



*52nd Annual
Spring Conference*



March 26-28, 2024

Caesars Atlantic City Hotel & Casino

ATTENDEE PROSPECTUS

Registration Information

There is no online registration option for this conference.

WITHOUT EXCEPTION, FACILITY REGISTRATION CLOSES ON FRIDAY, MARCH 15, 2024. REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED AFTER MARCH 4 WILL INCUR A \$50 LATE PROCESSING FEE AS INDICATED ON THE REGISTRATION FORM.

(Reminder: You must register using the name that is on your active license.)

**NEW THIS YEAR! HCANJ member benefit:
Center group registration for 3 - 8 registrants. See registration form for details.**

REGISTRATION INCLUDES: Access to education sessions, exhibit hall, prize drawings, buffet breakfast & lunch, and refreshment breaks (*Kosher lunch available upon advance request*).

Each individual must be registered and have paid the daily fee in order to take advantage of that listed above.

BADGES/PROGRAM MATERIALS Please make certain to print your information clearly on your registration form or type into the fillable form to avoid badge errors. Badges cannot be mailed in advance. Each registered individual must pick up their own badge at the onsite registration desk. ID may be required at the time of badge pick-up.

CANCELLATIONS/REFUND POLICY HCANJ reserves the right to cancel any program for which registration fees received are insufficient to support budgeted expenses. When HCANJ cancels a program and rescheduling fails, all registration fees are refunded in full with notification. A 50% refund will be offered for attendee cancellations made at least 30 days in advance. After that time, HCANJ regrets that we are unable to offer refunds for canceled registrations or no-shows, nor can we offer credit for future programs. In the event of inclement weather, call the HCANJ office at (609) 890-8700 for cancellation information.

REGISTRATION SUBSTITUTIONS If the individual who originally registered is unable to attend the program, we encourage substitution from the same facility. Since badges are not transferable, individuals wishing to make a substitution should email the change request to michelle@hcanj.org by the Tuesday before the event. Be sure to include the replacement attendee's name, title and email in order to process the change and so that a new badge can be prepared in advance of the conference.

EXHIBITOR PRIZE DRAWINGS All prize drawings will take place in the exhibit room during lunch. Attendees wishing to participate must visit with exhibitors on a daily basis, complete their ballots, or drop off business cards prior to each drawing. Participants must be registered for the conference and must be present in the exhibit room to win or another name will be drawn and announced.

LODGING All lodging is made and paid by the participant and not included in your registration fee. A limited amount of rooms are blocked at the discounted rate of \$89/night plus applicable taxes on a first-come, first-served basis. The discounted block will be held through February 24, 2024. After that date, reservations are on a space-availability basis at the current hotel rate.

To reserve a room at Caesars Atlantic City:

- Call the hotel directly at 888-516-2215 (8 a.m. - 2 a.m. EST, 7 days a week).
- Give the group name and code: **Health Care Association of New Jersey / SC03HC4*** There is a maximum of four persons per guest room. Each additional person will be charged at a rate of \$20 per person, per night. **All callers will be asked for this code but can also book by saying "Health Care Association."*

OR

Reserve your room online [HERE](#).

CONTINUING EDUCATION AND CONTACT HOURS Credit hours are indicated in each program description. All attendees will be scanned both in and out of each program in order to track and award accurate education credits/contact hours. All attendees will be required to fill out an evaluation which will be collected at the conclusion of each program.

HCANJ reserves the right to make alterations, additions, or omissions to the program or schedule when, in our opinion, such alteration is necessary.

ADMINISTRATOR EDUCATION CONTACT HOURS This continuing education program is approved for LNHA and CALA by the Health Care Association of New Jersey (HCANJ) and is in compliance with N.J.A.C. 8:34-7.3 to provide licensed nursing home administrator (LNHA) and certified assisted living administrator (CALA) education credits accepted by the Nursing Home Administrators Licensing Board (NHALB). This education activity may only be used for continuing education credit and not to meet academic college credits.

New Jersey and New York credits have been approved. Pennsylvania credits are pending approval.

LNHA and CALA certificates will be available on the HCANJ website 30 days after the close of the conference. Certificates can be printed at <http://ceu.hcanj.org/>. Rutgers will contact attendees directly regarding nursing certificates.

NURSING EDUCATION CONTACT HOURS This activity has been submitted to Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences and is accredited by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the Accreditation Council for continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.

