

**National Association of State Veterans Homes
Winter Conference
Crystal Gateway Marriott - Arlington, VA
February 5 - February 8, 2024
Agenda**

Day	Date	Time	Item/ Topic	Speaker	CEU's
Sun.	2/4/24		Travel Day for Executive Committee		
Mon.	2/5/24		Travel Day for Members		
		9:00 - 11:30	Executive Committee Meeting Open to all Association Members	Tracy Schaner NASVH President	
		11:30 - 1:00	Lunch - Executive Committee Only		
		1:00 - 4:00	Conference Registration		
		1:00 - 2:00	NASVH Administrators Update	Ed Harries NASVH 1st Vice President	1
		2:00 - 4:00	Liaison Committee Meeting Open to all Association Members	Melissa A. Jackson, MBA, LNHA, FACHCA Chairman, Liaison Committee Dr. Catherine Kelso, Deputy Executive Director Geriatrics and Extended Care Dr. Rhonda Toms, National Director - Facility Based Care Programs	
		4:00 - 5:00	Regional Meetings	Regional Directors	
		5:00 - 6:00	Standing Committee Meetings	Individual Chairs	
		6:00	Welcome Reception		
	8:00 - 10:00	Networking Reception - Room 1728			
Tues.	2/6/24	7:00 - 8:00	Breakfast Buffet	Atrium	
		8:00 - 5:00	Conference Registration		
		8:00 - 8:15	Welcome and Opening Ceremonies	Tracy Schaner NASVH President	
		8:15 - 9:45	A Life Safety Review for State Veterans Home	Allen B. Beebe Project Manager for Life Safety Ascellon Corporation	1.5
		9:45 - 10:00	Break		
		10:00 - 11:00	Overview of 2024 VA Initiatives	Denis R. McDonough Secretary of Veterans Affairs	1
		11:00 - 11:30	Catastrophic Disability Eligibility, Form Submission: How SVHs Assist in the Process	1. Mr. Terrence Smith, Acting Director - Health Eligibility Center 2. Ms. Amanda Scully, Deputy Director - Health Eligibility Center 3. Ms. Cheylanda Griffith, Supervisory Management Analyst - Health Eligibility Center Veterans Health Administration	0.5
		11:30 - 1:00	LUNCH Lifetime Achievement Award Presentation: John LaSpina, BVL Chairman	Atrium	

1:00 - 2:30	<p>VA Updates:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. State Home Per Diem Program Update 2. State Home Construction Grant Program Update 3. State Veterans Homes VA Survey Review 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Colette Alvarez, Chief - State Home Per Diem Program 2. Emmanuel Onyeobia, Program Specialist - Facility Based Care Programs 3. Valarie Delanko, Supervisory, SVH Program Manager for Quality & Oversight Office of Geriatrics & Extended Care (GEC) 	1.5
2:30 - 2:45	Break		
2:45 - 3:30	Cognitive Behavioral Care in Older Adults PTSD & Other Post-Trauma Related Symptoms	Dr. Kelly O'Malley, Clinical Director - CLC Mental Health Consultation-Liaison Service VA Boston Healthcare System	0.75
3:30 - 4:30	The 2024 Legislative Update & NASVH Initiatives	Peter Dickinson Legislative Consultant Fred Sganga, FACHE NASVH Legislative Officer	1
4:30 - 6:00	NASVH Business Meeting	Tracy Schaner NASVH President	
6:00 - 6:15	Closing Comments for the Day	Tracy Schaner NASVH President	
8:00 - 10:00	NASVH Networking Reception Sponsored by Powerlink Room1728		

Wed.	2/7/24	9:00 - 5:00	Capitol Hill Visits		
		1:00 - 3:30	<p style="text-align: center;">Chief Financial Officers Breakout Meeting Topics: Pension & Fiduciary Services Service-Connected Veterans – Costs Covered Under the Per Diem Construction Update Sharing Agreements - Update Nurse Retention Grant – Update Catastrophically Disabled – Medication New Survey Focus – State Home / Subcontractor Cannot Bill for Services Covered Under the Service-Connected Per Diem Forms Update State Home Care Agreements (SHCA) Proposed Staffing Mandate for CMS Certified Homes</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Pat D. Rocco, Jr. Chief Financial Officer Long Island State Veterans Home Jason McArthur Chief Financial Officer Westcare Management, Inc Oregon State Veterans Home Terry Westhoff Chief Financial Officer Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs</p>	
		5:00 - 7:00	<p style="text-align: center;">NASVH Legislator of the Year Award Presentation Sponsored By Accora Care</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Capitol Hill: House VA Committee Hearing Room Cannon House Office Bldg Rm 360</p>	

Thur.	2/8/2024	7:00 - 8:00	Breakfast Buffet	Atrium	
		8:00 - 9:00	Black Tie Service and Hospitality - Engaging Employees and Clients	Bob Pacanovsky Hospitality and Customer Service Expert	1
		9:00 - 9:15	Break		
		9:15 - 10:15	Black Tie Service and Hospitality - Engaging Employees and Clients Part 2	Bob Pacanovsky Hospitality and Customer Service Expert	1
		10:15 - 10:30	Break		
		10:30 - 11:30	2024 Changes to Nursing Home Care Compare Staffing QM based on PDPM	Dana Ritchie, CAE Associate Vice President of Constituency Services & Workforce American Health Care Association	1
		11:30 - 1:00	Lunch		
		1:00 - 2:00	Anatomy of a Cyberattack	Dennis O'Connell Director of Healthcare Services Custom Computer Specialists	1
		2:00 - 2:30	Veterans Health Administration Update - Future of Veterans Long Term Care	Dr. Shereef Elnahal Under Secretary for Health	0.5
		2:30 - 3:00	VA Pre-Need Eligibility	Lawrence Provost Outreach Officer National Cemetery Administration	0.5
		3:00 - 3:15	Break		
		3:15 - 3:45	Pension and Fiduciary Services	1. Garrison Pietrowiak, Assistant Director of Business Operations - VBA Pension and Fiduciary Service 2. Travis Jones, Management and Program Analyst - VBA Pension and Fiduciary Services	0.5
		3:45 - 4:15	SVH Construction Grant Challenges and Opportunities COVID & BABAA	(Post- Ross Davidson, Associate Executive Director - VA Office of Facilities Planning Construction and Facilities Management	0.5
		4:15 - 4:45	Report from Capitol Hill Visits	Fred Sganga, FACHE NASVH Legislative Officer	
		4:45 - 5:00	Closing Ceremonies	Tracy Schaner NASVH President	
Fri.	2/9/24		Travel Day		
Total CEU's					13.25