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Dear Colleagues:

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 33rd Annual Meeting & Educational Conference in Fabulous Las Vegas, Nevada! Once again, the Conference Planning Committee has developed an incredible educational conference for our members and guests and networking opportunities in between our presentations.

In addition, we have a unique and exciting social activity on Friday evening at the LINQ, said to be the MOST EXCITING attraction to hit the strip. Tickets are available at the registration area.

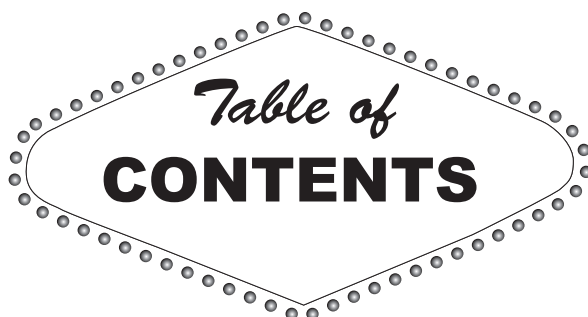
The Educational Conference will begin Thursday afternoon and will be followed by the Welcome Reception that will include the presentation of the TAANA Foundation Community Grant award and poster presentations.

On Friday our morning will begin with our keynote speaker, Robert Schwartz, Emeritus Professor of Law at the University of New Mexico School of Law. Robert will discuss legal and medical issues surrounding end of life care. Our luncheon, graciously sponsored by NSO, will include the Annual Business Meeting and presentation of TAANA awards. Friday's events will conclude with another keynote presentation by Marc Lowry of the Rothstein Law Firm when he will discuss patients rights related to medical marijuana usage. Then we'll meet in the hotel lobby for a quick walk to the LINQ.

On Saturday, our program includes an informative presentation on the much debated Affordable Care Act, a glimpse into the future on liability risks surrounding robotic surgery and a discussion about HIPAA, HITECH and the OMNIBUS RULE.

On behalf of the Board and the TAANA Foundation, I want to thank you for coming to TAANA's 33rd Annual Conference. We are so glad you have joined us and hope that you will enjoy your time in Las Vegas, make new friends, reconnect with old friends, and leave with lots of good memories, valuable information for use in your practice, and hopefully a little extra cash in your pockets.

*Sincerely,*  
*Paula Henry*  
*TAANA 2014 President*

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1999 - Sally N. Austin	<i>*deceased</i>

## **TAANA** *Vision*

Advocating excellence and creating opportunities for nurse attorneys.

## **TAANA** *Mission Statement*

The American Association of Nurse Attorneys (TAANA) provides resources, education and leadership to its members and the healthcare and legal communities.

- To promote and enhance TAANA and the profession of the nurse attorney
- To provide educational programs, products and services to members, chapters and the public
- To facilitate communication, collaboration and leadership among members
- To serve as a resource for the healthcare and legal communities

## *Awards*

The **CYNTHIA NORTHROP DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD** recognizes an individual member's leadership role in, and significant contribution to TAANA as an association. The award serves as an expression of gratitude for the member's committed leadership, participation in, and contributions to the purposes of TAANA and its growth as the professional association for nurse attorneys. The Cynthia Northrop Distinguished Service Award is named for the founder and first president of TAANA.

The **OUTSTANDING ADVOCATE AWARD** recognizes an individual member's outstanding legal advocacy. The Awards Committee recognizes that a nurse attorney can be an advocate in varied ways: impacting legislation, authoring works, achieving significant legal rulings, etc. The award is intended to give recognition to a member whose legal theories, strategies, and abilities demonstrate outstanding advocacy.

The **OUTSTANDING CHAPTER AWARD** recognizes one TAANA chapter each year that has demonstrated excellence in providing resources, education, and leadership to its members and the health care and legal communities.

The **OUTSTANDING SECTION MEMBER AWARD** recognizes one TAANA section member each year that has demonstrated excellence in providing resources, education, and leadership to the section members, the health care and legal communities, and to TAANA.

### **TAANA 2014 Awards Committee**

Karen Halpern

Marc Meyer

Kathleen Murphy Jones

Latoria Denise Wright

Rosemary McCarthy, Chair



## TAANA Foundation

TAANA Foundation is a charitable affiliated organization of TAANA and was separately incorporated in 1984 as a non-profit organization which operates exclusively for charitable, scientific, literary or educational purposes and provides financial support in the furtherance of charitable purposes.

### *Silent Auction*

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Since 1991 TAANA Foundation has held a Silent Auction at the TAANA Annual Educational Conference as a fundraiser in support of the Foundation's purposes.

### *Community Grant*

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Since 2004 TAANA Foundation has chosen a community service agency in the locality of the annual conference as recipient of a grant in recognition of services provided to vulnerable populations in that area. The 2014 recipient of the Community Grant is The Shade Tree which provides safe shelter to homeless and abused women and children in crisis and offers life-changing services promoting stability, dignity and self-reliance.

### *Mary Eleanor McGarvah Award*

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The Foundation established a humanitarian award in honor of Mary Eleanor McGarvah, the first nurse attorney. The award is granted to an individual or group that has made a significant contribution to the development of health law, nursing and policy. Naming the award in honor of Mary Eleanor McGarvah is in recognition of her contribution to the public's health and to society in her role as attorney and public health nurse.

The 2014 recipient of the Community Grant is *Teri Mills MS, CNE, RN* who leads the National Nursing Network Organization which advocates for the establishment of the National Nurse for Public Health.

### *Cynthia Ellen Northrop New Advocate Award*

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The Foundation established this award to give student and new graduate TAANA members an opportunity to attend the TAANA Annual Educational Conference.

