

# PERIANESTHESIA NURSING CONFERENCE 2026

Sponsored by University of Iowa Health Care, Department of Nursing Services and Patient Care



**Saturday, March 7, 2026** | 8:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. (CST)

Location: Virtual through Zoom

The purpose of this conference is to provide an update on a variety of topics of interest to enhance the knowledge of the perianesthesia nurse.

Intended Audience: Licensed nurses and other anesthesia healthcare professionals.



Agenda	
08:00 a.m.	Welcome
08:05	Vaginal Natural Orifice Surgery (vNOTES): What, How and Why? Emily Boevers, MD, Obstetrician Gynecologist
09:05	<b>Neurosurgery Admission Practice Changes</b>   Anthony Marincovich, MD, Neurosurgery Resident
09:35	Cerliponase, a Novel Therapy for Batten Disease   Patrick Donegan, MD, Ophthalmology Resident
10:05	Break
10:15	Hypoglossal Nerve Stimulation in the Treatment of Obstructive Sleep Apnea – Douglas J. Van Daele, MD, Otolaryngology Professor
11:15	Supportive Care for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder
	<b>Undergoing Venipuncture</b> – DeeAnn Hebrink, BSN, RN, Peds-BC, Staff Nurse
11:45	<b>End-Tidal CO2: The Fifth Vital Sign</b> – Ryan Frede, MBA, RRT, RRT-NPS, RRT-ACCS, Respiratory Care Supervisor
12:15 p.m.	Evaluation & Adjourn

Schedule and speakers are subject to change. Faculty are staff of UI Health Care and/or University of Iowa Colleges unless otherwise indicated.



### **Educational Objectives**

- Discuss a novel surgical technique and how patients and systems can benefit from minimally invasive gynecologic surgery.
- Provide education about neurosurgery admission practice changes.
- Discuss Batten Disease and its new therapy, Cerliponase alfa.
- List the indications for appropriate patient populations that benefit from hypoglossal nerve stimulation.
- Identify evidence-based interventions for distraction, comfort and pain relief for a child with autism spectrum disorder.
- Explain the physiological significance of end-tidal CO<sub>2</sub> (EtCO<sub>2</sub>), interpret EtCO<sub>2</sub> waveforms in clinical scenarios, and apply EtCO<sub>2</sub> monitoring to enhance patient assessment and decision-making as a fifth vital sign.

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## **Registration Information**



#### **Registration Fee:**

- University of Iowa Health Care Attendee = \$32
- Non-University of Iowa Health Care Attendee = \$40 (add \$15 after February 11, 2026)

#### Registration link: <a href="https://uiowa.cloud-cme.com/course/courseoverview?P=0&EID=74403">https://uiowa.cloud-cme.com/course/courseoverview?P=0&EID=74403</a>

• You will need to set up an account if you a first-time user, or 'sign in' if you already have a CloudCME account. Registration deadline is February 25, 2026. The Zoom link and any additional conference details will be provided the week prior to the conference.

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The UI Health Care Department of Nursing Services and Patient Care's continuing education programs are developed under the supervision of Christina Woline, DNP, RN, NPD-BC, Associate Chief Nursing Officer – Professional Practice.

Determination of educational content for this program and the selection of speakers are responsibilities of the program director and planning committee.

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