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AAPACN 2023 Conference Begins Today

Las Vegas, NV, April 19, 2023 – The American Association of Post-Acute Care Nursing (AAPACN) [2023 Conference](#) begins today at the Tropicana in Las Vegas. Bringing together approximately 950 long-term and post-acute care nurses and professionals, the conference offers attendees the education, information, and insights they will need to develop review and update facility systems and policies in preparation for the extensive October MDS changes.

During her opening comments, AAPACN President and CEO, Tracey Moorhead, highlighted the association’s 2022 accomplishments and areas of focus in 2023, including:

- [1,590](#) professionals earned an AAPACN certification in 2022
- INOVALON’s “Value of Certification” [report](#) demonstrated for the second straight year a positive correlation between star rating and AAPACN certification
- AAPACN staff participation on three Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) Technical Expert Panels in 2022
- [Quality Virtual Conference](#) for leaders in skilled nursing facilities and home health agencies planned for June 14, 2023
- MDS Update Virtual Conference planned for Aug. 23, 2023
- Additional programs and resources for survey preparedness, Section GG training, and a new F-Tag library resource

“2023 will continue to be a year of tremendous change driven by the new RAI Manual taking effect on October 1,” Moorhead explains. “AAPACN is committed to ensuring our more than 17,000 members have the information and education needed to drive a successful transition and implementation within their facilities and organizations.”

The conference concludes on Friday, April 21, with an in-person CMS update from Evan Shulman, Director, Division of Nursing Homes, and John Kane, SNF Team Lead.

About AAPACN

The [American Association of Post-Acute Care Nursing](#) (AAPACN) represents more than 17,000 post-acute care nurses and professionals working in more than 5,175 facilities. Dedicated to supporting PAC nurses and healthcare professionals in providing quality care, AAPACN offers members best in-class education, certification, resources, and strong collaborative communities.

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