### *TAANA Foundation Trustees*

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## **AGENDA**

### **TAANA Annual Business Meeting**

Friday, October 10, 2014, 12:00noon – 1:30pm

Westin Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Approval of Agenda**
- III. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes**
- IV. Officers Reports**
  - a. President
  - b. President Elect
  - c. Corresponding Secretary
  - d. Recording Secretary
  - f. Treasurer
- V. Committee Reports**
  - a. Archives
  - b. Conference Planning
  - c. Nominations and Elections
- VI. Section Reports**
  - a. Chapter Presidents Council
  - b. Education
  - c. Health Law and Compliance
  - d. Legal Nurse Consulting
  - e. Litigation
  - f. Student and New Graduate
- VII. TAANA Foundation**
- VIII. New/Other Business**
- IX. Awards Ceremony**
- X. Adjournment**



## **Annual Business Meeting & Awards Ceremony Minutes**

**Friday, October 11, 2013, 12:00 am – 1:30 pm**

**Hyatt Regency Hotel, Savannah, Georgia**

- I. Call to Order** - by K. Jones at 12noon. Quorum of 5% of TAANA membership was present.
- II. Approval of Agenda** - Motion to approve the agenda, Taralynn Mackay, second by Teresa Sanzio. Motion passed.
- III. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes** - See IV: D
- IV. Officers Reports**
  - A. President's Report: Kathleen Murphy Jones
    - 1. Thank you to the attendees, committee and staff.
    - 2. Recap of recent bylaws change vote. The new bylaws are online at <http://www.taana.org/Resources/Documents/bylaws.pdf>.
  - B. President-Elect's Report: Paula Henry
    - 1. Annual Conference – thank you to each member of the committee and all the attendees.
    - 2. The 2014 Annual Conference will be in Las Vegas, Nevada.
  - C. Corresponding Secretary's Report: Jonathan Stewart
    - 1. E-news is sent out by email to all active members
    - 2. Recap of List serve.
  - D. Recording Secretary's Report: Melanie Balestra
    - Motion to approve prior meeting minutes, JoAnn Pietro, second by Jonathan Stewart. Motion passed.
  - E. Treasurer's Report: Teresa Sanzio - Overview of 2013 Fiscal Year.
- V. Committee Reports**
  - A. Archives: Trudy Kiaunis
    - 1. Will accept any memoribilla for submission to the archives.
  - B. Chapter Presidents' Council: Taralynn Mackay
  - C. Conference Planning: Paula Henry. See IV: B above.
  - D. Nominations & Elections: Paula Henry. The slate of candidates was presented to the membership and those eligible submitted their votes. The candidates were: Paula Henry, Felizia Stokes, Carolyn Dolan (later it was determined that one additional member was needed and Alice Dupler was appointed to fill the final spot).
- VI. TAANA Foundation Report: Trudy Kiaunis**
- VII. Awards Ceremony:** Rosemary McCarthy, Awards Chair For the TAANA Foundation report and the Awards Ceremony see the TAANA Foundation and Awards section (Table of contents) from the 2013 program, <http://www.taana.org/resources/conf2013/program.pdf>.
- VIII. New/Other Business**
- IX. Adjournment**

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## **CONTACT *Hours***

### **Nursing and Legal Education Contact Hours**

Nursing Continuing Education (CE) and Continuing Legal Education (CLE) contact hours certificates will be provided at the conclusion of the conference. e.

### **Nursing Credits**

This continuing nursing education activity has been approved through Melanie L. Balestra, NP, Esq, Cummins & White, LLP, California Board of Registered Nursing Continuing Education Provider.

### **Continuing Legal Education Credits**

Please submit your attendance certificate to your local state bar for consideration of legal education credits. The conference has been approved for the following:

- Conference: 13 CLE's of which there are 4 hours of ethics. See *TAANA NURSING AND CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS FORM* below.
- Post-Conference Seminar: 4 CLE's of which there is 1 hour of ethics credit

### **Conference Purpose**

The purpose of this program is to enhance the skills and knowledge of the health law professionals in the management of, counseling about, and litigation of topics including but not limited to health care regulatory compliance; e-discovery; the criminalization of malpractice; professional liability policies; recovery of damages in medical malpractice cases; advance practice nursing; medical professionals in the courtroom; advocating health care justice; legal issues of prescribing controlled substances for advance practice nurses; intentional violations of professional practice and its implications; the thin line between nursing and practicing medicine; strategies for preventing lawsuits; and dealing with traumatic medical error.

### **Registration Desk Hours**

The registration desk will be open in Mesquite 1 during the following hours for your questions.

**Thursday, October 9, 2014**

12noon to 5pm

*(closed 1 hour at 12noon for lunch)*

**Friday, October 10, 2014**

8am to 4:30pm

*(closed 12noon to 1:30pm for lunch)*

**Saturday, October 11, 2014**

8am to 12noon

## **TAANA** *Schedule of Events*

### **Thursday, October 9, 2014**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Event</b>
8:00am - 12noon		TAANA Board of Directors Meeting
12noon - 5:00pm	Mesquite 1-3	Registration Open
12noon - 2:00pm	Mesquite 1-3	Exhibit, Poster & Silent Auction Setup
1:15pm - 2:15pm	Mesquite 4-5	Promoting Clinician Resilience: Ensuring Effective Support after Adverse Events
2:15pm - 3:15pm	Mesquite 4-5	The Federal Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act: A Prescription for a Culture of Safety.
3:15pm - 3:30pm	Mesquite 1-3	Break & Silent Auction Opens
3:30pm - 4:30pm	Mesquite 4-5	License Protection Defense Claims in the NSO and HPSO Programs for Both Severity and Frequency
4:45pm - 5:15pm	Presidents Suite	Past President's Reception
5:30pm - 7pm	Mesquite 1-3	Welcome Reception, TAANAF Awards and Poster Sessions:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The InterProfessional Pediatric Advocacy Program (IPAP)</li> <li>• Career Paths for Nurse Attorneys</li> </ul>
7:00pm	Dinner (On your own)	

