

# Registration

# 2019 Georgia CNS Conference

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September 7, 2019

8:30am – 4:00pm

Southern Regional Medical Center

Education Building on the ground floor

11 Upper Riverdale Road,

Riverdale, Georgia 30274.

Registration fee \$99

Registration deadline is August 1, 2019

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**Register Online Now**



**Directions from North of Atlanta:** Take I-75 SOUTH to exit 235 onto Tara Boulevard. Turn right on Upper Riverdale Road. Travel 1 mile and the hospital is on the right.

**Direction from South of Atlanta:** Take I-75 NORTH to exit 235. Use the left two lanes to turn left onto US-19/US-41 S/Old Dixie Road. Use the right two lanes at the first cross street to turn onto Upper Riverdale Road. Travel 1 mile and the hospital is on the right.

**The Education building is located between the main entrance of the hospital and the 33 Professional Building.**

*The Georgia CNS Mission* is to promote the unique and varying expertise and value a clinical nurse specialist contributes to the healthcare organization.

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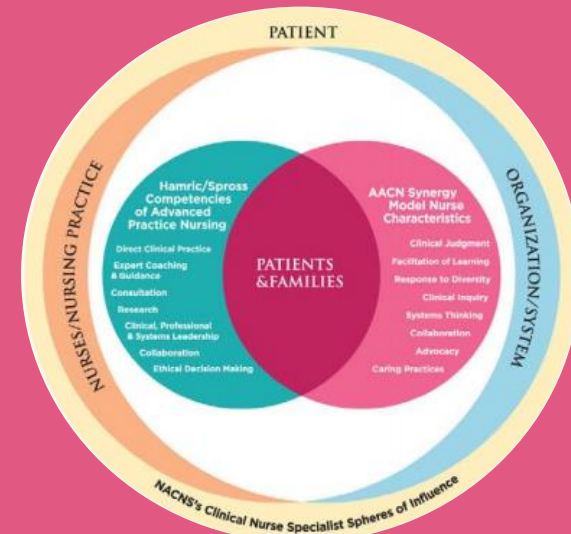
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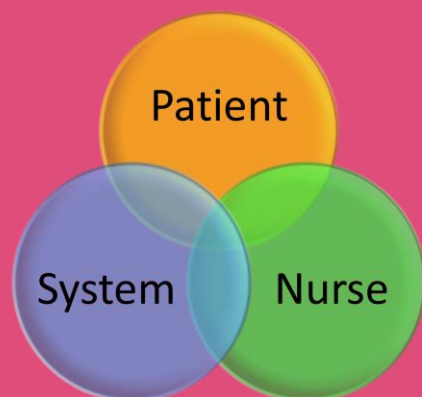
## COURSE DESCRIPTION:

“A Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS) is a Master’s prepared Advance Practice Nurse whose function is to improve outcomes in patient care. The CNS is a clinical practice expert, an educator, a researcher, and a consultant who influences the three spheres of practice: patient care, nursing and systems.” – National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists.

The 2019 Georgia CNS conference is designed to highlight the unique expertise, value, and impact the CNS has within healthcare delivery. It will provide the opportunity to network with other clinical nurse specialists from various healthcare facilities, as well as with vendors and sponsors sharing new and innovative healthcare products and services.

Upon completion of this conference, the participant will be able to:

- Discuss how the CNS impacts health care delivery and patient outcomes
- Describe the value in the CNS role
- Identify key factors that affect retention of the CNS role
- Examine the CNS role within the Ambulatory setting



**An application for nursing contact hours has been submitted.**

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### “Clinical Nurse Specialists...Influencing Healthcare Delivery”

8:30 – 9:00	<b>Registration and Breakfast</b>
9:00 - 9:15	<b>Welcome</b> <i>Mona Brown</i>
9:15 - 10:15	<b>Keynote Presentation</b> <b>End of Life and Having THE Conversation</b> <i>Anne Hysong</i>
10:15 - 10:30	<b>Break</b>
10:30 - 11:15	<b>Conference Session I</b> <b>The CNS impact on Healthcare Challenges:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Boarding of Psychiatric Patients, Impact on Patient Outcomes</b>– <i>Jacquelyn Byrd</i></li><li>• <b>Opioid Epidemic</b> – <i>Noreen Peyatt</i></li></ul>
11:15 – 11:45	<b>Value and Retention of the CNS Role</b> <i>Renecha Abrams/Muun Queen Malone</i>
11:45 – 12:00	<b>Lunch Transition</b>
12:00 - 1:00	<b>Midday Plenary Session</b> <b>High Reliability: The CNS Perspective</b> <i>Cynthia Oster</i>
1:00 - 1:15	<b>Break</b>
1:15 – 2:00	<b>Conference Session II</b> <b>The CNS impact on Disease Management:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>HIV and TB</b> – <i>Davida F. Wynn</i></li><li>• <b>Stroke</b> – <i>Shannah Lowe/Cynthia Bond</i></li></ul>
2:00 - 2:30	<b>Afternoon Plenary Session</b> <b>Population Health</b> <i>Gerald Hobbs</i>
2:30 - 2:45	<b>Break</b>
2:45 - 3:45	<b>Conference Session III - Pharmacology</b> <b>DOAC- and VKA-Associated Bleeding Management</b> <i>Yolanda Whitty</i>
3:45 - 4:00	<b>Closing Remarks</b> <i>Mona Brown</i>