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The nurse planner and speakers have been cleared that there is no presence of conflict of interest for this event. There is no sponsorship received for this event.

QUESTIONS? Please call the HCANJ Office at (609) 890-8700 or email Michelle Palko at michelle@hcanj.org

**Our thanks to the vendors who are supporting this conference!
Please stop by and visit with them.**

8 – 9 a.m. - Registration Open / Complimentary Breakfast / Tour of Exhibits

9 – 10:30 a.m.

Futuristic Wellness: The Transformative Impact of Telehealth and Technology on Resident Outcomes

Join us as you are taken on an illuminating journey through the boundless possibilities of leveraging technology in senior care. Discover how innovative services pave the way for enhanced chronic care, seamlessly reduce rehospitalizations and revolutionize the entire continuum of care. Brace yourself for a deep dive into the realm of tech-enabled solutions, as Andre unveils how these tools not only elevate staff efficiency but also catalyze a paradigm shift in population health management, ensuring a brighter future for senior living professionals like you.

Andre Gomez, *President & COO, BEDROCK Healthcare At Home*

1.5 Hours approved NJ LNHA and CALA. PA and NY LNHA and Nursing Contact Hours pending approval

10:30 – 11 a.m. - Morning Break / Tour of Exhibits

11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Are You Survey Ready Every Day?

We all know that surveys have become more difficult. The number of deficiencies cited is up, scope and severity is higher, and penalties are more severe. Effectively managing the survey process is more important than ever. Today you will hear from a lawyer, a clinical consultant, and a former state surveyor about effective strategies to prepare for and manage the survey process. They will review all aspects of pre-survey preparation, in-survey communications, and how to challenge survey results.

MODERATOR: Deborah Gottlieb, *Managing Member, Amadeus Healthcare Consulting, LLC*

PANEL: Brian Rath, *Shareholder, Buchanan, Ingersoll & Rooney PC*
Nelia Adaci, *RNC, BSN, RAC-MTA, RAC-MT, DNS-CT, QCP-CT, CDONA, Chief Operating Officer, The CHARTS Group*
Donna Koller, *RN, BS, Retired NJ DOH Program Manager*

1.5 Ethics Hours approved NJ LNHA and CALA. PA and NY LNHA and Nursing Contact Hours pending approval

12:30 – 1:30 p.m. - Complimentary Lunch / Tour of Exhibits

1:30 – 3 pm

Substance Use Disorder, the Silent Epidemic

This session will outline how to access care for those with substance abuse and opioid use disorder. Learn how to strengthen equity and quality in behavioral health care and improve access to substance use disorder prevention, treatment, and recovery services. Continuity of care from nursing facility to a home setting and reducing re-hospitalization and preventable overdose-related death attributed to substance use disorder will be discussed.

Presenter TBA

1.5 Hours approved NJ LNHA and CALA. PA and NY LNHA and Nursing Contact Hours pending approval

3 – 3:30 pm Afternoon Break / Tour of Exhibits

3:30 – 5 p.m.

Navigating the Nexus: Understanding the Impact of MDS Section D - Mood on Reimbursement in Long Term Care

In today's session, we will delve into the crucial aspects of MDS Section D, unraveling the profound significance of understanding and documenting mood in healthcare assessments. The exploration extends to the intricate link between mood and reimbursement, shedding light on how accurate reporting directly influences financial outcomes. Practical strategies and best practices will be shared, empowering healthcare professionals to elevate their interview processes. By recognizing the nuances of mood assessment, attendees will gain valuable insights into not only improving patient care but also optimizing financial outcomes.

Alicia Cantinieri, *MBA, BSN, RN, CHC, RAC-MT, RAC-CTA, DNS-CT, QCP, SVP of Clinical Policy and Education, Zimmet Healthcare Services Group*
Jenny Pourakis, *LCSW, Senior Vice President Operations, Senior Care Therapy*

1.5 Hours approved NJ LNHA. PA and NY LNHA and Nursing Contact Hours pending approval

▶▶▶ NEW THIS YEAR! MEMBERS ONLY! ◀◀◀
Group registration!

- Register 3 – 8 employees from the same center and pay a flat fee of \$1500 **covering all three days.**
- Multiple centers may not combine staff on one registration.
- Corporate/regional staff cannot be included on a center's registration. They must submit a separate registration.
- Fewer than three staff members from one center must register as individuals.