### **Friday, October 10, 2014**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Event</b>
7:30am - 8:30am	Mesquite 1-3	Chapter President's Breakfast & Meet the Board of Directors
7:30am - 8:30am	Mesquite 1-3	Exhibits & Silent Auction
8am – 5pm	Mesquite foyer	Registration
8:30am	Mesquite 4-5	Opening Announcements & Updates
8:30am - 9:45am	Mesquite 4-5	New Directions in End of Life Care: Is Aid in Dying a Medical Issue or a Legal Issue?



## Friday, October 10, 2014

Time	Location	Event
9:45am - 10am	Mesquite 1-3	Break
10am - 11am	Mesquite 4-5	Legal Issues Keeping Nurses Awake at Night: How, What and When to Advise Them
11am - 12noon	Mesquite 4-5	Safe Staffing in a Just Culture: Really???
12noon - 1:30pm	Mesquite 1-3	Annual Business Meeting Lunch and Awards
1:30pm - 2:30pm	Mesquite 4-5	Cross Examination of Physicians and Nurses at Trial
2:30pm - 3:30pm	Mesquite 4-5	Reel in Regulatory Risk: Avoid a Government Catch
3:30pm - 3:45pm	Mesquite 1-3	Break
3:45pm - 4:45pm	Mesquite 4-5	Beyond OSHA: Legal and Ethical Issues Related to Bullying in the Nursing Profession
4:45pm - 6pm	Mesquite 4-5	Through Scrooge's Eyes: The Past, Present, and Future of Medical Cannabis Programs and Patient Rights
6:30pm	Meet in Hotel Lobby	

### *Taana Special Event - The LINQ*

Shining bright on the Las Vegas Strip, the 550-foot-tall High Roller is the world's largest observation wheel. The High Roller has 28 spherical, Italian-handcrafted glass-enclosed cabins, each weighing 44,000 pounds. Passengers can enjoy breathtaking Las Vegas views in a 30-minute ride, the time it takes for the entire wheel to rotate. Additionally, each air-conditioned cabin is equipped with two benches for seating.

**Saturday, October 11, 2014**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Event</b>
7:30am - 8:30am	Mesquite 1-3	Continental Breakfast & Sections Meetings
8:00am - 12noon	Mesquite foyer	Registration Open
8:00am - 12noon	Mesquite 1-3	Exhibits & Silent Auction
8:30am - 9:30am	Mesquite 4-5	Opportunities and Consequences of the Affordable Care Act for Healthcare Litigators
9:30am - 9:45am	Mesquite 1-3	Break & Silent Auction Closes
9:45am - 10:45am	Mesquite 4-5	Robotic Surgery Liability Risks
10:45am - 11:45am	Mesquite 4-5	Do You Know When a HIPAA Business Associate Agreement is Required? HIPAA, HITECH & the OMNIBUS RULE: What Non-Health Lawyers Need to Know for Their Clients and Themselves to Comply with the Law
11:45am	Mesquite 4-5	Silent Auction Winners Announced
11:45am - 12noon	Mesquite 4-5	Closing Ceremony

## Schedule of *Presentations*

### Thursday, October 9, 2014

1:15pm - 2:15pm

#### **Promoting Clinician Resilience:**

#### **Ensuring Effective Support after Adverse Events**

*Patricia McCotter, RN, JD, CPHRM, CPC,*

*Physicians Insurance A Mutual Company, Seattle, Washington*

**CLE's:** 1 hour

Objectives:

1. Describe the second victim phenomenon and 6-stage trajectory of recovery from the impact of involvement in an adverse event.
2. Describe the correlation between provider distress and burnout and medical errors.
3. Identify coping techniques and support programs to assist health care providers.

2:15pm - 3:15pm

#### **The Federal Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act:**

#### **A Prescription for a Culture of Safety**

*Ronnie McKinnon, RN, JD, CPHRM, CPSO, CPPS, TeamSTEPPS® Master Trainer, Stony Brook University Health Sciences Center, Stony Brook, New York*

**CLE's:** 1 hour

Objectives:

1. Identify two reasons why health care providers are afraid to report medical errors.
2. Describe two reasons why state based quality assurance privilege laws do not provide adequate legal privilege protection to health care providers.
3. Describe two provisions of The Federal Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act that foster the reporting of errors within the Federal Quality Assurance Peer Review Privilege and Confidentiality Statute.

### **3:15pm - 3:30pm break & Silent Auction Opens**

3:30pm - 4:30pm

#### **License Protection Defense Claims in the NSO and**

#### **HPSO Programs for both Severity and Frequency**

*Loretta D'Antonio, Nurses Service Organization, Hatboro, Pennsylvania*

**CLE's:** 1 hour

Objectives:

1. Discuss claim metrics for the Allied program.
2. Create awareness of allegations, expense payments for paid claims and factors that may contribute to claims.
3. Provide risk management recommendations to support managing professional liability risks.

