



**52nd Annual Conference
Transcultural Nursing Society
San Antonio, TX
October 14 - 17, 2026**

Conference Location

Embassy Suites by Hilton San Antonio Riverwalk

**125 East Houston Street
San Antonio, TX 78205 USA**

**Transcultural Nursing: Building Bridges for
Global Health Equity**

*The Transcultural Nursing Society has had Special Consultative Status with the
United Nations Economic and Social Council since 2025.*



Welcome Reception

Wednesday, October 14, 2026-5:30-7:30 pm

Conference

Thursday-Saturday, October 14-17, 2026

**Conference Registrations and Gala Dinner Registrations will be accepted
through October 7, 2026**

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San Antonio, TX - October 14-19, 2026

Learning Outcomes - By the end of the conference, participants will be able to:

- ◆ **Analyze global healthcare challenges through the perspectives of culturally diverse nurses and populations.**
- ◆ **Apply transcultural nursing theories and evidence-based models to enhance culturally congruent care.**
- ◆ **Incorporate a transcultural lens in education, research, leadership, and multidisciplinary practice.**
- ◆ **Evaluate ethical frameworks guiding equitable and culturally responsive healthcare.**

Conference Experience

This conference offers an exceptional opportunity to connect with nurses, scholars, and practitioners from around the world who share a commitment to transcultural nursing. As an international gathering, participants bring a rich diversity of cultural perspectives and lived experiences, creating a dynamic environment for learning and collaboration.

Throughout the event, attendees build meaningful relationships, exchange insights, and engage in conversations that deepen understanding of culturally congruent, competent, and equitable healthcare. You'll have the chance to meet and learn from some of the most influential theorists and leaders in the field, while exploring issues that shape practice, research, education, and administration.

Exhibits

Representatives from a variety of organizations will be available to discuss opportunities, share resources, and answer questions. Organizations interested in participating are encouraged to explore remaining sponsorship opportunities.

Contact Hours

An application for contact hours will be submitted for this continuing nursing education activity.

Your Stay at the Conference Hotel:

Embassy Suites by Hilton San Antonio Riverwalk

125 East Houston Street

San Antonio, TX 78205 USA

Staying at the official hotel for the 52nd Annual Transcultural Nursing Society (TCNS) Conference places you at the heart of the event and steps away from one of the most iconic cultural destinations in the United States. The Embassy Suites Riverwalk offers spacious two-room suites, complimentary breakfast, and evening receptions providing comfort and convenience throughout your stay.

Located directly on the San Antonio Riverwalk, the hotel offers immediate access to world-class dining, historic sites, and vibrant entertainment. Whether you're connecting with colleagues, preparing for sessions, or exploring the city, the Embassy Suites serves as the ideal home base for your conference experience. Choosing to stay at the conference hotel also supports TCNS by helping us meet our room block commitments, which keeps future conference costs manageable for all members.

Book Your Hotel Room Early-Before Our Room Block is Sold Out:

<https://www.tcns.org/tcnconferencehotel/>

Roommate Request:

If you are interested in sharing a hotel room, please email staff@tcns.org. We will try and connect you with another interested conference participant.

Travel to San Antonio

San Antonio International Airport (SAT): San Antonio International Airport (SAT) is the primary airport serving the region and the recommended arrival point for the 52nd Annual Transcultural Nursing Society (TCNS) Conference. Located approximately 9 miles from downtown, SAT offers convenient access to the Embassy Suites by Hilton San Antonio Riverwalk and the surrounding Riverwalk district. SAT provides a full range of domestic and limited international flights, making travel easy for attendees arriving from across the United States and around the world.



Ground Transportation to the Conference Hotel:

Rideshare Services: Uber and Lyft operate throughout San Antonio and offer quick, reliable transportation from the airport to the Embassy Suites Riverwalk. Pickup areas are clearly marked outside the terminals, and typical travel time is 15–20 minutes depending on traffic.

Taxi Service: Taxis are available at designated stands outside both terminals. Fares to downtown are generally consistent, and drivers are familiar with the Riverwalk area.

Shuttle and Private Car Services: Several shuttle companies and private car services operate at SAT and can be booked in advance. These options are ideal for attendees traveling in groups or those who prefer a pre-arranged ride.

