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# The Omaha System International Conference

A Key to Practice,  
Documentation, and  
Information Management

**April 16-18, 2009**

Minneapolis/St. Paul  
Minnesota

*Presented by:*  
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University of Minnesota  
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# Registration

## Omaha System International Conference April 16-18, 2009

- ♦ Online registration: <http://www.omahasystem.org/conference.htm>
- ♦ Call: 1-320-202-1831
- ♦ Fax: 1-320-202-1833
- ♦ Mail: Return the completed registration form with full payment to:  
Omaha System International Conference  
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### Please register me for:

- One-day pre-conference \$110 USD (\$125 if postmarked after 3/31)
- Two-day conference \$195 USD (\$220 if postmarked after 3/31)
- Pre-conference plus the conference \$305 USD (\$345 if postmarked after 3/31)

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- Please do NOT list my name/email address in the conference participant list.

### Method of Payment

- Online credit card (<http://www.omahasystem.org/conference.htm>)
- Check enclosed (**Payable to Omaha System International Conference**)

# Conference Information

## Dates and Times

|                        |          |          |                                      |
|------------------------|----------|----------|--------------------------------------|
| <i>Pre-Conference:</i> | Thursday | April 16 | 9:00 am-4:00 pm (Registration: 8:30) |
| <i>Conference:</i>     | Friday   | April 17 | 8:30 am-4:00 pm (Registration: 8:00) |
|                        | Saturday | April 18 | 8:30 am-1:00 pm (Registration: 8:00) |

## Call for Posters

Poster abstracts are due January 30, 2009; notification will be sent by February 23, 2009. Poster presenters must register for the conference. Posters should focus on Omaha System practice, education, research or informatics experiences. Formatting and submission guidelines are on the abstract template at [www.omahasystem.org/sampleabstract.html](http://www.omahasystem.org/sampleabstract.html). Email the abstract to Amy Barton ([amy.barton@ucdenver.edu](mailto:amy.barton@ucdenver.edu)) as a Word attachment.

## Fees

\$110 USD Pre-Conference (\$125 USD if postmarked after March 31): includes handouts, break, and lunch

\$195 USD Conference (\$220 USD if postmarked after March 31): includes handouts, breaks, meals, and UMConnect

If written notice for withdrawal is received by April 1, 2009, you will receive a refund of your registration fee minus a \$35 administrative processing fee. No refunds will be made after that date. You may send a substitute.

## Books

*The Omaha System: A Key to Practice, Documentation, and Information Management* (2nd edition, 2005) will be available (Elsevier price \$59.95 USD + tax, conference price TBD).

## Contact Hours

5.4 Pre-conference; 10.0 Conference

This continuing nursing education activity was approved by the Nebraska Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

## Conference Site & Parking

Eagan Community Center, 1501 Central Parkway, Eagan, MN 55121.  
Phone: 651-675-5550. Free ample parking is available.

## Hotel

A block of rooms is held for conference attendees at Marriott's SpringHill Suites, 3635 Crestridge Dr., Eagan, MN 55122. The hotel is smoke free. Call 651-686-0600 to get the *conference room rate of \$99* until March 25, 2009. State you are attending the Omaha System International Conference. Parking is free.

## Ground Transportation

SpringHill Suites provides free shuttle service for hotel guests between the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, Mall of America, and the hotel (8 miles) and to the Eagan Community Center (1 mile).

# Pre-Conference Session

An all-day pre-conference session on Thursday, April 16, at Eagan Community Center is designed to introduce, describe, and practice using the terms and definitions of the revised Omaha System. Karen S. Martin, RN, MSN, FAAN will conduct "The Basics of the Omaha System" from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.

The workshop is designed for practitioners, managers, administrators, educators, and students who have not attended a basic Omaha System orientation workshop, are assuming the responsibility of teaching others in their agency, organization, or school, or want to attend a refresher session.

## AGENDA

|               |                                   |
|---------------|-----------------------------------|
| 8:30 - 9:00   | Registration                      |
| 9:00 - 9:15   | Welcome and Introductions         |
| 9:15 - 10:45  | Overview of the 2005 Omaha System |
| 10:45 - 10:55 | Break                             |
| 10:55 - 12:30 | Group Practice                    |
| 12:30 - 1:30  | Lunch                             |
| 1:30 - 2:50   | Practice                          |
| 2:50 - 3:00   | Break                             |
| 3:00 - 3:50   | Users and Discussion              |
| 3:50 - 4:00   | Wrap-up; Complete Evaluations     |

## At the conclusion of the workshop, participants will be able to:

1. Describe the three parts of the 2005 Omaha System: Problem Classification Scheme, the Intervention Scheme, and the Problem Rating Scale for Outcomes.
2. Identify benefits of using an organized framework for the practice, documentation, and management of interdisciplinary health care services.
3. Apply the Omaha System accurately to case study client data.
4. Describe at least three types of groups that use the Omaha System.

