

## 2026 CCN DNP Intensive Agenda

April 9-10, 2026

“Nurse Leaders in Action: Advancing Evidence, Innovation, and Impact”

### **Day 1: Translating Evidence into Leadership Impact**

**8:30 AM – 9:00 AM**

CCN 1035

Welcome & Opening Remarks

**9:00-9:50 AM**

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Nurse Leaders...Follow the Evidence

***“From Evidence to Enterprise: Doctoral Leadership Strategies for Sustainable Quality and Practice Transformation”***

Dr. Susan Bedwell

**9:50-10:05 AM**

Break

**10:05-10:55 AM**

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Nurse Leaders...Disseminate Their Findings

***“From Evidence to Influence: Present, Publish, & Persuade”***

Dr. Suzanne Prevost

**11:10-12:10 PM**

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Poster Session 1 – 6 rounds

**12:10 PM – 1:00 PM**

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Lunch Break & Networking

**1:00-1:50 PM**

Breakout Sessions

Option 1: Clinical Practice

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Nurse Leaders... Improve Health and Well-Being

***“Wellness and Weight Loss for Patients and Providers”***

Dr. Kimberly Wilson

Option 2: Academia

CCN 1026

Nurse Leaders...Transform Through Teaching

***“From Clinician to Academic Leader: Navigating the Transition to Faculty Roles in Nursing”***

Dr. Amy Bigham

Option 3: Healthcare Leadership

CCN 1027

Nurse Leaders...Drive Excellence in Healthcare Delivery

***“Nurse Leaders Driving Sustainable Change for Excellence in Quality & Safety Through Staff Engagement”***

Dr. Teresa Welch

**1:50-2:05 PM**

Break

**2:05-3:25 PM**

Poster Session 2 – 8 rounds

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**3:25-4:15 PM**

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Nurse Leaders... Advocate and Advance the Profession

***“Voices That Lead: Nurses Shaping Policy and Change”***

*Dr. Krista Niedermeier*

**4:15-4:20 PM**

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Closing Session & Reflections

**4:20-5:30 PM**

CCN Rotunda

Reception

**5:30 PM**

Dinner on your own

**Day 2: Innovate, Collaborate, Elevate: The Future of Nurse Leadership**

**8:30 AM – 9:00 AM**

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Nurse Leaders...Innovate

Dr. Kwuan Paruchabutr, Keynote Speaker

**9:50-10:05 AM**

Break

**10:05-10:55 AM**

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Nurse Leaders...Create Connections

***“Building and Leading Effective Interprofessional Teams: A DNP-Focused Framework for Collaborative Practice”***

Dr. Amy Lee

**10:55-11:10 AM**

Break

**11:10-12:05 PM**

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Nurse Leaders...Champion Strategic Advancement

Dr. Julie Sanford

**12:05-12:15 PM**

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Closing Session & Reflections

**12:30 PM**

UA Bus Tours (optional)

Meet with Faculty Advisors (optional)