Rental Cars: All major rental car companies are located in the Consolidated Rental Car Facility directly across from the terminals. While a car is not necessary for enjoying the Riverwalk and downtown area, rental options are available for those planning to explore beyond the city center.

Public Transit (VIA Metropolitan Transit): VIA bus service connects the airport to downtown via Route 5. This is a budget-friendly option, though travel time is longer and may require brief walking once downtown.

Transcultural Nursing Society

Gala Dinner

THURSDAY, October 15, 2026

6:30 - 9:00 pm

Tickets - \$95 each

Advance Ticket Purchase Required by Oct 7th - (Cash Bar Available)



Join us for an evening dedicated to celebrating the accomplishments of transcultural nursing and the ongoing work of the Transcultural Nursing Society. The Gala Dinner is a highlight of the conference, an opportunity for attendees to come together for a festive night of recognition, culture, and community.

Enjoy a warm and welcoming atmosphere featuring a full dinner, the presentation of TCNS awards, and a special cultural performance. This signature event offers the perfect setting to meet new members and participants while reconnecting with friends, colleagues, and long-time supporters of transcultural nursing.

Everyone is invited to share in this memorable evening as we honor excellence, celebrate our global community, and strengthen the relationships that sustain our mission.

What Your Registration Includes

Full conference registration includes the Opening Welcome Reception and continental breakfast on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Please note that the Gala Dinner is not included in the full conference fee.

Additional fees apply for guests who wish to attend the Welcome Reception, Gala Dinner, or breakfast events. Please refer to the registration form for complete details on guest pricing and options.

Conference and Gala Dinner registrations will be accepted through October 7, 2026.

Silent Auction Donations Needed

The Transcultural Nursing Society Foundation is seeking contributions for the annual Silent Auction held during the conference. We welcome a wide variety of cultural, artistic, and educational items. All proceeds directly support Transcultural Nursing Research and Scholarship Funds, helping advance culturally congruent and equitable healthcare worldwide.

If you have questions or would like to donate an item, please contact staff@tcns.org.

The Transcultural Nursing Society is a 501(c)(3) organization and is eligible to accept charitable donations.

SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION

We need your support to make this event the best we can offer. We are seeking donations and sponsorships from educational, health care, and community organizations, along with other related groups that promote, value and support cultural competency within their health-care environment. Sponsorships can be tailored to meet your needs. Nurses and health care professionals from around the globe will have the opportunity to engage in dialogue, learning, and discovery.

If your university, hospital or healthcare system would like to sponsor the Transcultural Nursing Society's conference, the Donor Participation information can be found at:

<https://tcns.org/programsponsors/>

THE MISSION OF THE TRANSCULTURAL NURSING SOCIETY IS TO ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF CULTURALLY CONGRUENT, COMPETENT, AND EQUITABLE CARE THAT RESULTS IN IMPROVED HEALTH AND WELL-BEING FOR PEOPLE WORLDWIDE.



Did you know...

When you join the Transcultural Nursing Society at the same time you register for the conference, you receive a full year of membership benefits, including access to member resources and the discounted member conference rate.

Your total cost is essentially the same as registering as a non-member, but you gain all the advantages of membership for the entire year.



Join the Transcultural Nursing Society (TCNS)

Become part of a global community dedicated to advancing culturally congruent, equitable, and transcultural nursing practice. Whether you are new to the field or a long-time advocate, TCNS offers a professional home where your work, your voice, and your commitment to culturally informed care truly matter.

Join online: <https://tcns.org/membership/>

Why Become a Member?

Membership in TCNS connects you to a vibrant international network of nurses, scholars, educators, and leaders who share a passion for transcultural nursing. As a member, you gain access to resources, relationships, and opportunities that support your growth and amplify your impact.

Your Membership Benefits Include:

- ◆ Six annual issues of the Journal of Transcultural Nursing
- ◆ Online access to all current and past journal issues
- ◆ TCNS Newsletter (twice annually) and monthly e-news updates
- ◆ Discounted registration for annual conferences and regional programs
- ◆ Eligibility for TCNS Scholarships and Awards
- ◆ Eligibility for induction into the TCNS Scholars Program
- ◆ Discounted fees for Certification in Transcultural Nursing (CTN)
- ◆ Opportunities to network, collaborate, and engage with transcultural nursing experts from around the world
- ◆ Transcultural Nursing Member Portal Access, which includes: Member Dashboard, easy renewal, member only programs, mentoring, discussion groups, educational content, resources and much more!