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**5:30pm - 7pm Welcome Reception, TAANAF Awards and Poster Sessions:**

**The InterProfessional Pediatric Advocacy Program (IPAP)**

*Natalie Bachynsky, MSN, RN, CNE,  
UTMB Health School of Nursing, Galveston, Texas  
Mary O'Keefe, PhD, JD, RN,  
UTMB Health School of Nursing, Galveston, Texas*

**Poster Objectives:**

1. Discuss the development of IPAP.
2. Discuss the implementation of the IPAP.
3. Analyze the evaluation of the IPAP.

**Career Paths for Nurse Attorneys**

*Jonathan Stewart, JD, MS, RN,  
Veterans Health Administration, Vancouver, Washington*

**Poster Objectives:**

1. Nurse attorneys are found in a wide variety of professional roles. This poster will present aggregated, de-identified TAANA membership data, selected demographic data, and profile of nurse attorneys in representative roles.

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**Friday, October 10, 2014**

8:30am - 9:45am

**Opening Keynote**

**New Directions in End of Life Care:**

**Is Aid in Dying a Medical Issue or a Legal Issue?**

*Robert L. Schwartz, JD, BA, Emeritus Professor of Law,  
University of New Mexico School of Law, Albuquerque, New Mexico*

**CLE's: 1 ethics**

**Objectives:**

1. Understand current developments around end of life legislation in the United States.
2. Apply the complicated and uncertain law of end of life care.
3. Recognizing the value of treating end of life care as an issue to be governed by the medical standard of care rather than by law.

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10:00am - 11:00am

**Legal Issues Keeping Nurses Awake at Night:**

**How, What and When to Advise Them**

*Carolyn Buppert, RN, JD, Law Office of Carolyn Buppert, P.C., Boulder, Colorado*

**CLE's: 1 hour**

**Objectives:**

1. Discuss legal dilemmas nurses face.
2. Analyze attorney's response to the client.
3. Differentiate among the cases to determine how the attorney can be effective.

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11:00am - 12noon

**Safe Staffing in a Just Culture: Really???**

*Alice Dupler, JD, APRN-BC,*

*Gonzaga University School of Nursing & Human Physiology; WSU*

*College of Nursing, Valley, Washington*

**CLE's:** 1 hour

Objectives:

1. Describe the laws governing safe staffing in the United States.
2. Compare nurse sensitive outcome measures associated with safe staffing.
3. Determine how staff staffing is measured by intensity and acuity of care.
4. Analyze how staffing affects negative client outcomes resulting in malpractice and professional licensure claims.
5. Develop professional licensure and practice strategies to prevent litigation due to unsafe staffing in a just culture setting.

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**12noon - 1:30pm Annual Business Meeting & Awards Luncheon**

1:30pm - 2:30pm

**Cross Examination of Physicians and Nurses at Trial**

*Kathleen Kettles, BSN, JD, Wingate Russotti Shapiro & Halperin, LLP,*

*New York City, New York*

**CLE's:** 1 hour

Objectives:

Identify materials necessary for the preparation of cross.

1. Conduct online research of the MD/RN/PA/NP.
2. Identify how to obtain prior transcripts.
3. Identify how to utilize medical records/electronic medical records, including HER, for preparation of questions for cross.
4. Discuss the handling of objections.

2:30pm - 3:30pm

**Reel in Regulatory Risk: Avoid a Government Catch**

*Kathleen Hessler, RN, JD, Simone Healthcare Consultants,*

*Albuquerque, New Mexico*

**CLE's:** 1 ethics

Objectives:

1. Identify statutes, regulations and recent actions that highlight the government's fight against healthcare fraud and abuse.
2. State several practice tips for developing and maintaining a sound ethics and compliance program.
3. Name two lessons learned from a Corporate Integrity Agreement (CIA).

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3:45pm - 4:45pm

**Beyond OSHA: Legal and Ethical Issues Related to Bullying in the Nursing Profession**

*Susan Matt, PhD, JD, MN, RN, CNE, Seattle University, Seattle, Washington*

**CLE's:** 1 ethics

Objectives:

1. Describe at least two laws applicable to bullying in the workplace.
1. Apply bioethical principles to bullying behaviors in the workplace.
1. Describe sections of the ICN Code of Ethics for Nurses applicable to bullying in the workplace.
1. Describe the sections of the ANA Code of Ethics for Nurses applicable to bullying in the profession.

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4:45pm - 6pm

**Evening Keynote**

**Through Scrooge's Eyes: The Past, Present, and Future of Medical Cannabis Programs and Patient Rights**

*Marc M. Lowry, JD, MS, the Rothstein Law Firm, Albuquerque, New Mexico*

**CLE's:** 1 ethics

Objectives:

1. Provide a summary of the medical cannabis movement, addressing the patient centered approach of such programs.
2. Provide an understanding of the relationship between federal and state laws governing the use of medical cannabis, including the limitations of the reach of each jurisdiction and discuss the rights of States to experiment in this area.
3. Outline the rights of patients who use medical cannabis, including: (1) legal issues regarding the transport of medical cannabis across state lines; (2) how an employee's home use impacts an employer's right to terminate employment; (3) rules on workers' compensation involving medical cannabis; and (4) insurance coverage.



## **Saturday, October 11, 2014**

8:30am - 9:30am

### **Opportunities and Consequences of the Affordable Care Act for Healthcare Litigators**

*Neil Ekblom, JD, LeClairRyan, New York City, New York*

**CLE's:** 1 hour

Objectives:

1. Understand the overall structure of the ACA.
2. Have a working knowledge of the provisions in Title I that enforce the employer mandate.
3. Have a working knowledge of provisions in Title III that will change reimbursement and potentially impact the quality of care.
4. Have a working knowledge of whistleblower provisions in the ACA.
5. Have a working knowledge of changes to Fraud and Abuse and Transparency and Program Integrity Provisions.

