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National Black Nurses Association Invites Health Care Industry Professionals to Annual Partners Meeting

St. Louis, MO — October 3, 2025 — The National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) will host its Partners Meeting on Friday, October 24, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. CDT at the St. Louis Union Station Hotel. This important convening will bring together NBNA leadership, sponsors, and partners from across the healthcare ecosystem to collaborate, align, and advance NBNA’s mission of health equity.

The meeting is part of the lead-up to NBNA’s 54th Annual Institute & Conference (July 28 – August 2, 2026), also to be held in St. Louis, under the theme *“Gateway to Health Equity: Advancing Innovation, Justice and Leadership in Nursing.”*

“NBNA’s Partners Meeting is where our mission meets our vision, and becomes action,” said **Sheldon D. Fields, PhD, RN, CRNP, FNP-BC, AACRN, FAANP, FNAP, FADLN, FAAN**, President of the National Black Nurses Association. “By uniting with our various partners, we are co-creating opportunities that expand the nursing pipeline, adding to and strengthening the black nursing workforce, and improving outcomes for historically underserved and marginalized communities nationwide.”

Key Benefits of Partnership and Participation

Organizations that join NBNA as partners and participate in the Partners Meeting will benefit from:

- Exposure to more than 1,200 professionals across clinical care, education, and healthcare leadership at the NBNA Annual Conference.
- Direct engagement with nurses and healthcare professionals at all career stages are committed to advancing health equity and improving outcomes in underserved communities.
- Prime visibility in a setting where attendees are eager to learn about innovative solutions, services, and products that enhance the quality of care they deliver.
- Access to influential leaders in health professions, education, and administration—opening doors to meaningful collaborations and long-term relationships.
- Strategic alignment with NBNA’s nationally recognized programs and initiatives, ensuring that partner contributions drive measurable and lasting impact.

Event Details

- What: NBNA Partners Meeting
- When: Friday, October 24, 2025, | 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. CDT
- Where: St. Louis Union Station Hotel, 1280 Market Street, St. Louis, Missouri

- Who Should Attend: Current and prospective local, national, and international NBNA partners from across the healthcare system, academia, philanthropy, industry, and community sectors. Partners who are planning to be a part of our upcoming 2026 54th Annual NBNA Institute and Conference are encouraged to come.
- RSVP: Confirm attendance at: [2026 Conference - St. Louis, Missouri Partners Meeting RSVP](#)

For more information, please contact our Marketing and Communications Specialist, Faith Janecke at fjanecke@nbna.org or 301-589-3200.

About the National Black Nurses Association

Founded in 1971, the National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) is a professional organization representing 308,000 African American registered nurses, 99,000 licensed vocational/practical nurses, and nursing students in 115 chapters and 33 states and the District of Columbia. The NBNA mission is “to serve as the voice for Black nurses and diverse populations ensuring equal access to professional development, promoting educational opportunities and improving health.” NBNA chapters offer voluntary hours providing health education and screenings to community residents in collaboration with community-based partners, including faith-based organizations, civic, fraternal, hospitals, and schools of nursing. For more information, visit nbna.org. Follow us on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#), and [Twitter](#).