

Association of Child Neurology Nurses Annual Conference
Wednesday, October 14th, 2026-Friday, October 16th, 2026
Montréal, Québec, Canada, at the Palais des Congrès de Montréal

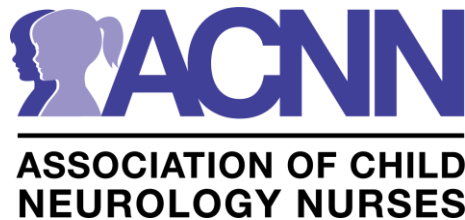
Wednesday, October 14th, 2026

8:00am-8:10am	Welcome and Opening Remarks	Rasha Srouji, DNP, CPNP, CNRN
8:10am-9:30am	Keynote Address: Strength Based Nursing Model	Laurie N. Gottlieb, RN, PhD
9:30am-10:30am	Leading Change: Preparing Teams for Pediatric Neuroscience Care	Katelyn Beam, CRNP-PC/AC Veronica Zielinski, MSN, RN, ACCNS-P, CPN Caitlin Keiter, MSN, RN, NEA-BC
10:30am-10:45am	Break	
10:45am-11:45am	Pediatric Neurology Workforce	Tara Pezzuto, DNP, APRN-BC, PNP
11:45am-12:30pm	Lunch	
12:30pm-1:15pm	Updates in U.S. Newborn Screening for Neuromuscular Diseases	Samantha Weaver, DNP, CRNP, CPNP-AC, AGN-BC
1:15pm-2:00pm	From Idea to Implementation: A Novel Approach to Delivering Cerliponase Alfa	Taylor Schwab BSN, RN, CPN, AMB-BC Jennifer Momot, BSN, RN, CPN



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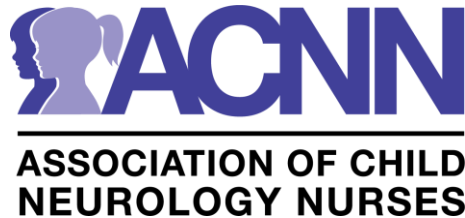
2:00pm-3:00pm	A Practical Nursing Framework Used in Identification and Care in Autism	Tuba Rashid-Khan, MD, MPH, Ed.M
Thursday, October 15th, 2026		
8:00am-8:10	Opening Remarks	Beck Reyes, MSN, CPNP, CNRN
8:10am-9:10am	Kathy O'Hara Memorial Address "The Grieving Brain: How Grief Shapes Family Functioning in Pediatric Epilepsy"	Maria Zak, BScN, MN, NP
9:10am-10:00am	Impact of Social Determinants on Pediatric Epilepsy Surgery Referrals	Christiana Peterson, BA, BSN, RN Mary Wingert, MSN, RN, CPN Aymee Steidl, MSN, MA, RN
10:00am-10:15am	Break	
10:15am-11:00am	Interdisciplinary EEG Monitoring Pathway for Children with Behavioral issues	Veronica Zielinski, MSN, RN, ACCNS-P, CPN Katelyn Beam, CRNP-PC/AC Caitlin Keiter, MSN, RN, NEA-BC
11:00am-11:45am	Feasibility of a 12-Week Self-Management Intervention for Adolescent Headache	Suzy Mascaro Walter, PhD, APRN, FNP-BC, CNRN
11:45am-12:45pm	Lunch	



12:45pm-1:30pm	Maximizing RN Scope of Practice in Ambulatory Pediatric Neurology	Emilia Spalding, BSN, RN, PHN, CNRN
1:30pm-2:30pm	Vestibular disorders in children with dizziness: A nursing approach	Kate Mysak, MS, RN, CPNP, CNRN

Friday, October 16th, 2026

8:00am-9:30am	Epilepsy Management with the VNS: Latest Updates and Skills Workshop	Susanna Fenstermacher, MSN, ARNP, CPNP-PC
9:30am-10:15am	Building a Neuromuscular Gene Therapy Program: Lessons Learned	Crystal Walker, RN, MSN, CPNP-PC Misty Ledbetter, RN, CPN
10:15am-10:30am	Break	
10:30am-11:15am	Understanding Diagnostic and Treatment Updates in Neurofibromatosis Type 2	Racheal Bingham, DNP, CPNP-PC, CPON
11:15am-12:00pm	Setting an Advocacy Agenda for Children living with Neurological Disease	Scott Turner, APRN, DNP, FAHS
12:00pm-12:45 pm	Lunch	
12:45pm-1:15pm	Awards Ceremony and Business Meeting	Deanna Duggan, DNP, APRN, CPNP-PC, PMHS Rasha Srouji DNP, CPNP, CNRN
1:15pm-2:00pm	Supporting Transition to Adult Neurology Care	Jennifer A. Disabato, DNP, CPNP-PC, AC



2:00pm-3:00pm

Poster Presentations

Low Glycemic Index Diet
and Vestibular Migraine
Frequency and Severity

Kate Mysak, MS, RN, CPNP,
CNRN

Understanding Rett
Syndrome: Diagnosis,
Clinical Care, and Emerging
Therapies

Emily Wignall, MSN, CRNP,
FNP-BC

A Warm-Handoff Epilepsy
Transition Clinic

Jennifer A. Disabato, DNP,
CPNP-PC, AC

Depression Screening for
Pediatric Epilepsy: A Quality
Improvement Initiative

Jennifer Hubbard, DNP,
CPNP-AC



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