9:45am - 10:45am

### **Robotic Surgery Liability Risks**

*Laura Nordberg, RN, JD, MBA, CPHRM, CHSP, AHRMQR, Trinity Health,  
Livonia, Michigan*

**CLE's:** 1 hour

Objectives:

1. Describe the robotic surgery claims data trends evident from legacy Trinity Health data.
2. Identify the basic equipment used during robotic surgery and how it works.
3. Describe how to build a successful robotic surgery program.
4. Describe how to manage liability risks inherent within a hospital's robotic surgery program.

10:45am - 11:45am

### **"Do You Know When a HIPAA Business Associate Agreement is Required? HIPAA, HITECH & the OMNIBUS RULE: What Non-Health Lawyers Need to Know for Their Clients and Themselves to Comply with the Law"**

*Randi Kopf, RN, MS, JD, Kopf HealthLaw, LLC, Rockville, Maryland  
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Baltimore, Maryland*

**CLE's:** 1 hour

Objectives:

1. Recognize that HIPAA, the HITECH Act and the amendments in the 2013 OMNIBUS Rule may apply to client matters and the attorney.
2. Identify key aspects of the amendments to HIPAA and the HITECH Act in the 2013 OMNIBUS Rule that can apply to clients and the attorney.
3. Determine practice actions required to be compliant with the laws and regulations.

## *Conference* **FACULTY**

### **Natalie Bachynsky, MSN, RN, CNE, UTMB Health School of Nursing, Galveston, Texas**

Natalie Bachynsky has been a registered nurse since 1998 when she received her BSN from the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston. After practicing in the inpatient and community maternal-child health arena, Mrs. Bachynsky obtained her MSN from UTMB in 2008. She is currently enrolled in the PhD in Nursing Science program at Texas Woman's University. Mrs. Bachynsky is committed to providing an atmosphere that promotes experiential learning and exposes students to the diverse role of nurses for children and childbearing families. In an effort to integrate service-learning and improve health outcomes for children, Mrs. Bachynsky developed the HRSA funded "Interprofessional Pediatric Advocacy Program" (I-PAP) to provide collaborative care to children & families in the home environment with Child Protective Services. In addition to her nurse educator role, Mrs. Bachynsky enjoys running and traveling with her husband and two school-age children.

### **Carolyn Buppert, RN, JD, Law Office of Carolyn Buppert, P.C., Boulder, Colorado**

Carolyn Buppert (Law Office of Carolyn Buppert, P.C., Boulder, CO) specializes in the legal issues affecting medical practices, nurses and nurse practitioners. Her clients include hospitals, practices, individual practitioners, visiting nurse agencies, nursing homes, hospices, schools of nursing and a certification organization. She is a frequent contributor to The Journal for Nurse Practitioners. Her articles appear on Medscape.com, and she is on Medscape's nursing editorial board. She lectures extensively on avoiding malpractice, legal issues regarding scope of practice, prescribing and reimbursement, and negotiating terms of employment. She is the author of 8 books and 3 instructional CDs. Ms. Buppert earned a JD from the University of Baltimore, cum laude, where she was on Law Review, MS in nursing from the University of California, San Francisco, BS in journalism from the University of Maryland and BSN from the Oregon Health Sciences University. She is admitted to the Bar in Maryland and Colorado.

### **Loretta D'Antonio, Nurses Service Organization, Hatboro, Pennsylvania**

Loretta D'Antonio is the Vice President in Aon Affinity's Healthcare Division. Loretta has supported the professional liability program for 19 years. Loretta has primary accountability for Customer Retention programs for both Nursing and Allied Health professionals totaling more than 1 million customers. Loretta is a licensed P&C and LAH agent. She earned an MBA from St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia, PA with her undergraduate from Rosemont College. She has served as an adjunct faculty member for two local universities in their business administration and health services administration programs.

### **Alice Dupler, JD, APRN-BC, Gonzaga University School of Nursing & Human Physiology; WSU College of Nursing, Valley, Washington**

Alice E. Dupler, JD, APRN-BC is an Adult Nurse Practitioner, Nurse Lawyer and Associate Professor at Gonzaga University School of Nursing and Human Physiology and Washington State University College of Nursing. With more than 35

years as an NP investigator, administrator, lawyer, researcher and educator, Dr. Dupler has advocated for vulnerable clients and the nurses who serve them. She is an exceptional scholar who has been acknowledged nationally for her excellence in teaching, research and leadership. She was recently awarded the Sigma Theta Tau Honorary Society of Nursing International Award for Nursing Excellence in Utilization of Research in 2013 for her work with older adults and nurses caring for them in skilled nursing facilities in the United States. Most recently, Dr. Dupler has been published in the Journal of Nursing Administration and Workplace Health and Safety.

**Neil Ekblom, JD, LeClairRyan, New York City, New York**

Mr. Neil Harkin Ekblom is an "AV" rated healthcare litigation attorney. He provides solutions to a variety of business and healthcare entities, including hospitals and physician practices, in transactional, regulatory and litigation matters. Mr. Ekblom assists hospital in-house counsel, physician practices and healthcare entities by drafting legally compliant documents in a variety of healthcare related transactions. An accomplished trial lawyer, he litigates to enforce contracts in state and federal courts and arbitrations. Mr. Ekblom also represents ophthalmologists and their practices in business and professional liability litigation. He has 47 defense verdicts and 5 trial dismissals in these cases. Mr. Ekblom has lectured to healthcare-related businesses and insurance companies on litigation avoidance and risk management. He has spoken on federal and state fraud and abuse laws as well as employer responsibilities under the Affordable Care Act. Mr. Ekblom, his wife Frances, and their two children, Neil, Jr. and Margaret, reside in Bergen County, New Jersey and volunteer in educational and hospital related activities in New York and New Jersey.

