

2026 FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

NOVEMBER 12-13 | DULUTH, MN



PRE-CONFERENCE | Wednesday, November 11

3:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Attendee Registration Check-In	Harbor Side Ballroom Lobby
3:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Exhibitor Check-In & Setup	Harbor Side Ballroom Foyer

AGENDA DAY ONE | Thursday, November 12

6:30 AM – 7:00 AM	Exhibitor Set Up	Harbor Side Ballroom Foyer
7:00 AM – 8:00 AM	Attendee Registration Check-In Breakfast – <i>provided</i> Exhibitor Networking	Harbor Side Ballroom Lobby Horizon Room Harbor Side Ballroom Foyer
8:00 AM – 8:30 AM	MOLN Organizational Update <i>Melissa Fritz DNP, RN, ACNS-BC, CENP, FAONL, MOLN President & Elizabeth Keating DNP, RN, MOLN Treasurer</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM	The Last Mile of Healthcare <i>Bonnie Clipper DNP, MA, RN, CENP, FAAN</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom
10:00 AM – 10:45 AM	Networking Break/Visit Exhibits	Harbor Side Ballroom Foyer
10:45 AM – 10:50 AM	Professional Development Update <i>Lucy Furlong DNP, RN, NE-BC & Bridget Slusarek DNP, MBA, RN</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom
10:50 AM – 11:00 AM	Mentorship Update <i>Stephanie Johnson MA, RN, NE-BC</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	Wise Practices for Caring Safely <i>Lisa Juliar</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom
11:30 AM – 12:15 PM	More Than a Story: Patients as Partners in Caring Safely <i>Lisa Juliar (Facilitator), Dan Berg & Welcome Jerdee, Lisa Keitel, and Ronn Lehmann</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom
12:15 PM – 1:15 PM	Luncheon Mentor/Mentee Lunch Exhibitor Networking	Horizon Room Harbor Side Room 202 Harbor Side Ballroom Foyer
1:15 PM – 1:30 PM	Policy & Advocacy Update <i>Kathryn Hoehn MAN, BAN, RN, MS-BC</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom
1:30 PM – 2:30 PM	<u>BREAKOUT SESSIONS</u>	
	A. From Silos to Synergy: Building a Shared Language Between Nursing Leadership & Finance Presenter: <i>Maria Raines, DNP, APRN, ACNS-BC, CENP</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom
	B. Supporting Staff Through Workplace Violence Events in Healthcare Presenters: <i>Beckie Thrush MSN, RN-BC, Jonathan Johnson MHA, BSN, RN, Julie Lynch Weegman RN, MA, NE-BC and Max Barry-Ristow RN, MSN</i>	Horizon Room

2:30 PM – 3:00 PM	Networking Break/Visit Exhibits	Harbor Side Ballroom Foyer
3:00 PM – 3:15 PM	Membership Update <i>Diane Bankers MSN, RN</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom
	MONL Bylaws <i>Melissa Fritz DNP, RN, ACNS-BC, CENP, FAONL, MOLN President</i>	
3:15 PM - 4:00 PM	Beyond Digitization: Leading the Intelligent Healthcare Organization <i>Samantha Glennon MSN, RN, NEA-BC & Bridget Slusarek DNP, MBA, RN</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom
4:00 – 4:45 PM	Networking Break Visit Exhibits Poster Viewing Session <i>Poster presenters will be at their displays to address questions from attendees</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom Foyer Harbor Side Ballroom Lobby
4:45 PM	Evening On Your Own	

AGENDA DAY TWO | Friday, November 13

7:00 AM - 7:50 AM	Attendee Check-In Breakfast – <i>provided</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom Foyer Horizon Room
7:50 AM – 8:00 AM	Welcome & Announcements	Harbor Side Ballroom
8:00 AM – 8:10 AM	Research/Scholarship Update <i>Pauline Abraham DNP, RN</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom
8:10 AM - 9:40 AM	Healthy Conflict: Turning Constructive Tension into Commitment <i>Maya Yankelevich Garza, PhD</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom
9:40 AM – 9:50 AM	Networking Break	Harbor Side Ballroom Foyer
9:50 AM - 10:00 AM	Marketing/Communications Update <i>Amie Walsh MHA, RN, BS, BA, ONC</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	From Burnout to Belonging: Wellbeing as Leadership Infrastructure <i>Nancy O'Brien</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Reset and Realign <i>Karri Sturm</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM	Luncheon	Horizon Room
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	The Healing Power of Humor <i>Gil Mann</i>	Harbor Side Ballroom
2:00 PM	Adjourn	

**Mark your calendars for the
2027 Spring Conference – April 29-30
at the Minneapolis Marriott Northwest in Minneapolis, MN.
Watch the MOLN website for details!**