

**The National Association
of Health Unit Coordinators, Inc.
(NAHUC)
29th Annual
Education Conference**



**Aim High for
Peak Performance**

**Denver Renaissance Hotel
Denver, Colorado
August 4-7, 2010**

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NAHUC 2010 Annual Education Conference

The National Association of Health Unit Coordinators, Inc. (NAHUC) is the professional association for health unit coordinators. NAHUC is dedicated to promoting health unit coordinating as a profession through education and certification, complying with the NAHUC Standards of Practice, Standards of Education, and Code of Ethics.

The NAHUC 2010 Education Conference is open to all audiences involved in health care, including health unit coordinators (also known as unit secretaries, unit clerks, ward clerks, information coordinators), supervisors, educators, and administrators.

NAHUC Continuing Education Contact Hours:

13.5 NAHUC education contact hours are available for this conference. Any attendee who is absent from an education session for 15 minutes or longer will not be eligible to receive a contact hour certificate for that session.

Special Events

Orientation (Wednesday, 3:30-4:00 PM)

A short introduction to the conference and host city to help you get the most out of the conference. All are welcome.

Region Meetings (Wednesday, 4:00-5:00 PM)

On Wednesday afternoon you have the opportunity to get together with your regional representative and others in your region. Bring your ideas, thoughts and concerns to this informal, but very informative gathering.

Welcome Reception and Birthday Celebration

(Wednesday, 6:30-8:00 PM)

This is an opportunity to meet and network with health unit coordinators from across the country and celebrate NAHUC's 30th birthday. Dessert will be served.

Poster Contest (Wednesday during the welcome reception)

Poster contest entrants will present the posters they've designed. For contest rules, visit the NAHUC web site.

Poker Walk (Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 6:30-7:30 AM)

Participate in the poker walk or physical activity of your choice. Each morning check in, go exercise, and when you return, pick cards for a chance to win a prize.

Networking Luncheon (Thursday, 12:00-1:15 PM)

Network with your peers while enjoying lunch. Cost \$25 per person.

General Assembly (Thursday, 3:30-5:00 PM)

The annual NAHUC business meeting is held on Thursday afternoon. Come hear what the national committees have been doing. All members are encouraged to participate; all non-members are invited to observe. The national annual awards are presented during the meeting.

Exhibit, Region, and Chapter Display Tables

For a vendor, region, or chapter table agreement form, visit www.nahuc.org or contact the NAHUC office by July 1, 2010.

Entertainment and Tourism

Education sessions end at 3:00 on Friday to allow participants time to experience Denver on their own. Visit <http://www.nahuc.org> or <http://www.denver.org/> or <http://discover.stapletondenver.com/#/discover> for tourist information.

Georgetown Loop Railroad and Mine Tour

(Saturday, 11:30 AM – 7:00 PM)

Includes bus transportation, train ride, mine tour or shopping/museum tour and cowboy barbeque buffet. Cost \$75.00 bus, train ride, mine tour, and buffet or \$65.00 bus, train ride, shopping/museum tour, and buffet. Visit the NAHUC web site for more details.

Memorial Service (Saturday during Closing Ceremony)

The Memorial Service is a time to remember those friends of NAHUC who have passed on. If you know of someone to honor, please contact the NAHUC office.

Conference attendees are responsible for making their own transportation and lodging arrangements.

Conference registration fee does not include transportation, lodging or meals.

Conference Site and Accommodations

Hotel

Denver Renaissance Hotel

3801 Quebec St

Denver, Colorado 80207

Local phone number: (303) 399-7500

Reservations toll-free phone number: (888) 238-6762

Reservations for the Denver Renaissance Hotel must be made by calling the reservations number and using the group code: NAHUC.

Room Rates

(If booked by July 10, 2010 and subject to availability*)

Single/Double/Triple/Quad = \$109 plus 14.85 % room tax*

Denver Renaissance Hotel requires all reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card. Refunds issued only if cancellation notice received at least 72 hours prior to scheduled arrival.