**Kathleen Hessler, RN, JD, Simone Healthcare Consultants, Albuquerque, New Mexico**

Ms. Hessler is Director of Compliance & Risk for Simone Healthcare Consultants. She provides consulting services to home health, hospice and long term care entities. These services include but are not limited to compliance and risk assessments, auditing functions and compliance program development. Prior to joining Simone in 2013, Ms. Hessler practiced healthcare law for nearly 20 years providing legal services to post-acute and long term care entities and defending nursing and other provider licenses. She served as in-house counsel to several national long term care providers prior to opening her own firm. From 2010-2012, she served as Director of Risk Management for CHRISTUS St. Vincent Regional Medical Center in Santa Fe, NM. Ms. Hessler has two certificates in Healthcare Ethics and has sat on hospital and post-acute care ethics committees for many years. She provides continuing education programs to nurses, physicians and other healthcare professionals, including health care lawyers. Education programs include but are not limited to Risk Reduction with Reason, Consent and Capacity, Documentation Defensibility, Bioethics, Anatomy of a Lawsuit, Legal and Ethical Issues in Long-term Care, and Mandatory Compliance Measures: Assess Your Risk. She has written articles for American Health Lawyers Association publications as well as other articles on health care issues for local news magazines.

**Kathleen Kettles, BSN, JD, Wingate Russotti Shapiro & Halperin, LLP, New York City, New York**

Kathy is a former registered professional nurse who has obtained millions of dollars in verdicts and settlements for clients including representing the estate of the artist Andy Warhol where she prosecuted the hospital and nurses who attended him. Until 2005, she was a partner and head of the Medical Malpractice and Drug Liability litigation at Wingate, Russotti Shapiro & Halperin, LLP in New York City. During her tenure, the firm became extremely successful in the prosecution of complex cases and settling or winning verdicts because of the high level of attention to detail in all phases of the litigation. Today, Kathy provides both consulting services and continues to prosecute some of the most difficult medical and drug cases the firm handles. Over her 27 years of experience in these specialties, the practice has become very sophisticated and requires the ability to understand the medical issues and complex causation problems which a case can encompass. Because of her expertise, she can engage defendant health care providers and experts at their level of expertise during deposition and trial. She produced and co-lectured a course on the Legal Implications of Nursing Practice in New York under the auspices of Lorman Educational Services and has lectured to dental students at Columbia University on dental malpractice and at Fordham University School of Law on the use of demonstrative evidence medical malpractice trials. Kathy strongly believes that the provision of advocacy on the behalf of patients is an aspect of the "care" principle originally learned in nursing school.

**Randi Kopf, RN, MS, JD, Kopf HealthLaw, LLC, Rockville, Maryland**

Randi Kopf, Principal attorney of Kopf HealthLaw, LLC, [www.KopfHealthLaw.com](http://www.KopfHealthLaw.com), a corporate, regulatory and eHealth practice. Ms. Kopf is a nationally recognized and sought after speaker for professional organizations in healthcare law, corporate matters, managed care, HIPAA, EHR and HIT matters, professional and regulatory matters including the Affordable Care Act, HIPAA, HITECH Act, Stark, Medicare and health insurance. She provides general and health law counsel to physicians, nurses, allied health practitioners and health associations locally and nationally. During Ms. Kopf's 30 plus years of professional experience, she has held faculty and instructor positions at Georgetown, the University of Maryland and Adelphi University, authored several books and multiple articles and continues to hold leadership positions in Bar and professional associations. She is an editorial contributor to the AHLA Health Law Academic Curriculum project, serves on the Maryland Attorney Grievance Commission Peer Review Panel and participated with Maryland's Health Care Commission's EDI/HIPAA Task Force. She served as Chair for the Health Law Section of the Montgomery County Bar Association. Ms. Kopf received the Cornell University Alumni Award for Outstanding Volunteerism, the National Distinguished Service Award in Nursing and was voted by her peers as a "Super Lawyer" for Maryland and DC in 2007-10. Randi Kopf has been awarded by TAANA the 2007 Outstanding Health Law, Legislative & Compliance Section Member Award, 2004 & 2011 Cynthia Northrop Distinguished Service Award, was a former editor and author for the Journal of Nursing Law, currently serves as Treasurer and Trustee for the TAANA Foundation, President of the Chesapeake Nurse Attorneys, Inc. Her credentials include University of Maryland, J.D., State University of New York, M.S., Cornell University, B.S. and formerly was a Board certified Family Nurse Practitioner. She is admitted to practice in MD, DC and the Supreme Court of the United States.

**Marc M. Lowry, JD, MS, the Rothstein Law Firm, Albuquerque, New Mexico**

Marc Lowry is a partner with the law firm of Rothstein, Donatelli, Hughes, Dahlstrom, Schoenburg & Bienvenue LLP in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Mr. Lowry's legal practice focuses on constitutional rights of his clients, and encompasses the representation of individuals and entities in the areas of civil rights and criminal law. His legal practice includes litigation within federal, state, and tribal courts, in addition to regulatory agencies. During his legal career, Mr. Lowry has advised a state health agency, medical cannabis producers, patient advocate groups, as well as physicians on the legal contours of regulating, prescribing, and using medical cannabis. Throughout his legal career, Mr. Lowry has presented continuing education courses for criminal defense attorneys and law enforcement officers on ethics, and the impact of constitutional standards on their work.

