



**Central Alabama Veterans Healthcare System &
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The 2009 Advanced Practice Nurses Conference



Renaissance Hotel & Spa at the Convention Center
Downtown Montgomery, Alabama

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April 24, 2009

Place:

Renaissance Hotel & Spa at the Convention Center
201 Tallapoosa Street
Montgomery, Alabama 36104
Phone: 334-481-5000

Purpose:

This educational program is designed to enable participants to improve clinical care for veterans and to enhance communication among VA nursing providers. The meeting will emphasize the importance of incorporating effective treatment strategies based on available evidence and the need for a multidisciplinary team approach.

Outcome Objectives:

At the conclusion of this program participants will be able to:

Define models and systems of care designed to provide primary, secondary, and tertiary prevention as they relate to diabetic foot complications such as infection, neuropathy, neuro-arthropathy, and ischemia.

Discuss building interdisciplinary teams to care for the complex issues those patients with diabetes present.

Identify strategies to improve self-management through educational interventions.

Articulate the principles of wound care, limb salvage, and amputation as they relate to maintaining maximum functional potential; and their impact on the quality of life.

Describe prosthetic and orthotic principles as they relate to ulcers, partial and total amputations.

Translate research findings into clinical practice to improve clinical outcomes and the quality of life for veterans.

Target Audience:

Advanced Practice Nurses and all other nurses, nursing students, and health care providers.

Accreditation/Approval:

This educational activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the standards of the American Nurses Credentialing Center.

Continuing Education:

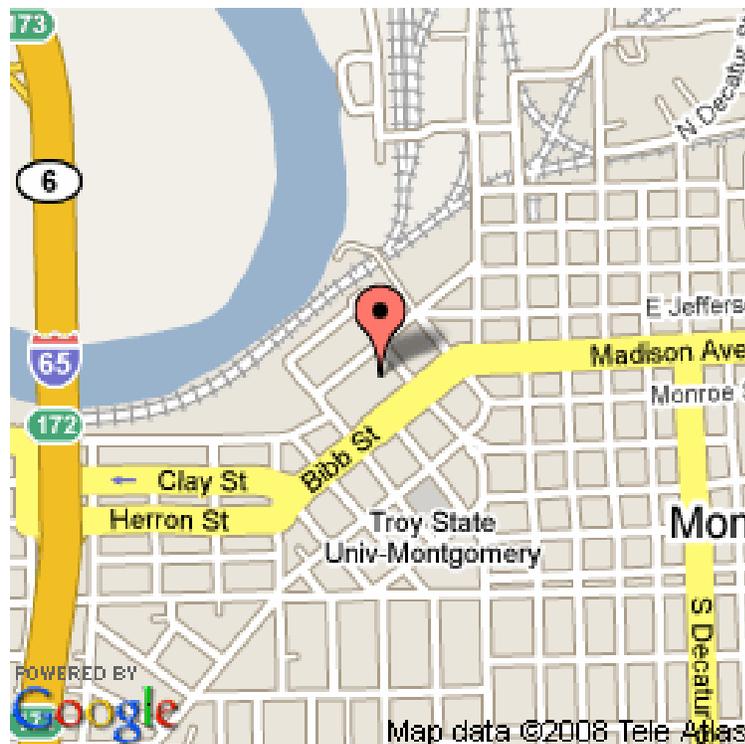
Alabama State Nurses' Association (ASNA) (an ANCC Provider) The Central Alabama Veterans Health Care System (CAVHCS) is an approved provider of continuing education in nursing by the Alabama State Nurses' Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. CAVHCS designates this activity for 6.5 contact hours (Pharmacology 1 contact hour). Provider #5-101. In order to receive a certificate, you must sign in at the beginning of this activity, complete an evaluation, and attend 100% of the program.

Report of Training:

It is the program participant's responsibility to ensure that this training is documented in the appropriate location according to his/her locally prescribed process.

Directions:

Driving Directions: Take I-65 to Exit 172 for Herron Street. Take a slight left at North Holt Street followed by a slight right at Bell Street. Continue to 201 Tallapoosa Street.



**2009 Advanced Practice Nurses Conference
Montgomery, Alabama**

“Meeting the Challenges of Today’s Veteran”

Friday, April 24, 2009

- 7:30 - 8:00 AM Registration**
- 8:00 - 8:15 Welcome**
- 8:15 - 9:35 Federal Suicide Prevention Efforts: Partnerships and Promise**
- Beverly Benson, ACSW, LGSW
- Karen McNealy-Boswell, LCSW, PIP
- 1. Discuss conditions among recently deployed veterans.**
 - 2. Describe symptoms applicable to each condition.**
 - 3. Present overview of services and treatment approaches.**
- 9:35 - 10:15 Prevention Amputation Care Therapeutics - PACT**
- David Swain, DPM
- 1. Learn how to identify patients at risk for leg/foot amputation.**
 - 2. Describe how to assign lower extremity risk scores.**
 - 3. Discuss appropriate referrals and treatment protocols.**
- 10:15 - 10:30 Break**
- 10:30 - 11:30 Spousal Abuse**
- Stacey Searcy, MSN, CRNP
- 1. Describe magnitude of spousal abuse in society.**
 - 2. Discuss recognition of signs of abuse.**
 - 3. Describe evaluation, treatment and community resources.**

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Instructions to the Participant

Program Title: 2009 Advanced Practice Nurses Conference

Program location: Renaissance Hotel & Spa at the Convention Center
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Phone: 334-481-5000

Registration Hours: Friday, April 24, 2009 from 7:30am—8:00am

Program Begins: Friday, April 24, 2009 8:00am and ends at 4:30pm

Parking: On-site parking is \$10/day. Valet Parking is \$16.00/day. Street parking is available but most spots are metered.

Program Questions: Eugene P. Goldman, DPM, FACFAS
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Hotel Questions: Angela Howell, Event Manager
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Refreshments: **Lunch is on your own but** box lunches will available from the hotel for \$20 including tax. The sandwich choices are roast beef or turkey and the box includes chips, fruit and a drink. They must be pre-ordered and paid in full by Tuesday, April 21, 2009. There are a few restaurants within walking distance including one in the hotel itself. There will be a morning and an afternoon break. The refreshments are on your own.



