

2700 Emergency nurses and allied emergency professionals gather for continuing education, as well as the opportunity to discuss hot topics, best practices, and issues related to national and local emergency nursing

DES PLAINES, Ill., Sept. 16, 2013 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- The Emergency Nurses Association (ENA) will host its Annual Conference Sept. 19-21 at the Gaylord Opryland Hotel and Convention Center in Nashville, Tenn.

Three prestigious national speakers will be featured as well as continuing education sessions for emergency nurses:

- *New York Times* best-selling author and Food Network personality **Chef Jeff Henderson** will open Thursday at 1:15 pm with a keynote address about the Power of Potential and his inspiring journey from incarcerated street criminal to award-winning chef and author.

- U.S. Health and Human Services Director of National Preparedness, **David Marcozzi, M.D.**

, a former member of the White House National Security Staff, will speak at 8 am on Friday

. He will discuss new paths toward Emergency Preparedness.

- Journalist **Lee Woodruff** will close the conference sessions on Saturday at 4:15 pm with a compelling discussion about supporting her husband, ABC news anchor Bob Woodruff

, after he was hit with a bomb in Iraq

Key educational sessions will include a first-hand review of emergency procedures and pitfalls during the Boston Bombings and the San Francisco Asiana Airlines plane crash in San

Francisco

Increases in the incidence of violence against healthcare workers, will also be highlighted.

Hands-on clinical nursing laboratories are a unique mainstay at each ENA Annual Conference, in which nurses can practice intubation and other procedures at an on-site cadaver lab, perform ultrasounds, dress wounds, and practice suturing and splinting techniques.

"Our Annual Conference in Nashville provides continuing education for our emergency nurses, who have to think on their feet, and make quick, decisive calls each and every day," said 2013 ENA President, JoAnn Lazarus, MSN, RN, CEN. "We support them through our mission and work, so they are able to help advance nursing practice, and provide the best quality of care to their patients."

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