**Rose Matricciani, RN, BS, JD, Whiteford, Taylor & Preston, LLP, Baltimore, Maryland**

Rose Matricciani is a Partner with the law firm of Whiteford, Taylor & Preston L.L.P. [www.wtplaw.com](http://www.wtplaw.com), practicing in the areas of healthcare and corporate law. She has written numerous health law articles, co-authored a JAMA article, contributed to nursing publications and is a sought-after speaker for both national and state conferences and presentations on health law topics. Ms. Matricciani is Chair of WTP's health law practice, Co-Chair of WTP's CCRC Industry Group, past Chair of Health Law Section of Maryland State Bar, AV Rated by Martindale Hubbell, recognized by Best Lawyers in America, Chambers and Maryland Super Lawyers, and serves on the Maryland Grievance Commission's Peer Review Panel. Ms. Matricciani concentrates in issues pertaining to: physician practices, healthcare professionals' licensure issues, regulatory matters (including, but not limited to, Medicare, Medicaid, Stark, HIPAA), hospital and facility regulatory issues, Continuing Care Retirement Communities, allied health matters, compliance, the impact of federal and state legislation on health care practices including fraud and abuse issues, qui tam actions and exclusions. Ms. Matricciani is a member of TAANA and Chesapeake Nurse Attorneys and a past Board member and officer of CNA. She is a member of the American Bar Association, the American Health Lawyers Association, Maryland State Bar Association, Baltimore County Bar Association, and Baltimore City Bar Association. Her awards include: Governor's Citation, Maryland; DHMH Certificate of Appreciation; Regional Administrator's Award, Health Care Financing Administration (currently CMS); and the House of Ruth award. She is admitted to practice in Maryland and the United States Supreme Court. Her credentials include AA in Nursing, Essex Community College, Loyola College BA, and University of Maryland School of Law JD.

**Susan Matt, PhD, JD, MN, RN, CNE, Seattle University, Seattle, Washington**

Dr. Matt is an associate professor and chair of the adult health department at the Seattle University College of Nursing. She teaches Introduction to Professional Nursing in the 21st Century, Ethical Considerations and Health Policy, and an inquiry seminar in social sciences entitled "Disabled: What's in a Name?" Her legal experience includes medical malpractice defense, guardianship, and disability law. Dr. Matt's research interests include attitudes toward individuals with disabilities, particularly in the nursing profession, but also in developing countries; bullying in the nursing profession; and student bullying of faculty in nursing programs, the topic of her current research.

**Patricia McCotter, RN, JD, CPHRM, CPC, Physicians Insurance A Mutual Company, Seattle, Washington**

Pat McCotter has over 35 years' experience as a nurse, medical malpractice defense attorney, hospital risk manager, in-house counsel, teacher, certified professional coach, and risk consultant. She graduated from the University of Washington School of Nursing and Seattle University School of Law. She has experience in ICU, medical-surgical, oncology, and psychiatric nursing. As an attorney, she defended medical malpractice lawsuits against physicians, nurses, and hospitals; coordinated complex medical staff professional review actions; and worked with medical staff leaders, residents, and health system leaders. Currently, she is Director, Patient Safety Innovation and Provider Support, at Physicians Insurance A Mutual Company in Seattle and teaches and consults with clinicians on a wide range of health care risk management issues. She is particularly interested in disclosure and apology as well as clinician wellness issues. Her personal interests include world travel, downhill skiing, birding, photography, and power walking. She lives in Federal Way, WA, with her husband, Gary Trantham, a physician, and has two grown children, Maureen and David.

**Ronnie McKinnon, RN, JD, CPHRM, CPSO, CPPS, TeamSTEPPS® Master Trainer, Stony Brook University Health Sciences Center, Stony Brook, New York**

Prior to attending law school, Ronnie McKinnon worked as a Registered Nurse in the Neonatal ICU at an academic medical center. While working full time, she attended law school where she was recipient of two AmJur awards and graduated as Valedictorian from her law school class. After graduation from law school, she worked initially as an Associate Counsel, but was soon thereafter promoted to Senior Associate Counsel at a Medical Malpractice defense law firm and supervised junior attorneys and law interns. Currently she is Hospital Counsel for Patient Safety, Clinical and Regulatory Affairs at Stony Brook University Medical Center. She has had numerous abstracts accepted for presentation at National and International Patient Safety, Health Law and Health Care Risk Management Professional Organizations, including National Patient Safety Foundation, Canadian Patient Safety Institute, University Health System Consortium, The American Association of Nurse Attorneys and The Irish and American Pediatric Society. Ronnie is a Certified Professional in HealthCare Risk Management, a Certified Patient Safety Officer, a Certified Professional in Patient Safety and a Certified TeamSTEPPS® Master Trainer. She is an active committee member in the American Society for HealthCare Risk Management and currently serves as a Member of the Editorial Board for the Journal of Healthcare Risk Management.

**Laura Nordberg, RN, JD, MBA, CPHRM, CHSP, AHRMQR, Trinity Health, Livonia, Michigan**

Laura has been affiliated with CHE Trinity Health for 17 years. Laura completed her BSN at Oakland University, and served as a nurse in the acute renal, medical/surgical, high-risk OB, surgery, critical care and ambulatory care settings. Laura graduated from Wayne State University with a Juris Doctor and practiced law in southeastern Michigan. She received her MBA from Michigan State University. As a nurse, malpractice defense attorney, professional liability claims manager and currently serving as a Clinical Loss Control Director, Laura has experience with identifying issues and solutions pertinent to risk management, patient safety and quality of care.



