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Challenging Healthcare Corporatization and Consolidation: Protecting Community Care and Work

Tentative Agenda

**Presenters are subject to change without notice*

Thursday, April 25

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| 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. | Registration |
| 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. | Congressional Staff Briefing on Violence Prevention and Hill Visits |
| 11:00 a.m. – noon
[Contact Hours: 1.0] | Legislative Update on Workplace Violence
Jordan Barab, Senior Labor Policy Advisor at House Committee on Education and Labor
Maria Costigan, Legislative Assistant, Congressman Joe Courtney (CT-02)

Moderator: John Brady, Vice President, AFT Connecticut |
| noon – 2:00 p.m. | Hill Visits
Earl Hadley, Associate Director, AFT Government Relations

Box Lunch |
| 2:15 p.m. | Opening Welcome
Candice Owley, AFTVP and President, Wisconsin Federation of Nurses and Health Professionals |
| 2:30 p.m. | Keynote Address: Facing the Challenge
Randi Weingarten, AFT President |
| 3:15 p.m. | Fund our Future: The Fight to Invest in Public Services: 2020 and the Fight to Invest in Public Services
John Ost, Director, AFT Political |
| 4:00 p.m. | Year in Review: The Year Ahead
Candice Owley, AFTVP and President, Wisconsin Federation of Nurses and Health Professionals |
| 5:00 p.m. | Adjourn

Dinner on your own |
| 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. | Reception |

Friday, April 26

- 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast
- 8:00 a.m. – noon Registration
- 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Healthcare Corporatization and the Impact on Care, our Work and our Bargaining Power
- Eileen Appelbaum, Co-Director, Center for Economic and Policy Research
Emily R. Gee, Health Economist, Health Policy, Center for American Progress
Kyle Arnone, Deputy Director, AFT Research and Strategic Initiative
- Moderator: Anne Goldman, Vice President of Private Sector & Non-NYC DOE Members
- 10:30 a.m. – 10:45 p.m. Break
- 10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Workshops I [Contact Hours: 1.5]
- Approaches for Effective Labor Management Committees
Peter Lazes, Director of Health Programs, CUNY School of Labor and Urban Studies
Katie Ekstrom, Vice President, Oregon Federation of Nurses and Health Professionals
 - Bargaining Strategies for Challenging Corporatization
John Brady, Vice President, AFT Connecticut
Kyle Arnone, Deputy Director, AFT Research and Strategic Initiatives
 - Impact of Student Debt on Health Professions
Melanie Myers, Assistant Director, AFT Research and Strategic Initiatives
Annabel Tores, Labor Relations Organizer, Oregon Nurses Association
Elizabeth Gerneroy, Organizer, Oregon Nurses Association
 - The Opioid Crisis: Responding to Our Members Needs
Michael Blue, Public Employees Federation
Carol Mallia, Nursing Associate Director, Massachusetts Nurses Association
Sara Markle-Elder, Assistant Director, AFT Nurses and Health Professionals
- 12:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. Luncheon: Moral Injury or Nurse Burnout: Raising our Voice
[Contact Hours: 1.0]
Moderator: Adrienne Enghouse, President, Oregon Federation of Nurses and Health Professionals
- 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Workshops II [Contact Hours: 1.5]
- Creating a Culture of Membership Post-Janus
Jessica Rutter, AFT Legal
Eric Lehto, National Representative, AFT Organizing and Field Services
 - Disasters, Diseases and Despair: The Impact of Climate Change and the Impact on Public Health
Charlotte Brody, RN, Vice President Health Initiatives, Blue Green Alliance
 - The Employers Role in Providing Regulatory Education Program
Sally Corbo, Ed.S, RN, APN, C, CNAA, AFT Consultant, and President, Epicare Associates, Inc.

- Minimizing the Risks of Working with Hazardous Drugs and Substances
Darryl Alexander, AFT Consultant

3:45 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Solving the Staffing Crisis in Healthcare

Denise Duncan, President, United Nurses Associations of California/Union of Health Care Professionals
Ethan Miller, Research and Outreach Manager, Department of Public Employees, AFL-CIO
Julie Pinkham, Executive Director, Massachusetts Nurses Association

Moderator: Adrienne Enghouse, President, Oregon Federation of Nurses and Health Professionals
Ann Twomey, AFTVP

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

POWER TO HEAL: Medicare and the Civil Rights Revolution

Dinner on Your Own

Saturday, April 27

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

Breakfast

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Workshops III

- Building Effective Policy Campaigns for Safe Care and Safe Work
Tara Goode, BA, BSN, RN, Director of Organizing, Washington State Nurses Association
- Resiliency from Trauma for Healthcare Workers
Jonathan Rosen, MS, CIH, Safety and Health Consultant, A.J. Rosen & Associates, LLC
- Following the Money: Untangling Hospital Finances
Bridget Devane, Director of Public Policy, Health Professionals and Allied Employees (HPAE)
Haley Quinn, Senior Associate, AFT Nurses and Health Professionals
- Promoting Nursing Professional Development with Continuing Education Programs
Sally Corbo, Ed.S, RN, APN, C, CNAA, AFT Consultant, and President, Epicare Associates, Inc.

10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Building a Healthcare System for All: State and National Strategies for Health Access and Equity

Karen Pollitz, Senior Fellow, Kaiser Family Foundation
Georges C. Benjamin, MD, MACP, FACEP (E), FNAPA, Executive Director, American Public Health Association
Anthony Wright, Executive Director, Health Access California
Alexis Rean-Walker, Secretary-Treasurer, Health Professionals and Allied Employees

Facilitator: Frederika McClary, Director Healthcare Organizing, AFT Organizing and Field Services

12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Closing Comments and COPE Raffle/Box Lunches/Adjourn