Membership Categories

- **Regular Membership — \$125/year**
 - Open to individuals who are not full-time students or senior members. Regular members receive full benefits, are eligible to vote, and may hold office after three consecutive years of membership.
- **Student Membership — \$75/year**
 - Available to full-time students currently enrolled in coursework. Student members receive full benefits.
 - A copy of a student ID or current class schedule is required and must be provided during the sign-up process.
- **Senior Membership — \$75/year**
 - Available to individuals aged 65 and older. Senior members receive full benefits, are eligible to vote, and may hold office after three consecutive years of membership.

Explore San Antonio

San Antonio is a city rich in culture, history, and vibrant traditions. During your conference stay, take time to experience the Riverwalk, historic missions, local arts districts, and the city's celebrated culinary scene. From Mexican and Indigenous heritage to contemporary arts and music, San Antonio offers something meaningful for every visitor.

For more ideas and up-to-date information on attractions, dining, events, and cultural experiences, explore these official resources:

- Visit San Antonio (CVB): <https://www.visitsanantonio.com>
- San Antonio Riverwalk: <https://www.thesanantonioriverwalk.com>
- UNESCO World Heritage Missions: <https://www.nps.gov/saan/index.htm>

These guides will help you make the most of your time in one of the nation's most culturally dynamic cities.

Optional Activities in San Antonio

Optional pay-as-you-go activities and local excursions are being discussed for the San Antonio area. We anticipate offering lunch outings on Thursday and Friday so participants can enjoy the Riverwalk and nearby cultural districts.

Watch your conference participant emails for updates as details become available.

Schedule of Events

DAY 1 - Wednesday, October 14, 2026

4:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Check-In / Registration

[Posters available online through the Conference App](#)

5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Opening Conference Welcome Reception

End of Day 1

DAY 2 - Thursday, October 15, 2026

Morning

7:30–8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast
Poster Presenters Available During Breakfast

7:30–4:45 p.m. Registration / Information Desk

8:30–10:00 a.m. Welcome Address and Keynote

[10:00–10:15 a.m. Break](#)

10:15–11:00 a.m. Concurrent Session A
Five Breakout Options Available

[11:00–11:15 a.m. Break](#)

11:15–12:00 p.m. Concurrent Session B
Five Breakout Options Available

Midday

12:00–2:00 p.m. Lunch on Your Own or Join a Group
JTCN Editorial Board Lunch (invited)

Afternoon

2:00–2:45 p.m. Concurrent Session C
Five Breakout Options Available

[2:45–3:00 p.m. Break](#)

3:00–3:45 p.m. Concurrent Session D
Five Breakout Options Available

[3:45–4:00 p.m. Break](#)

4:00–4:45 p.m. Concurrent Session E
Five Breakout Options Available

End of Day 2

Gala Dinner \$95.00 Per Ticket

6:30-9:00 p.m. - Seating begins at 6:30 p.m.

Program/Dinner begins at 7:00 p.m.

Advance Ticket Purchase Required - Cash Bar

DAY 3 - Friday, October 16, 2026

Morning

7:30–8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast
Poster Presenters Available During Breakfast

7:30–5:00 p.m. Registration / Information Desk

8:30–10:00 a.m. Scholars Presentation

[10:00–10:15 a.m. Break](#)

DAY 3 - Friday, October 16, 2026 continued

Morning

10:15–11:00 a.m. Concurrent Session F
Five Breakout Options Available

[11:00–11:15 a.m. Break](#)

11:15–12:00 p.m. Concurrent Session G
Five Breakout Options Available

Midday

12:00–2:00 p.m. Lunch on Your Own or Join a Group
TCNS Scholars Lunch Meeting

Afternoon

2:00–2:45 p.m. Concurrent Session H
Five Breakout Options Available

[2:45–3:00 p.m. Break](#)

3:00–3:45 p.m. Concurrent Session I
Five Breakout Options Available

[3:45–4:00 p.m. Break](#)

4:00–4:45 p.m. Concurrent Session J
Five Breakout Options Available

[4:45–5:00 p.m. Break](#)

5:00–6:00 p.m. General Membership Meeting (No CEs provided for this meeting.)

