

# 2026 South Dakota Center for Nursing Workforce Symposium Event Agenda

Wednesday, April 29, 2026 at 8:30am CT - 3:45pm CT

**i** All times listed in Central Time (US & Canada).

## Wednesday, April 29, 2026

8:30am - 9:00am

**Registration**

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9:05am - 10:30am

**South Dakota's Workforce Supply and Education Capacity**

Lindsay Olson, MS, RN, CNP, Program Director, SDCNW; and Bryan Wermers, MSN, RN, CNP, Associate Director of Education, SDBON

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10:30am - 11:00am

**Networking Break**

Network with your fellow nursing leaders who will be attending and speaking throughout the day

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11:00am - 12:00pm

**Reclaiming Joy: The Heart Work of Nursing Leadership**

Kathryn Shaffer, EdD, RN, MSN, CNE, Director of Innovation, Associate Professor, Thomas Jefferson University

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12:00pm - 1:00pm

**Lunch**

At-table lunch

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1:00pm - 2:00pm

**Transformational Belonging: Leading with Connection and Courage**

Kathryn Shaffer, EdD, RN, MSN, CNE, Director of Innovation, Associate Professor, Thomas Jefferson University

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2:00pm - 2:15pm

**15-Minute Break**

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2:15pm - 3:30pm

**Panel: Legislative Updates with Q&A**

Moderated by Deb Fischer Clemens, RN, SDNA President; Panel Members: Sydney Davis, CRNA, Senator; Taylor Rehfeldt, CRNA, Representative; Jean Hunhoff, RN, Former Senator & Representative; and Melissa Magstadt, CNP, Secretary of Health

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3:30pm - 3:45pm

**Closing Remarks & Evaluation**