Check-in time is 3:00 PM and check-out time is 11:00 AM.

These rates are available from Sunday, August 1 through Sunday, August 8, 2010 and are subject to availability at time of request. ***A limited number of rooms are available and will be available until July 10 or until full, whichever comes first.**

Room Sharing

If you are interested in sharing a room, please contact the NAHUC office with your name, address, phone, email, and smoking preference. There is no guarantee of a match for sharing.

Presenters and Topics (In Order of Appearance)

University of Colorado Hospital (UCH) Team

Session 3C

“UCH Solid Organ Transplant Program”

The team presenting consists of Tracy Steinberg MS, RN, CNS with the liver transplant program, Betsy Britz ND, RN, CNS of the renal transplant program, Maren Diercks MS, RN, CNS of the lung transplant program, and Karin Keller MS, RN, CS-FNP of the heart transplant program.

Learning Objectives:

1. To describe characteristics of UCH’s solid organ transplant programs (liver, kidney, kidney/pancreas, heart, lung and heart/lung).
2. To define criteria for evaluation and acceptance as solid organ transplant candidate.
3. To explain pre and postoperative care goals for the solid organ transplant recipient.
4. To discuss issues and challenges surrounding living-related donor transplantation.
5. To understand multidisciplinary requirements of a successful solid organ transplant program.

Charity Bowie Riley, BS, CHUC Session 4A

“NAHUC Affiliated Chapter Formation: What’s the Big Deal?”

Charity Riley is a certified health unit assistant at Huntsville Hospital in Huntsville, Alabama. In that role, Charity has served as a super user for physicians during iCare implementation, developed the first orientation packet for new floats and is scheduled to graduate from Huntsville Hospital’s Emerging Leaders Program in June 2010. Charity initiated the organization of and currently serves as President-Elect for one of NAHUC’s newest chapters, the North Alabama Chapter of NAHUC.

Learning Objectives:

1. Understand the NAHUC guidelines for forming a chapter.
2. Understand why chapters are important both locally and nationally.
3. Understand the professional advantages/benefits of belonging to a chapter.
4. Understand how the chapter can become partners with the institutions they represent.

Thomas Kirk, PhD, MA, LPC Session 5A

“Name the Game- Coping with Change”

Thomas Kirk is the Psychiatric Resource Clinician for Behavioral Health Services at Cheyenne Regional Medical Center in Wyoming. Thomas has presented numerous workshops on a variety of topics to wide audiences.

Learning Objectives:

1. Identify the emotional issues that affect you and your positions.
2. Identify how to increase your emotional intelligence.
3. Identify what part you plan in the emotional playing field.

Presenters and Topics (In Order of Appearance)

NAHUC CPOE Task Force Sessions 6A and 7A

“CPOE Panel Discussion”

This committee was formed in 2009 and charged with looking at Computerized Physician/Provider Order Entry and writing a statement on behalf of NAHUC to support CPOE as a tool in patient safety. Members of this committee, led by chairperson Donna Kuhns, will facilitate a panel discussion. The panel consists of Donna Kuhns, CHUC, of Aurora Health System in Milwaukee, WI, Marjorie Branham, CHUC, of Christ Hospital and Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center in OH, Angela Cole, BS, CHUC, of Cincinnati Children’s Hospital Medical Center in OH, and Karen Clements, CHUC at Gundersen Lutheran Medical Center in La Crosse, WI.

Learning Objectives:

1. Discuss the value and drivers for CPOE implementation.
2. Identify and address the concerns of the HUC as it relates to the implementation of CPOE.
3. Identify strategies that organizations should consider regarding the rollout of CPOE and measures the HUC can take to ensure involvement and success.
4. Discuss how the HUC Role is changing, not diminished, as a result of CPOE and identify strategies to be successful.

