
- Only one person can be nominated **per category** for each chapter*
- A member can only be nominated for **only one award***
- 2-Page Personal statement/Essay
- Include only activities within the **last 5 years***
- Two LOR (One must be from current Chapter President/VP)*
- CV or resume
- **Submission deadline – May 15, 2023 by 5 pm EST**
- **On-line upload only**

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NBNA Daisy Foundation Health Equity Awards

- To recognize excellence for members that go over and beyond to address health equity and work to mitigate one or more of the social determinants of health
 - Frontline Registered Nurse
 - LPN/LVN Nurse
 - Student
 - Chapter President Leadership
 - NBNA Chapter (Team)
 - **Must** describe at least one chapter project in detail* (3-page max)
 - Bio, resume, CV, & career/personal statement not necessary
- ✓ **Healer's Touch Sculpture & Daisy Certificate (Conf. grant, reduced cert.)**
- **Deadline May 15, 2023 by 5 pm (EST)**

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General Award Criteria

- Must be a current full member of NBNA.
- Must not be a current Board member .
- Must not have held a Board position two (2) years prior to date of application.
- Outstanding achievement in the designated area for the award
 - Additional criteria based on category
 - Uniformed Services of the United States consist of the five (5) Armed Forces branches (Army, Air Force, Navy, Coast Guard, and Marines); U.S. Public Health Services (under the Department of Health & Human Services); and National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (under the Department of Commerce).
- Member can only be nominated for **one award***

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General Award Criteria (cont.)

- A completed typed or printed application form.
- Two letters of recommendation
 - One letter **must** be from current Chapter President/VP who can validate the information in your application, and your qualifications for the award being nominated for*
 - The second letter can be from a patient, teacher, work supervisor, pastor, executive director of community-based organization, etc.
- One-page bio
- Copy of your current resume or CV
- Personal career statement (Two-page max)
- Current high-resolution photo
- Uploaded on-line

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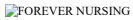
Key Points

- Be aware of **changes**
- Start the application process early
- Send for official transcripts in advance (**scholarship applications without transcripts will not be reviewed**)
- Submit all required and supporting documents at the same time (one PDF)
- President/VP LOR is important
- Only one member per chapter per award category
- All applications submitted on-line
- **Scholarship deadline – April 15th by 5 pm (EST)**
- **Award deadline – May 15th by 5 pm (EST)**
- **"Thank You" to Scholarship Sponsors**

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Scholarship & Benefits



Undergraduate Scholarship Application

Now Available!

Undergraduate scholarships are available to students currently enrolled in a state-approved nursing program leading to an associate degree, baccalaureate, diploma, direct-entry master's degree, RN to BSN/MSN completion, LPN/LVN to RN, or accelerated programs. Scholarship awards up to \$10,000 per award may only be used for tuition, books, and academic fees.

Don't Miss Out...Apply Now!

Click Here To Apply

[Apply - 2023 Undergraduate Scholarship Application](#)

Applications must be **submitted by Midnight Eastern Standard time**
Deadline Friday, January 27, 2023.

All applicants will be notified of a decision in March 2023



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CONFERENCES




Interested in submitting an abstract?? See attached brochure for more details.

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Monthly Meeting Information

Rochester Black Nurses Association Inc.



Open to all RNs, LPNs, Nursing Students, Retirees and those who support the mission of NBNA
 NBNA's mission: To serve as the voice for Black nurses and diverse populations ensuring equal access to professional development, promoting educational opportunities and improving health.
 RBNA motto: "The Heart of Community Health: Bridging the Gap"
 Chapter Meetings occur the 4th Tuesday of the month 6-8pm
 Sponsored by University of Rochester, School of Nursing
 CE topic: N/A

Location: Zoom ID 854 4269 2245
When: 4th Tuesday of the month
 January 24th, 2022
Time: 6-8pm

Join our FB and Instagram @RochesterBNA
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MENTAL HEALTH AND THE PANDEMIC



Text HOME to 741741 to connect with a Crisis Counselor

NEWLY ADDED MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES ACCEPTING NEW CLIENTS:

Serena Viktor LMSW (Founder & Therapist @ Pila Hande Wellness Project LLC: ubunturoots@gmail.com (accepting self clients only) 214-772-1036

Danni Jo, LMHC: specializing in Maternal Health Mental Health with a certification in Perinatal Mental Health- 585-420-6174 (accepting new clients)

La Carla Holmes, FPMHNP: commonsensemh.com

National Suicide Prevention Hotline: 1-800-273-8255

YouthLine: Text teen2teen to 839863, or call 1-877-968-8491

<https://www.mharochester.org/>

<https://www.sankofafamilycounseling.com/>

<https://bpnroc.org/>

<https://www.psychologytoday.com>

<https://www.georgetownbehavior.com>

<https://www.augsburg.edu>

<https://blackmentalhealth.com>



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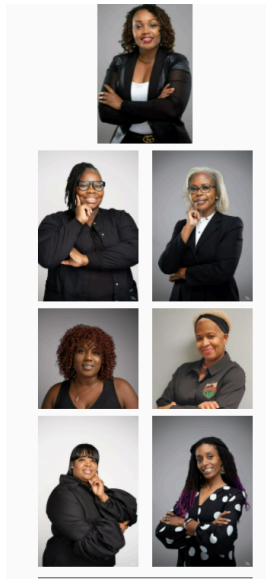
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