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ANATP/BNATP Monthly Update
November 2026

1. I have received emails stating that long-term care clinical partners are being "tagged" for using the four-corner washcloth cleaning method for perineal care. This is not the case. The citations for perineal care were for contamination, not for technique. IDPH does not critique technique—only results.

2. The Medication Aide program curriculum has gone through Public First Notice for comments. It is now in Second Notice for 45 days. This notice period will end December 15th. Once second notice is completed and any public comments have been addressed, it will go to the Secretary of State's office to be published into law. If all goes well, it will be in place, and you will be able to apply in February 2027.

3. I will need ten existing BNATPs to pilot the first class or two to ensure validity of the curriculum and the certification exam. Programs must have been in operation for at least five years with a first-time pass rate on the CNA certification exam of at least 90%. You may send your interest to me at any time. Decisions on which programs will be able to apply for this will be made in January 2027.



Connecting Every Piece: Knowledge. Skill. Practice. Purpose.
Save the Date: April 22 & 23, 2027
Location: Northfield Inn, Suites & Conference Center, Springfield, IL

About

Every successful CNA begins with a puzzle of interconnected pieces. Knowledge. Skill. Practice. Purpose.

The 2027 Illinois CNA Instructor Conference will explore how educators bring these pieces together to create meaningful learning experiences and prepare students for success in today's healthcare environment.

Call for proposals

We're looking for presenters who can help attendees strengthen one or more pieces of the educational journey through innovative teaching strategies, classroom success stories, clinical insights, leadership lessons and creative approaches to student learning.

Submit your proposal.

Submission deadline: Monday November 30 by 4:30 pm.

**Please share this email with anyone who would have an interest in attending and/or presenting at this event.

As always, do not hesitate to call or email with questions.

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