**Mary O'Keefe, PhD, JD, RN, UTMB Health School of Nursing,  
Galveston, Texas**

Dr. O'Keefe is a lawyer (JD) who is also a registered nurse (RN) with a doctor of philosophy (PhD) in nursing and a licensed professional counselor (LPC). She uniquely combines her licenses as a registered nurse, lawyer and licensed professional counselor to provide arbitration, mediation and consultation as a nurse-attorney to focus on therapeutic jurisprudence. Through therapeutic jurisprudence, the focus is placed on the emotional and psychiatric impact of the legal process and development of a mutually satisfactory, cooperative resolution of any legal dispute for the benefit of all parties. Dr. O'Keefe also has a certification as a Clinical Nurse Specialist in Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing. Dr. O'Keefe combines her extensive experience in nursing, psychiatry, medicine and law to provide expert consultation in civil and personal injury litigation; for example, health care issues involved in medical malpractice, personal injury, toxic exposure, worker's compensation, wrongful death and insurance defense. She also provides consultation on psychiatric issues; for example, related to civil rights litigation, such as sexual harassment; wrongful discharge; revocation of licensure and resulting damages. Dr. O'Keefe also has extensive training in alternate dispute resolution, including arbitration and mediation.

**Robert L. Schwartz, JD, BA, Emeritus Professor of Law, University of New Mexico School of Law, Albuquerque, New Mexico**

Shortly after joining the UNM law faculty in 1976, Rob Schwartz began to focus his research and teaching in the emerging field of Health Law. He has gone on to become a nationally recognized scholar in the area of Bioethics and brings this expertise to his classes at the law and medical schools at the University of New Mexico, and the UC Hastings College of the Law, where he is teaching this semester. Schwartz is one of five authors of "Health Law: Cases, Materials and Problems," the first textbook that treated Health Law as a subject when it was first published in 1987. Now in its seventh edition, it remains the leading Health Law casebook. He contributed chapters that address Bioethics. Most recently, his writing is in the areas of end-of-life care, death and dying, managed care and the application of civil liberties principles to the health care enterprise. Schwartz serves on the editorial boards of the "Cambridge Quarterly of Healthcare Ethics," "Journal of Contemporary Health Law and Policy" and the "Medical Law Review." Through the World Health Organization, he has worked as a consultant on health legislation in Cambodia, Tonga and Vietnam, and he was the first Chair of New Mexico's Health Policy Commission.

**Jonathan Stewart, JD, MS, RN, Veterans Health Administration,  
Vancouver, Washington**

Jonathan D. Stewart, JD, MS, RN, CPPS, CPHRM is a TAANA director and board liaison to its Student & New Graduate committee. He is currently the Patient Safety Officer for the Veterans Health Administration's Pacific Northwest Network with oversight of eight healthcare systems across Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and Alaska. Jonathan lives in Vancouver, Washington with his wife and daughter.



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I certify that I attended the sessions I have evaluated. I will receive continuing education credit for only those sessions.

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<i>Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements.</i>					
	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
In general, I was very happy with the TAANA conference.					
The format allowed me more focused access to topics of interest to me.					
The topics met my professional needs.					
<i>Please indicate your level of satisfaction with the following social events</i>					
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Thursday afternoon break					
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Friday morning breakfast					
Friday morning break					
Friday luncheon					
Friday afternoon break					
Friday evening The LINQ					
Saturday morning breakfast					
Saturday morning break					

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Promoting Clinician Resilience: Ensuring Effective Support after Adverse Events MCCOTTER						
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The InterProfessional Pediatric Advocacy Program (IPAP) BACHYNSKY						
Career Paths for Nurse Attorneys STEWART						
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What did you like most about the conference?

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What can we do better next time?

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What topics of interest or speakers would you like to suggest?

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Any additional suggestions you have

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Program: **33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference**

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Location: **Las Vegas, Nevada**

Dates: **October 9-11, 2014**

<i>Attendee Copy</i> Retain this sheet for your records <b>Thursday, October 9, 2014</b>		Attended (yes/no)	Nursing Contact Hours	CLE Hours
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Reminder: Introductory remarks, business meetings, breaks, receptions, etc. may not to be included in the computation of credit.

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By signing below, I certify that I attended the activity described above and am entitled to Claim \_\_\_\_\_ CLE credit hours.

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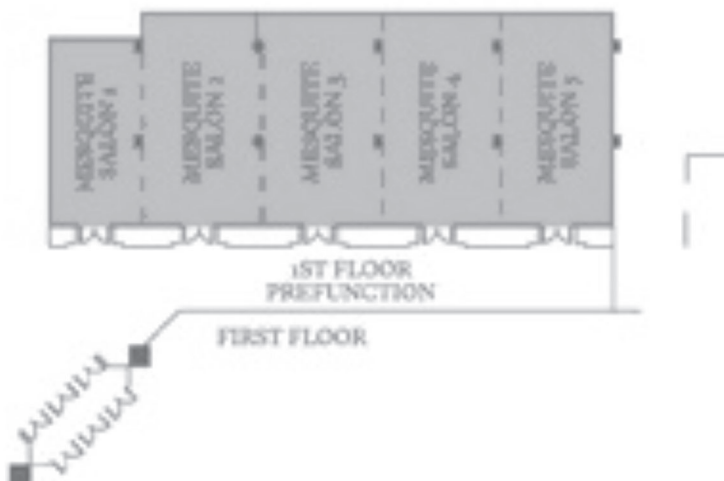
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## Hotel Map

All TAANA conference functions will take place in the Mesquite rooms on the first floor







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