8 – 9 a.m. - Registration Open / Complimentary Breakfast / Tour of Exhibits

9 – 10:30 a.m.

Creating a Roadmap Addressing Nursing Shortages

Join us as we discuss the workforce crisis and the Long Term Care RN Clinical Rotation Program. This collaborative program offers communities to be clinical sites for RN nursing students' clinical rotation. Ultimately, we hope this initiative will establish a sustainable pipeline of RN candidates in long term care communities.

MODERATOR: Charles Larobis, RN, BSN, CDP, CADDCT, *Director Quality, Clinical & Regulatory Services, HCANJ*
PANEL: Dr. Nina Vaid Raoji, DNP, APN-BC, MSN, RN, *EMPOWERIZEME, Soft Skills Workshop, Founder/ Lead*
Linda J Hassler, DNP, RN, GCNS-BS, CNE, FGNLA, *Assistant Professor, Rutgers School of Nursing*
Anne Alonzo, BSN, RN, QCP, *Director of Nursing, Christian Health*

1.5 Hours approved NJ LNHA and CALA. PA and NY LNHA and Nursing Contact Hours pending approval

10:30 – 11:00 am Morning Break / Tour of Exhibits

11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Navigating Liability and Workers Compensation

This session offers attendees valuable insights into the intricacies of risk management, compliance, and workers' compensation within the nursing facility environment. We will discuss comprehensive strategies focusing on risk mitigation, strict adherence to compliance standards, and effective handling of workers' compensation claims. Participants will learn about creating a safe and supportive environment that benefits both residents and staff, alongside implementing robust operational processes. This contributes to operational excellence, elevates the quality of care, and fosters higher employee engagement and retention.

Lisa Brocky, LNHA, Administrator, *Mitig8 Risk Management*
Hindy Katz, RN, BSN, COS-C, WOC, LNC, CEO, *Mitig8 Risk Management*
Maia Srar, Chief Executive Officer, Risk & Claims Management, *Allegiant Risk*

1.5 Hours approved NJ LNHA and CALA. PA and NY LNHA and Nursing Contact Hours pending approval

12:30 – 1:30 pm Complimentary Lunch / Tour of Exhibits

1:30 – 3 p.m.

Local Resources Available To Assist You

Join our panelists as they share information about the free services that are available that you can take advantage of when seeking a solution to a problem or just vetting ideas for your community.

MODERATOR: Andrew Aronson, *President & CEO, HCANJ*
PANEL: Charles Larobis, RN, BSN, CDP, CADDCT, *Director Quality, Clinical & Regulatory Services, HCANJ*
J. David Weidner, MPH, CEM, REHS, MEP, CHEP, *Director, Emergency Management, HCANJ*
Linda Araya, MS, *NHSN Coordinator, NJ DOH*
Jessica Arias, MHL, BSN, RN, CIC, FAPIC, *ICAR Unit Lead, New Jersey Department of Health*

1.5 Hours approved NJ LNHA and CALA. PA and NY LNHA and Nursing Contact Hours pending approval

3 – 3:30 pm Afternoon Break / Tour of Exhibits

3:30 – 5 p.m.

Developing a Water Management Program to Reduce Legionella Growth & Spread in Buildings

Learn to implement industry standards through practical guides, identify potential Legionella threats in your community, and understand the essential elements of a water management program. Our presenters will explore effective control measures to grasp basic internal corrective actions, empowering you to proactively address and minimize Legionella growth, ensuring a safer and healthier environment within your community.

Rey Montes de Oca, *Project Manager, Omega Environmental Services*
Larry Zacchero, *Project Manager, Omega Environmental Services*

1.5 Hours approved NJ LNHA and CALA. PA and NY LNHA and Nursing Contact Hours pending approval

8 – 9 a.m. Registration Open / Complimentary Breakfast

9 – 11 a.m.

Sepsis Awareness

This session will define Sepsis and give attendees a better understanding of it. You will learn how to identify the populations at risk, the signs and symptoms of Sepsis, and what an infection treatment criteria should entail.

Charles Larobis, RN, BSN, CDP, CADDCT, *Director Quality, Clinical & Regulatory Services, HCANJ*

2 Hours approved NJ LNHA and CALA. PA and NY LNHA and Nursing Contact Hours pending approval

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