



2021 UPCRA Spring Conference

Save The Date!

Thursday Evening, September 16th 5:00pm-10:00pm
& Friday, September 17th 8:00am-4:30pm
Sioux Falls, SD

Featuring: Information about vaping, ITPs, program certification, reimbursement, wellness coaching, interstitial lung disease, medications, and more!

National Speakers:



Gayla Oakley is the Director of Cardiology Services and Prevention at the Boone County Health Center in Albion, Nebraska. She has been active in the Nebraska Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation Network (NCVPRN) and held many leadership roles including President. Gayla serves on the AACVPR Board of Directors as secretary and is the editor of News and Views. She continues to serve on the senior leadership team for AACVPR program certification. Her list of accomplishments includes; AACVPR master fellow, AACVPR distinguished service award, Certified Cardiac Rehab Professional (CCRP), March of Dimes Excellence in Nursing Award, and the NCVPRN Distinguished Member Award.



Pat McKone, Senior Director – Health Promotions and Public Policy - American Lung Association, has worked with lung health programming for over forty years. Ms. McKone's work has included tobacco cessation programs for adults and youth, limiting youth access to tobacco, public and school-based education, raising awareness of the impact of tobacco in those with mental illness and/or substance abuse disorders, as well as advocacy around limiting exposure to second hand smoke, smoke free housing, point of sale, and e-cigarettes. Pat founded the Leadership Academy, a statewide partnership between mental health substance abuse and tobacco control leaders in Minnesota working together over the past three years to address disparities related to tobacco in these populations.

Hotel Accommodations:

Hilton Garden Inn Sioux Falls South

Address: 5300 South Grand Circle, Sioux Falls, SD 57108

Booking Option 1

Step 1: Go to www.siouxfalls.hgi.com

Step 2: Select Dates Sept 16-17

Step 3: Click Special Rates and Type **UPCRA2** in the Group Code box

Step 4: Select Room Type

Step 5: Complete the booking process with Name, Address and Credit Card to reserve and you're all set!

Booking Option 2

Call **605-444-4500** and mention UPCRA Annual Conference Room Block and the dates.

Blocked rooms are available through **August 26, 2021** for the discounted rate of **\$119 +tax**.

Don't miss out on this great networking event to help keep your program up to date!

This Event brought to you by the UPCRA Education Committee:

Deb Brekke, Darcy Ellefson, Theresa Ferdinand, Marlys Fisher, Naomi Jacobson, Teri Kavanaugh, Kindal Malehorn, Julie Rood, Dave Ukestad & Ashley Wendler