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**CULTIVATING LEADERS IN THE KIDNEY
CARE COMMUNITY FOR 40 YEARS**

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**WORKSHOP ON
DIALYSIS
MANAGEMENT**

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CONFERENCE**

**DIALYSIS, NEPHROLOGIST
AND FACILITY LEADER
SYMPOSIUM**

**HYATT REGENCY AUSTIN
OCTOBER 18-21 | AUSTIN, TX**

PLEASE JOIN US

NRAA is a nonprofit association serving dialysis and kidney care professionals through education, advocacy and services for the past 40 years. The Annual Conference provides kidney care professionals with the opportunity to network with each other and hear from leading experts in the kidney community, government agencies, health care industry and the dialysis business world.

Interactive and engaging educational sessions will address critical and timely topics that focus on improving patient care in a changing environment. In addition, attendees will learn strategies to lead a successful facility with streamlined operations, reduced costs and increased efficiencies.

WHY ATTEND?

- Gain valuable insights on the state of the ESRD industry
- Learn how leading experts are improving patient care
- Hear how to prepare your facility for changing regulations
- Network with other kidney care professionals & exchange ideas and best practices
- Meet with leading ESRD service and equipment providers
- Earn CE contact hours for attending sessions

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Facility Administrators
- Nurse Managers
- Medical Directors
- Technicians
- Financial/Billing Managers
- Senior Executives
Representing Hospitals
- Universities and
Freestanding Facilities



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EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

WORKSHOP ON DIALYSIS MANAGEMENT

WEDNESDAY | 10.18

The Workshop is designed for people managing staff and facilities that want to improve their knowledge and skills in facility administration and operations to become leaders in their role.

The 2017 program will feature the following topics:

- Creating and Maintaining a Culture of Patient Safety
- Strategies to Improve the Overall Perception of Safety
- Why Cost Reporting Becomes a Reimbursement Tool
- Bringing QAPI Action Plans to Life Through Audits
- Update of Lessons in Supporting the Making Dialysis Safer Coalition

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

THURSDAY | 10.19 - FRIDAY | 10.20

The Conference features education for professionals involved in all aspects of ESRD patient care and dialysis facilities.

The 2017 program will feature the following topics:

- What Makes for a Great Team?
- The Power of Patients: Improving Your ICH CAHPS Score
- Trauma-Informed Care in the Dialysis Center
- When Patients Do Their Own Dialysis
- Emergency Preparedness: It's Never Too Late to Get Prepared
- CMS Updates
- News From the Legal World

DIALYSIS, NEPHROLOGIST AND FACILITY LEADER SYMPOSIUM

FRIDAY | 10.20 - SATURDAY | 10.21

The Symposium features leading nephrology and ESRD experts sharing their insight on dialysis patients. The program is designed to assist medical directors and facility leaders with fulfilling their roles and improving care delivery.

Co-presented with Renal Physicians Association

The 2017 program will feature the following topics:

- Change and Challenge in Acute Kidney Care
- Depression: Triggers, Symptoms & Interventions
- Population Health Management
- Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act of 2015 (MACRA)
- Cardio Renal Patients
- Advance Care Planning, Palliative (Supportive) Care and End-of-Life Care
- A Discussion on Staffing Ratios

**CME CREDIT WILL BE
AVAILABLE FOR THE
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NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

EXHIBITORS REPRESENT

- Healthcare/Supply Companies
- Healthcare Services
- Renal Publications
- Computer Software Companies
- Pharmaceutical Companies
- Water Treatment Companies
- Waste Management Companies
- Device Manufacturers
- Patient Groups
- Certification Providers
- Administrative & Financial Services

NRAA MEMBER MEETINGS

NRAA BUSINESS MEETING THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

All members are encouraged to attend. NRAA Directors will report on NRAA Business – membership, financials and strategic initiatives. The new NRAA Board will also be introduced and outgoing members recognized.

REGIONAL BREAKFAST MEETINGS FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

Regional Meetings are an excellent opportunity to meet in small groups about the issues facing other kidney care professionals in your region. These meetings are structured as an open discussion forum, offering an ideal place to bring questions, share ideas and brainstorm solutions with peers facing similar challenges.

