



**2023**

# **Annual Convention**

**Reno, Nevada**

## **Call for Speakers**

### **Deadlines:**

**Speaker Proposal:**  
Due December 15, 2022

**Speaker Agreement and  
Supporting Documents:**  
Due January 15, 2023

**MARCH 2 - 5,  
2023**

**Silver Legacy Resort  
Casino  
Reno, Nevada**  
P 1-775-329-4777  
[www.caesars.com/silver-legacy-reno](http://www.caesars.com/silver-legacy-reno)

**BNRF-National Contact**  
P 1-850-475-3535  
[blacknursesrock.net](http://blacknursesrock.net)



## WHY SHOULD YOU SPEAK AT THE BNRF CONVENTION?

The Black Nurses Rock Foundation invites you to join us as a speaker/presenter for the 2023 Black Nurses Rock Annual Convention, March 2nd-5th at the Silver Legacy Resort Casino, Reno, Nevada.

BNRF Conventions have always been a space for nurses to connect with each other and experience engaging educational sessions, a packed exhibit hall, and a Gala for the record books. But we want to expand that space to provide you, our members, with an opportunity to share your knowledge and expertise and gain valuable leadership and presentation experience.

## CONVENTION THEME

The theme of the 2023 BNRF Annual Convention is "Inspire, Empower, Innovate." Our theme is a call to focus on the human element of nursing, the nurses themselves! Our goal is for all attendees to leave the convention with new knowledge, newfound confidence, and new ideas. And who best to embody our theme than our own membership of inspiring nurses?!

Our theme outlines the three topic categories for which we are seeking presentations. **Inspire:** How can we inspire our fellow nurses? Topics related to self-care and mental health, leadership, staff retention, and more are encouraged. **Empower:** Empowerment means many things, from starting a side hustle to effecting legislation to financial literacy. Empower your colleagues with your expertise. **Innovate:** As the world rapidly changes, so too does nursing and technology. Innovative ideas and practices offer new solutions to old problems.

### Suggested Topics

#### INSPIRE

- Mental Health and self-care
- Leadership in Nursing
- Staff Retention
- Operating Local BNRF Chapters

#### EMPOWER

- Starting a Side Hustle
- Legislation and Health Policy
- Public Health
- Grant Writing
- Self-Advocacy

#### INNOVATE

- Healthcare Technology and Nursing Informatics
- Electronic Health Records
- Innovative Care Delivery Models







## SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

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Thank you for your interest in participating as a speaker at the 2023 BNRF Convention. The convention will take place at the Silver Legacy Resort Casino in Reno, NV from March 1-4, 2023. Please review the links below for the speaker proposal guidelines and convention information.

**Equipment:** We will supply a computer, projector, screen, or any basic AV needs you've requested in your proposal submission. Additional AV needs will be at your own expense and must be requested in writing no later than Feb 1st, 2023. No additional AV requests will be honored at the convention site.

**Presentation Copy:** Please bring a digital copy of the presentation on a flash drive with you as back up.

**Hotel Accommodations:** As a speaker, you are responsible for your own transportation and convention registration. More information about registration will be provided by email and on the BNRF website.

**Shipping:** Presenters are responsible for the cost of shipping class displays, teaching aids, samples, etc. to and from the convention site.

### Compensation

All accepted speakers will receive a registration discount equivalent to one night of hotel costs.

### Review and Selection Process

Proposals will be reviewed by the program planning team for consideration. Please contact Lindsay Abeln at [lindsay.abeln@internationalamc.com](mailto:lindsay.abeln@internationalamc.com) with any questions.

1. Additional information may be requested
2. All applicants will be notified of acceptance or decline of their proposal by an e-mail sent from BNRF staff. If accepted, presenters will receive an e-mailed Speaker Agreement form from [lindsay.abeln@internationalamc.com](mailto:lindsay.abeln@internationalamc.com).
3. Workshops, lectures, panel, and roundtable presenters will be notified on or around January 6, 2023; Posters Presentations will be notified on or around January 15, 2023

(notification dates subject to change)

### Additional Policies

Additional policies, including cancelation policy, will be included in the Speaker Agreement.





## PROPOSAL APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

This section will help you complete your proposal. Each section corresponds to a section on the proposal form (next page).

### Speaker Information

Please write your name you would like it to appear in Convention Program

### Session Title

It should intrigue and inform - Limit of 7-8 words.

### Session Description

300 words describing the purpose of your session, how you would interact with attendees, and highlight any benefits to BNRN members. \*\*

### Learning Outcomes\*

Learning Outcomes are actions that the participant will be able to take as a result of taking this session. The number and complexity of the Learning Outcomes are determined by the presenter and should reflect the proposed Educational Level of the session. Actions are **measurable or observable**. "Learn" and "understand" are not actions.

Examples of stated Learning Outcomes:

- Participants will be able to:
- List five self-care strategies.
- Identify the legal documents required for becoming a 501c3 organization.
- Describe strategies of effective communication between charge nurses in relation to patient throughput.

\*Submissions for Poster Presentations may leave this section blank.

### Biographical Sketch

75 words highlighting your experience and credentials. Your bio will appear with your session description in the Convention Program and on BNRN's website, [www.blacknursesrock.net](http://www.blacknursesrock.net). \*\*

### Professional Headshot

Please submit a professional color headshot in .jpeg, .png, or tiff format, minimum 300 dpi. This will be used in convention promotion and marketing if you are selected to present.

### Session Format

We have three formats available for you to choose from:

- 1 hour workshop/lecture:** This is your opportunity to take the stage and present your topic to attendees
- 1 hour panel discussion or roundtable:** Team up with your colleagues as part of a roundtable discussion
- Poster Presentation in the Exhibit Hall:** Have you recently completed a thesis or doctoral dissertation or another research project? Share that with members with a presentation board in the exhibit hall.

### Topic Category

Indicate whether your proposed session fits into Inspire, Empower, or Innovate

### Evidence-Based References

Please provide references and an explanation of your expertise in the proposed subject matter.

\*\*Materials subject to editing.

Please complete one (1) Speaker Proposal Application Form for each proposed session. You may complete the application electronically by [CLICKING HERE](#). If you prefer to use the paper form (next page), please submit your application and any supporting documents by email to [lindsay.abeln@internationalamc.com](mailto:lindsay.abeln@internationalamc.com)

**Completed Proposals are due December 15, 2022**





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### **Speaker Information**

Name:

Credentials:

Email:

### **Professional Headshot:**

Please include a professional color headshot in .jpeg or tiff format, minimum 300 dpi as an attachment with your proposal submission.

### **Session Information**

Session Format:

Topic Category:

Evidence-Based References/Expertise specific to proposal:

### **Biographical Sketch (75 words):**

### **Session Title:**

**Session Description (300 words) or Abstract (for poster presentations):**

**Learning Outcomes (3):**

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