

# NEUSHA 2024 Summer Academy: Cultivating Hope & Kindness in Your School Nursing Practice



Aug 7-8, 2024
Hotel 1620 Plymouth Harbor, 180 Water St., Plymouth, MA
Live Streaming: zoom link emailed to live stream participants

As a result of this conference, 80% of participants will identify new learning or skills that they can apply to their school nursing practice. Specific learning outcomes are shared by each presenter.

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# Wednesday August 7

7:30 am Sign In and Breakfast

8:00 Opening & Welcome Day 1

**NEUSHA Directors** 

Jenny Gormley, DNP, BA, RN, NCSN, FNASN and Kathy Hassey, DNP, MEd, RN, FNASN

# 8:15 Shining Light on Youth Emotional Wellness: Understanding, Supporting, and Empowering K-12 Students

Linda Price, M.Ed., CAGS, LEP, E-RYT Sarika Agarwal, youth mental health advocate

- Identify uplifting approaches to identifying and addressing the needs of K-12 students.
- 2. Describe the resilient spirit of youth with their experiences with anxiety, depression, suicidal thoughts, and trauma, even when these struggles may not be immediately apparent.
- 3. Identify tools to recognize harmful coping mechanisms and supportive interventions.

# 9:45 **Break**

# 10:00 Legal Issues Impacting School Nurses

Beth Cabral-Townson, BA, MEd, JD

- 1. report increased understanding of laws and regulations that impact their practice on a daily basis.
- 2. apply facts to law and discuss the appropriate action that should be taken.
- 3. identify a set of tools and strategies for meeting the needs of students in a manner that complies with state and federal law.

#### 11:30 Lunch

# 12:30 Cultivating Calm: The Science of Mindfulness

Susan Whitfield-Gabrieli, PhD

- 1. Identify the brain network that is over engaged in individuals suffering from anxiety, depression, rumination/worry
- 2. Define mindfulness-based neurofeedback (mbNF)
- 3. Describe current research with students that demonstrates impact of mindfulness on sustained attention, self-perceived stress, and mindfulness-based neurofeedback

# 1:35 Assessment of Common Orthopedic Injuries in School

Tylee Schraufnagel, MS, ATC

- 1. differentiate common orthopedic injuries in the school setting.
- 2. identify management options for acute orthopedic injuries in the secondary school setting.
- 3. report ability to use the Ottawa Ankle clinical prediction rule and
- 4. identify follow-up options based on findings from the Ottawa Ankle clinical prediction rule

#### 2:35 **Break**

#### 2:45 Narratives

# 3:30 Abdominal Assessment for School Nurses

Karen Rufo, MS, PPCNP-BC

- 1. state the key components of conducting a history when evaluating a student with abdominal pain
- 2. describe the steps in the physical assessment of a student
- 3. identify three red flags that warrant immediate evaluation by a physician/HCP
- 4. name three common conditions seen in school health clinics associated with abdominal pain

#### 6:15 Clambake Lobster Dinner

# Thursday, August 8, 2023

7:30 am	Sign-In, Breakfast and Exhibitors
8:15	Welcome Day 2 Jenny and Kathy
8:30	You Can Save A Girl's Life Today/Screening Below the Belt Shannon Cohn, J.D., Social Impact Producer
10:00	Break and Exhibitors
10:45	Kindness Cody Foss, MS, BA, Regional Director of Ben's Bells Project Northeast Operations

- 1. identify the scientific perspective regarding the impact that intentional kindness has on all humans
- 2. increase appreciation for the shared experience of all humans
- 3. describe the ripple effect of kindness
- 4. increase awareness of Ben's Bells Project Mission and Programming, specifically the free Social Emotional Intelligence Program offered for K-12 schools

# 12:15 pm Lunch and Exhibitors

#### 1:00 School Medicaid

Bob Bundy, BS, PSNI/Rokay Consulting

- 1. define School Medicaid and Expansion
- 2. describe the purpose of School Medicaid
- 3. name key federal laws and regulations that directed the establishment of School Medicaid
- 4. identify 3 supports for the school nurse to participate in School Medicaid
- 5. identify actual and potential solutions for 1 barrier to the school nurse participating in School Medicaid

# **Breakouts**

**MA School Nurses** 

Non-MA School Nurses

# 2:45 **Break**

# 3:00 Promoting Healthy Outcomes for LGBTQ students

Jeff Perrotti, M.A., CAS

- 1. use correct LGBTQ terminology
- 2. identify factors from research that promote resilience and positive outcomes
- 3. report increased knowledge of the experiences of transgender students and families
- 4. identify policies, practices, and resources that support LGBTQ students and families

# 4:15 Closing & Treat