## Conference Speakers

**Mona Brown, MSN, APRN, ACCNS-AG**

*GACNS President  
Clinical Nurse Specialist, Acute Care  
WellStar Health System*

**Anne E. Hysong, MSN, APRN, CCNS, ACNS-BC, FCNS**

*Clinical Nurse Specialist, Critical Care  
Gwinnett Medical Center*

**Jacquelyn Byrd, DNP, APRN, ACNS-BC, CEN**

*Nurse Educator  
Southern Regional Medical Center*

**Noreen Peyatt, MSN, APRN, ACNS-BC**

*Clinical Nurse Specialist  
Emory University Healthcare*

**Renecha Abrams, MSN, APRN, ACCNS-AG, CCRN**

*Clinical Nurse Specialist, Acute Care  
WellStar Health System*

**Muun Queen Malone, MSN, APRN, ACCNS-AG**

*Clinical Nurse Specialist, Acute Care  
WellStar Health System*

**Cynthia Oster, PhD, RN, APRN, MBA, ACNS-BC, ANP, FAAN**

*Adjunct Assistant Professor  
Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing, Emory University*

**Davida F. Wynn, MSN, APRN, ACNS-BC**

*Clinical Nurse Specialist  
Emory University Hospital Midtown*

**Cynthia Bond, MSN, APRN, ACNS-BC, CCRN**

*Clinical Nurse Specialist, Neurosciences and Critical Care  
WellStar Health System*

**Shannah Lowe, MSN, APRN, ACNS-BC**

*Clinical Nurse Specialist  
Emory University Healthcare*

**Gerald B. Hobbs, DNP, APRN, ACNS-BC**

*Clinical Nurse Specialist, Ambulatory Services  
WellStar Health System*

**Yolanda Whitty, PharmD, BCPS**

*Clinical Pharmacist, PGY1 Pharmacy Residency Program  
Coordinator  
WellStar Cobb Hospital*



**KEYNOTE SPEAKER:**

*Anne Hysong*

Anne Hysong served as the immediate past president for the National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialist (NACNS) in 2018. She is a member of both the American Association of Critical Care Nurse (AACN) and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC). She currently works as a Critical Care CNS at Gwinnett Medical Center in Duluth, GA.



**MIDDAY PLENARY  
SPEAKER:**

*Dr. Cynthia Oster*

Dr. Cynthia Oster is the Patient Safety Nurse Scientist at Emory Healthcare following more than a decade of service as a Nurse Scientist at Centura Health and clinical nurse specialist for critical care and cardiovascular services at Porter Adventist Hospital, Denver, Colorado. She has been employed in a variety of research, clinical, education and administrative positions throughout her career. She mentors clinical nurses and advanced practice nurses to develop clinical practice wisdom through application of high reliability principles, evidence-based practice and research. She holds Clinical Nurse Specialist-Core and Adult Clinical Nurse Specialist certification from the American Nurses Credentialing Center. In 2017, Dr. Oster became a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing.



**AFTERNOON PLENARY  
SPEAKER:**

*Dr. Gerald Hobbs*

Dr. Gerald Hobbs' is a CNS employed by the WellStar Health System, Marietta, GA, where he facilitates evidence-based practice to impact safety and optimal health-care outcomes. His primary focus and experience of practice is adult health critical care services. Dr. Hobbs received a doctoral degree of nursing practice in 2015 from Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia, as well as his Master of Science degree from Georgia State University in 2006. Dr. Hobbs is an active member of several professional organizations including the National Association for Clinical Nurse Specialist, American Nurses Association, Georgia Nurses Association, and American Association of Critical Care Nurses.



**PHARMACOLOGY  
SPEAKER:**

*Yolanda Whitty*

Yolanda Whitty, PharmD, BCPS received her Bachelor of Science in Exercise Sports Science from the University of Florida, where she was an All-American in track and field, and her Doctor of Pharmacy from Mercer University. She completed post-graduate training in drug information at Mercer University Drug Information Center and pharmacy practice at Atlanta Medical Center. Since 2015, Dr. Whitty has practiced at WellStar Cobb Hospital (WCH) as a clinical pharmacist and is the WCH post-graduate year one (PGY1) pharmacy residency coordinator. Her areas of expertise include adult internal medicine, anticoagulation, and parenteral nutrition. She is a board-certified pharmacotherapy specialist and is also a Georgia Society of Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition board member.



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**Membership Fee**

Georgia Clinical Nurse Specialist group meets monthly September through May and has bi-weekly board meetings in the summer months to gear up for each upcoming Legislative year.

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- Full CNS membership \$50 per annual year
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**Benefits:**

- Educational presentations
- Legislative voice
- State CNS networking

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