



**UTC School of Nursing's Eighth Annual Culturally Inclusive Care Conference:
Rural Health**

March 5, 2024: 9:00am – 3:30pm

9:00am – 9:10am — Welcome and Introduction: A Picture of Local Rural Health Disparities

- Amber Roache, DNP, FNP-BC, Assistant Professor, Coordinator of Nurse Practitioner Program, School of Nursing, UT Chattanooga; Principal Investigator, CANDL Grant
- Farron Kilburn, MA, Project Manager, School of Nursing, UT Chattanooga

9:10am – 10:10am – The Challenges of Providing Maternal Healthcare in Rural America

- Stephen K Hunter, MD, PhD, Professor: Maternal-Fetal Medicine, Co-Director, Iowa Statewide Perinatal Care Program, University of Iowa Hospitals & Clinics

10:10am – 11:00am – Use of Telehealth and APRNs to Address Disparities in Rural Health Care

- Carole R. Myers, PhD, RN FAAN, Professor Emerita, College of Nursing, University of Tennessee

11:00 – 11:05 – Break

11:05am – 12:00pm – Pain Management and the Opioid Use Disorder in Rural America

- Kristin Schuller, PhD, MHA, Associate Professor, Towson University

12:00pm – 12:30pm – Lunch Break

**12:30pm – 1:05pm – Providing Healthcare as a Locum Tenens Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner:
Where/What are the Needs & Implications for Primary Care Nurse Practitioners**

- Mary Hoft, DNP, MA, PMHNP-BC, Independent Contractor, Locum Tenens, Southern Maine Health Care

1:05pm – 1:30pm – Engaging Communities in Rural Areas

- Stephanie Blaine, M.Ed., Project Manager, School of Nursing, UT Chattanooga

1:30pm – 2:10pm – Cherokee Health, an Overview of Rural Care in Appalachia

- Eboni Winford, PhD, MPH, Director of Research and Health Equity, National Clinical Training and Consulting Director, Licensed Psychologist and Behavioral Health Consultant, Cherokee Health Systems

2:10 – 2:15 – Break

2:15pm – 2:45pm – Caring for Victims of Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence in Rural Areas

- Priscilla Simms-Roberson, DNP, NP-C, SANE-A, Nursing Coordinator, Partnership for Families, Children and Adults; Associate Professor, School of Nursing, UT Chattanooga

2:45pm – 3:15pm – Utilizing Culturally Sensitive Care to Improve Health Disparities in Rural Tennessee

- Robyn Seamon, MA, BSN, RN, CTN-B, Appalachian Healthcare Training & Consulting

3:15 – 3:30pm – Chattanooga Care Connector & Closing Comments, Surveys, and Discussion

- Amber Roache, DNP, FNP-BC, Assistant Professor, Coordinator of Nurse Practitioner Program, School of Nursing, UT Chattanooga; Principal Investigator, CANDL Grant
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