Gwen McCranie, RPSGT Session 6B

“Sleep Disorders and Good Nights: Recognizing Sleep Disorder Breathing and the Underconsidered Effects on your Health”

Gwen McCranie is the Neurodiagnostic Coordinator in the Sleep Disorders/EEG Lab at St. Mary-Corwin Medical Center in Pueblo, Colorado. Gwen has 20 years experience in health care, beginning in 1989 as a unit coordinator. Gwen’s experience includes seven years of emergency medicine, three years of respiratory therapy and EEG and twelve years in sleep disorders.

Learning Objectives:

1. The main objective is to better understand the effects of undiagnosed and/or untreated sleep.
2. Disorder breathing.
3. Leave empowered about the contribution we all lend in the care of a patient.

Presenters and Topics (In Order of Appearance)

Jeffrey Shaw, BA, MS **Session 6C**
“Hereditary Breast Cancer – Shaking the Family Tree”

Jeffrey Shaw is the Senior Genetic Counselor at Centura Health/Penrose-St. Francis Health Services in Colorado Springs. Jeffrey is the recipient of the 2008 Penrose St. Francis Health Systems President’s Award and is a member of the NCI Community Cancer Centers Program (NCCCP) Quality of Care Genetics Working Group, Colorado Cancer Prevention Control Program, Colorado Ovarian Cancer Advisory Panel and Penrose St. Francis Medical Ethics Board.

Learning Objectives:

1. Understand the basics of cancer genetics and genetic counseling.
2. Understand the characteristics of a family history that indicate the chance of hereditary breast cancer.
3. Understand how genetic testing is used to confirm inherited breast cancer in a family.
4. Understand how the detection of an inherited breast cancer impacts medical care.
5. Understand screening and prevention.
6. Understand how genetic testing results affect the extended family.
7. Understand special issues surrounding the use of genetic testing for inherited cancer.

Diane Anderson, MS,RN,BC-FNP,APNP,CDE **Session 7B**

“Contemporary Diabetes Care Medical Orders”

Diane Anderson is a Family Nurse Practitioner/Certified Diabetes Educator for Aurora Medical Group and a Health Careers Faculty Lecturer and Clinical Instructor at Gateway Technical College in Racine, Wisconsin. Diane is affiliated with the American Diabetes Association, Professional Section and a member of the Inaugural National Prevention Committee Member.

Learning Objectives:

1. Define diabetes mellitus including risk factors and basic pathophysiology.
2. Review basics on contemporary diabetes standards of care and research as it relates to medical orders.
3. Review current laboratory and diagnostic tests related to diagnosis, treatment and control of diabetes mellitus and its complications.
4. Review diabetes medications including oral agents and insulin.
5. Review standing orders/protocols for diabetes management including insulin protocols.
6. Discuss changing role of the health unit coordinator that may enhance patient safety, assist health care providers in utilization of contemporary online diabetes resources and increase continuity of care for the population affected by diabetes.

Presenters and Topics (In Order of Appearance)

Algha D. “Al” Lodwick, RPh, MA **Session 7C**
“Is it Really Rat Poison? Warfarin from Beginning to Replacements”

Al Lodwick is a Certified Anticoagulation Care Provider and Principal of Lodwick Pharmacy Consulting, LLC. Al is the founder of the Warfarin Institute of America and the developer and webmaster of www.warfarinfo.com, a comprehensive source of information about warfarin ranging from the history of warfarin, to how it is monitored, to ratings of the seriousness of warfarin interactions. His website is accredited by the Health on the Net Foundation of Geneva, Switzerland.

Learning Objectives:

1. Describe how warfarin went from rat poison to one of the most enduring drugs on the market.
2. Understand the Joint Commission’s National Patient Safety Goal – Reducing the Harm Done by Anticoagulation.
3. Prepare for the replacement of warfarin by medications with more focused action.

Loretta Morrow, BA **Session 8A**
“Downsizing in an Increasingly Demanding World”

Loretta Morrow is a helpdesk analyst at Montgomery General Hospital in Olney, Maryland. Loretta founded New Beginning 4 Me as a way to reach those who need to change aspects of their lives but either do not know how or are too afraid. Loretta brings her experiences together, including her victory over breast cancer, in a message that is inspiring and uplifting.