End of Day 3

DAY 4 - Saturday, October 17, 2026

Morning

7:30–8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast
Poster Presenters Available During Breakfast

7:30–12:30 p.m. Registration / Information Desk

8:30–10:00 a.m. JTCN Panel Discussion

[10:00–10:15 a.m. Break](#)

10:15–11:00 a.m. Breakout Panel Presentations

[11:00–11:15 a.m. Break](#)

11:15–12:00 p.m. Concurrent Session K
Five Breakout Options Available

[12:00–12:15 p.m. Break](#)

Closing Sessions

12:15–1:00 p.m. Concurrent Session L
Five Breakout Options Available

[1:00–1:10 p.m. Break](#)

1:10–1:55 p.m. Closing Presentation – Dr. Rebecca Lee

1:55 p.m. Online Evaluations and CE Completion

End of Conference

PLEASE NOTE

*Thursday's lunch meeting from 12:00 - 2:00 pm: The JTCN Editorial Board will hold its lunch meeting during this time. Attendance is by invitation.

**Friday's lunch meeting from 12:00 - 2:00 pm: The TCNS Scholars group will meet for their scheduled lunch gathering. This session is reserved for TCNS Scholars participants.

2026 CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM - San Antonio, TX

Direct Link to Register online: <https://tcns.org/tcnsconferenceregistration/>



Date: _____ Are you presenting at the conference? NO / YES - Oral / Poster -

Please **CLEARLY PRINT/TYPE** your name, credentials (if desired), organization, city and state for conference name tag

Name and Credentials: _____

Organization: _____

City & State: _____

Home Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

*Email Address: (required) _____

Please check here if you **DO NOT** want your name, organization, city and state included on the participant list that will be made available to all conference attendees.

***EMAIL** is the method we will use to contact you regarding this registration and with access to materials for the conference!

PLEASE CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY

FULL CONFERENCE FEES INCLUDE Welcome Reception, Thursday, Friday, Saturday Breakfasts

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Registration	ON or BEFORE August 15	AFTER August 15 to October 7
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TYPE OF REGISTRATION

TCNS Current Member	\$ 550	\$ 575
Non-TCNS Member	\$ 675	\$ 675
*Student TCNS Member	\$ 485	\$ 500
*Student Non-TCNS Member	\$ 575	\$ 575

Gala Dinner Guest Tickets	Cost	Number of Tickets/Days
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Gala Dinner Thursday October 15, 2026	\$95 Per-Person	
Breakfast Guest Tickets, Not Paying Conference Fee *	\$45 Per-Person, *Per-Day	
Welcome Reception Guest Not Paying Conference Fee	\$ 60 Per-Person	

MEMBERSHIP DUES		
Regular TCNS Membership	\$ 125	
Retired TCNS Membership	\$ 75	
*Student TCNS Membership	\$ 75	
TCNS Scholar Dues	\$ 50	

* All student items require proof of full time student status be emailed to staff@tcns.org

ITEMS	Totals
CONFERENCE FEES	
GALA DINNER TICKETS	
GUEST TICKETS: Breakfast/Welcome Reception	
Membership Dues	
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: \$	

PAYMENT OPTIONS

___ CHECK (US DOLLARS ONLY) CHECK AMT. _____ CHECK #: _____

CHECK PAYABLE TO: TRANSCULTURAL NURSING SOCIETY (TCNS)

___ VISA ___ MASTERCARD ___ DISCOVER ___ AMER. EXPRESS

CREDIT CARD #: _____

EXPIRATION: _____ GRAND TOTAL TO BE CHARGED: _____

CREDIT CARD BILLING INFORMATION:

NAME: _____

BILLING ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

CANCELLATIONS & TRANSFERS

I agree to follow all refund, cancellation/transfer of registration policies. Refunds, cancellations, and transfers must be requested in writing and postmarked/emailed BEFORE September 15, 2026. A \$75.00 administration fee is assessed for ALL refunds, cancellations, and transfers. An additional processing fee of \$25 may be imposed for certain transaction fees. Transferred registrations will require a new registration form. All cancellation and refund requests received after September 15, 2026, cannot be accepted. Transfers cannot be guaranteed after September 15, 2026. If you have accepted a presentation for the conference and paid the \$100 deposit, that deposit is non-refundable at any point. The non-refundable presentation deposit is in addition to the refund, cancellation, and transfer fees noted above. No exception to this policy can be made. Thank you for understanding.