EVENING SOCIAL EVENTS

NEW MEMBER/FIRST-TIME ATTENDEE RECEPTION WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

All first-time attendees and new NRAA members are invited to attend this reception. Take this opportunity to meet with NRAA Board Members and Committee Chairs to learn how to get the most out of your membership and time at the conference.

OPENING RECEPTION WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

Meet with vendors in the Exhibit Hall and mingle with industry colleagues prior to kicking off the Annual Conference.

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

All conference attendees are invited to join us in celebrating the past year in addition to NRAA's 40th anniversary with President Karen Kelley.

FRIDAY EVENING RECEPTION FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

This event serves as both the closing reception for the Annual Conference and the evening reception for the Dialysis, Nephrologist and Facility Leader Symposium. This is a unique opportunity for attendees from both events to meet and network.



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HOTEL & TRAVEL INFORMATION

MEETING LOCATION AND HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

**Hyatt Regency Austin
208 Barton Springs Road
Austin, TX 78704**

NRAA has secured a discounted rate of \$239 per night, plus applicable taxes, at the Hyatt Regency Austin for conference attendees. Attendees are responsible for making their own hotel reservations. The rate will be offered until September 30, 2017 or when the group block is sold-out, whichever comes first.

The rate will apply three days before and three days after the meeting dates, based upon availability at the time of booking. NRAA cannot guarantee rooms after this date or outside the conference dates.

GROUP RESERVATIONS

We understand that you may want to reserve multiple rooms before confirming who will attend from your company. NRAA asks that you reserve only the rooms you need and release any rooms you will not need by September 30. If you are holding more rooms than you need, the hotel will not have rooms available when other NRAA attendees call. If you release your rooms too close to the meeting date, it may be too late for other attendees and NRAA is liable if we do not meet our minimum room pick up. Please plan carefully for your attendees and reserve/hold only the rooms needed.

For Hotel Reservations:
<https://aws.passkey.com/go/NRAA2017>

TRAVEL INFORMATION

**AUSTIN-BERGSTROM
INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (AUS)
AIRPORT PHONE: (512) 530-2242**

Distance to Hyatt Regency Austin - 11 miles
Drive time from Airport to Hotel - 22 minutes
This hotel does not provide a shuttle.
Estimated minimum taxi fare: \$20 per person
Estimated minimum super shuttle: \$14 per person

For Super Shuttle reservations from Austin International Airport to the Hyatt Regency Austin, visit
<https://www.supershuttle.com/locations/austinaus/>

PARKING

Self-parking is available at the hotel for \$19 per overnight or \$24 for overnight valet parking. Also available is daily valet parking for \$15, with no in and out privileges.



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REGISTRATION

Attendance to the NRAA Annual Conference, Workshop for Dialysis Management, and Dialysis, Nephrologist and Facility Leader Symposium is open to both NRAA members and non-members.

DISCOUNT REGISTRATION RATES ARE AVAILABLE FOR

- NRAA Members
- "Early Bird" registrations (available through September 1, 2017)
- Multiple registrants from your facility/company
- Registration for multiple components Workshop, Conference, Symposium

INCLUDED IN REGISTRATION	WORKSHOP FOR DIALYSIS MANAGEMENT (WED)	ANNUAL CONFERENCE (THURS/FRI)	DIALYSIS, NEPHROLOGIST AND FACILITY LEADER SYMPOSIUM (FRI/SAT)
PARTICIPATION IN EDUCATIONAL SESSIONS	Wednesday program	Thursday and Friday Conference program	Friday and Saturday Symposium Program
CE CREDITS	X	X	X
CME CREDITS			X
ACCESS TO ALL SPEAKER SLIDES	X	X	X
ENTRANCE TO NRAA EXHIBIT HALL	Wednesday evening - Opening Reception	Wednesday evening - Opening Reception Thursday & Friday breaks and lunch	Friday - Lunch
PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION (THURSDAY)		X	
CLOSING CONFERENCE RECEPTION/SYMPOSIUM RECEPTION (FRIDAY)		X	X
MEALS	Breakfast, Lunch, Breaks & Reception - Wednesday	Reception - Wednesday Breakfast, Lunch, Breaks & Reception - Thursday & Friday	Breaks & Reception - Friday Breakfast - Saturday



Early Bird registration rates are available through September 1, 2017 and advance registration is available until October 2, 2017.

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