Learning Objectives:

1. What downsizing means to different people
2. Loss impact – the domino effect
3. Self esteem issues
4. Identifying different demands
5. Coping Mechanisms
6. Prioritizing demands and work load
7. Depersonalizing
8. Attitude re-adjustment
9. Realistic personal expectations
10. Moving Forward
11. Strategies to move forward
12. Positive downsize potential
13. Re-evaluation of goals: personal and professional

Schedule of Events

Monday, August 2, Tuesday, August 3, Wednesday, August 4

8:00 AM-5:00 PM Board of Directors Meeting
(Participants are encouraged to observe board meetings.)

Tuesday, August 3

5:00 PM-7:00 PM Registration

Wednesday, August 4

8:30 AM-12:30 PM Pre-conference Certification Workshop
(add'l fee)

12:30 PM-4:00 PM Registration

2:00 PM-3:30 PM Session 1A

3:30 PM-4:00 PM Orientation Session

4:00 PM-5:00 PM Region Meetings

6:30 PM-8:00 PM Welcome Party & Poster Contest

The NAHUC Board of Directors is continuing the tradition of collecting donations at conference. If you would like to participate, please bring your choice of a t-shirt representing your home hospital/town/state, school supplies or a monetary contribution. Items will be displayed during conference and then donated to a local charity.

Thursday, August 5

6:30 AM-7:30 AM Poker Walk

8:00 AM-8:30 AM Registration

8:30 AM-12:00 PM Session 2A

12:00 PM-1:15PM Networking Lunch (add'l fee)

1:30 PM-3:00 PM Concurrent sessions 3A-3C

3:30 PM-5:00 PM General Assembly

6:00 PM-7:30 PM Session 4A

Friday, August 6

6:30 AM-7:30 AM Poker Walk

8:00 AM-8:30 AM Registration

8:30 AM-10:00 AM Session 5A

10:30 AM-12:00 PM Concurrent Sessions 6A- 6C

12:00 PM-1:15 PM Lunch on own

1:30 PM-3:00 PM Concurrent Sessions 7A-7C

Saturday, August 7

6:30 AM-7:30 AM Poker Walk

8:00 AM-8:30 AM Registration

8:30 AM-10:00 AM Session 8A

10:15 AM-10:45 AM Closing Ceremony

11:30 AM-7:00 PM Georgetown Loop (add'l fee)

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The NAHUC Program Committee reserves the right to make changes in the program and cannot be held liable for any scheduled event failing to be presented. Be aware that certain procedures and events of the conference are recorded. Your attendance is an implied consent. Please contact the Program Chairperson via the NAHUC office if you have any concerns. For your comfort, we recommend dressing in layers since it is difficult to regulate the classroom room temperatures to please everyone. Please note: there is a limited number of lodging rooms at the reduced rate, a limited amount of classroom space, and a limited number of conference supplies and handouts based on the number of registrations received. While every attempt will be made to accommodate late and on-site registrations, no guarantee can be made that space will be available for late and on-site registrations.

NAHUC 2010 Conference Registration Form

Name: _____ Job Title: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State/Prov: _____ Zip/PC: _____
 Phone Number: (____) _____ E-mail: _____
 NAHUC Member # _____ Certification # _____

