

# Annual Convention

Best Western Premier Helena Great Northern Hotel

October 8-9, 2026

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| THURSDAY OCT. 8 | 8:00          | Registration - Foyer                                                                                       |
|                 | 8:30 - 9:45   | House of Delegates                                                                                         |
|                 | 9:45 - 10:00  | Break & Visit Exhibitors                                                                                   |
|                 | 10:00 - 11:15 | *Session 1 - Reignite Inspire Support Empower (R.I.S.E.)<br>Andrea Coyle, DNP, MHA, NE-BC                  |
|                 | 11:15 - 11:25 | Session Transition                                                                                         |
|                 | 11:25 - 12:25 | *Session 2 - Beyond the Scale: The Science of Sustainable Weight Loss<br>Adria Strable, DNP,FNP, CNE, BSBA |
|                 | 12:25 - 1:30  | Lunch - Meet & Greet Exhibitors -<br>MNA Foundation Silent Auction                                         |
|                 | 1:30 - 2:30   | *Session 3 - Measles: What to Know for your Healthcare Setting<br>Jessica Lopeman, MPH, BSN, RN-BC, a-IPC  |
|                 | 2:30 - 2:50   | Break & Visit Exhibitors                                                                                   |
|                 | 2:50 - 3:50   | *Session 4 - Palliative, Hospice End of Life Care Differences & Misconceptions<br>TBD                      |
|                 | 4:00 - 5:00   | Collective Bargaining Assembly<br>(collective bargaining members only)                                     |
|                 | 5:30 - 9:00   | Mingle & Unwind - Dinner & Music Bingo at Missouri River Brewing<br>Company<br>Transportation Provided     |

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| FRIDAY OCT. 9 | 8:00                   | Registration                                                                                                                                             |
|               | 8:30 - 9:45            | <b>*Session 5</b> - Perimenopause/Menopause Update<br>Dena Geiger, MSN, APRN, FNP, CN                                                                    |
|               | 9:45 - 9:55            | <b>Session Transition</b>                                                                                                                                |
|               | 9:55 - 10:55           | <b>*Session 6</b> - Multidrug-Resistant Organisms in Montana: Key Insights for Healthcare Facilities<br>Erica Baldry, MPH, CIC                           |
|               | 10:55 - 11:10          | <b>Break &amp; Visit Exhibitors</b>                                                                                                                      |
|               | 11:10 - 12:25          | <b>*Session 7</b> - Strategies to Strengthen & Protect Nursing Practice from Litigation- Documentation & Legal Pearls<br>Elizabeth Potter, BSN, RN, LNCC |
|               | 12:25 - 1:15           | <b>Lunch &amp; Visit Exhibitors</b><br><b>Closing Silent Auction at 12:45</b>                                                                            |
|               | 1:15 - End of Business | House of Delegates                                                                                                                                       |

\*Denotes Nursing Continuing Professional Development (NCPD) contact hours available

Agenda subject to change

**Thank you District #2 for hosting!**  
**See you in Helena next year - October 7-8, 2027**

**Criteria for Successful Completion:** Contact hours awarded are commensurate with NCPD sessions attended and submission of an electronic evaluation form.

None of the planners or presenters for this educational activity have relevant financial relationships to disclose with ineligible companies.

Montana Nurses Association is approved with distinction as a provider of nursing continuing professional development by Virginia Nurses Association, an accredited approver with distinction by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