CERTIFICATION EXAM REVIEW WORKSHOP	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday, 8:30-12:30 Fee: \$60. This is a separate workshop; fee is not included in conference registration. Limited seating.
FULL 4-DAY NAHUC CONFERENCE REGISTRATION Circle corresponding member status and postmark date.	NAHUC Members \$195 (postmarked & paid by 6/04) \$225 (postmarked & paid by 7/09) \$270 (on-site registration) Non-member* \$230 (postmarked & paid by 6/04) \$260 (postmarked & paid by 7/09) \$305 (on-site registration) *Call the NAHUC office at 888-226-2482 or visit www.nahuc.org for a membership application to join NAHUC now and take advantage of savings to NAHUC members. Institutional Provider Number: _____ (Registration fee deferred for one attendee from IP) Student Registration fee reduced by 50% with proof of enrollment in a health unit coordinator program.
PARTIAL ATTENDANCE	If you do not plan to attend the entire conference and prefer to pay the daily rate, please check the date(s) attending. <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday Member \$80 Non-member \$100 <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday Member \$125 Non-member \$145 <input type="checkbox"/> Friday Member \$125 Non-member \$145 <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday Member \$80 Non-member \$100
ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday Welcome & Birthday Celebration & Poster Contest. No fee, but check here if attending. <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday Networking Luncheon. \$25 per person. <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday Georgetown Loop Railroad Tour. \$75 bus, rail ride, mine tour, and buffet or \$65 bus, rail ride, and buffet.
TOTAL AMOUNT	\$ _____ Include registration fee and fees for entertainment and pre-conference workshop if attending. All mailed and faxed registrations must be postmarked prior to July 9. Those registering after July 9 must register in person on-site.

*Refund Policy: 100% if requested by June 4, 2010. 50% if requested after June 5 but before July 9, 2010. No refunds after July 9, 2010.
 All refund requests must be made in writing and postmarked with date stipulation above.
 Registration is transferable to another registrant for the 2010 annual conference only.*

**Directions: Please mark your first (1) and second (2) choices for each time slot where more than one session is offered.
 Sessions accommodate a limited number of participants.
 Requests will be honored as registrations and payments are received according to postmark.**

<p>Wednesday, August 4 2:00 PM-3:30 PM (check if attending) <input type="checkbox"/> 1A Schoolcraft: Reaching Your Peak</p> <p>Thursday, August 5 8:30 AM-12:00 PM (check if attending) <input type="checkbox"/> 2A Zisman: Creating a Lasting Leadership Legacy</p> <p>1:30 PM-3:00 PM Concurrent Sessions (mark 1st and 2nd choices) <input type="checkbox"/> 3A Hansen: Magnet Status- Impact on the H.U.C. <input type="checkbox"/> 3B Pino-Rutkowski: H.U.C. Role as Life Cycle Completed <input type="checkbox"/> 3C UCH Transplant Team: Solid Organ Transplant Program</p> <p>6:00 PM-7:30 PM (check if attending) <input type="checkbox"/> 4A Riley: NAHUC Chapter Formation</p>	<p>Friday, August 6 8:30 AM-10:00 AM (check if attending) <input type="checkbox"/> 5A Kirk: Name the Game – Coping with Change</p> <p>10:30AM-12:00 PM Concurrent Sessions (mark 1st and 2nd choices) <input type="checkbox"/> 6A CPOE Panel (repeat – offered twice) <input type="checkbox"/> 6B McCranie: Sleep Disorders and Good Nights <input type="checkbox"/> 6C Shaw: Hereditary Breast Cancer – Shaking the Family Tree</p> <p>1:30 PM-3:00 PM Concurrent Sessions (mark 1st and 2nd choices) <input type="checkbox"/> 7A CPOE Panel (repeat – offered twice) <input type="checkbox"/> 7B Anderson: Contemporary Diabetes Care Medical Orders <input type="checkbox"/> 7C Lodwick: Warfarin from Beginning to Replacements</p> <p>Saturday, August 7 8:30 AM-10:00AM (check if attending) <input type="checkbox"/> 8A Morrow: Downsizing in an Increasingly Demanding World</p>
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Registration cannot be processed without payment. My check, drawn on a U.S. bank in U.S. funds, made payable to NAHUC, is enclosed for the total amount listed or charge the total amount listed to my MasterCard or Visa.
 Card # _____ Exp. Date _____ (not valid without exp. date)
 Signature _____

**Mail to: NAHUC Program Committee 1947 Madron Road Rockford, IL 61107 or Fax to: 815-633-4438
 All mailed & faxed registrations must be postmarked prior to July 9, 2010.
 Those registering after July 10 must register in person on-site.
 Registration for conference is not processed or confirmed until payment is received in full.**