This pre-conference session costs \$110 (\$125 after March 31), and includes handouts, breaks, and lunch. Registration is limited to 60. If possible, participants should bring a copy of the 2005 Omaha System book or purchase it at the workshop.

# Questions?

Web site: <http://www.omahasystem.org>  
Or email: [luann@togevents.com](mailto:luann@togevents.com)  
Or call: 1-320-202-1831

# The Omaha System International Conference: Agenda

This conference offers opportunities to obtain knowledge that can support implementation of best practices/ evidence-based practice, organize and standardize documentation, measure outcomes, and improve information management opportunities.

## Friday, April 17, 2009 (includes Posters and Exhibits)

8:00-8:30 *Registration*

8:30-8:45 *Welcome* - Karen Martin

8:45-9:45 *Partnerships: Spanning the Continuum (Part 1)*  
*A View from University of Minnesota* - Connie Delaney  
*A View from Southern University* - Jacqueline Hill  
*A View from a Friend of Nursing* - Louis Henry, Jr.  
*A View about the Omaha System* - Karen Martin

9:45-10:15 *Break*

10:15-12:00 *Partnerships: Spanning the Continuum (Part 2)*  
*A View from the VA* - Marcia Dobrick  
*A View about Cultures and Languages* - Marylyn McEwen  
*A View about Translational Research* - Kathryn Bowles

Objectives for participants (Parts 1 and 2):

1. Analyze the development, use, and impact of information technology and standardized terminology from diverse perspectives.
2. Identify strategies, resources, and materials that contribute to successful partnerships in diverse settings.

12:00-1:00 *Lunch*

1:00-3:00 *Using the Omaha System in Practice*  
*Demonstrating Quality in Home Health Care* - Leslie Larsen  
*Experiences from Nurse-Family Partnership Programs* - Judith Riemer  
*Increasing Reliability and Validity* - Lisa Klotzbach  
*Using the Community Modifier in Public Health* - Jill Timm

Objectives for participants:

1. Describe three critical opportunities and challenges for practitioners, administrators, and their practice settings.
2. Identify strategies to improve practice, documentation, and information management.

1:00-3:00 *Using the Omaha System in Education and Research*  
*Integrating the Omaha System and IT: Getting Started* - Rosemary Chaudry  
*Integrating the Omaha System and IT: Creating Ongoing Opportunities* - Phyllis Connolly  
*Motivating Others to Advance the Agenda* - Charlotte Stepanian  
*Mining for Meaning: Methods and Data Sets* - Karen Monsen

Objectives for participants:

1. Describe three critical opportunities and challenges for students, educators, researchers and their education/research settings.
2. Identify strategies to improve practice, documentation, and information management.

3:00-3:30 *Break*

3:30-5:30 *Representing Best Practices in Pathways* (Interactive Working Session) - Karen Monsen and Jill Timm, Leaders

Objectives for participants:

1. Analyze examples of pathways currently used in diverse settings.
2. Create pathways for sharing.

3:30-5:30 *Generating and Using Data* (Interactive Working Session) - Kathryn Bowles and Pamela Correll, Leaders

Objectives for participants:

1. Analyze examples of data generation and use in diverse settings.
2. Develop strategies to expand generation and use of data.

## Saturday, April 18, 2009 (includes Posters and Exhibits)

8:00-8:30 *Registration*

8:30-8:45 *Announcements* - Karen Martin

8:45-10:15 *Perspectives and Partnerships (Part 1)*  
*A Perspective from Oz* - Carol Judkins  
*A Perspective from Child Care* - Kathleen Ford  
*A Perspective from Home Health Care and Hospice* - Karen Utterback

10:15-11:00 *Brunch*

11:00-12:00 *Perspectives and Partnerships (Part 2)*  
*A Perspective from Parish Programs* - Jo Anne Grace  
*An International Perspective Panel*

Objectives for participants (Parts 1 and 2):

1. Summarize six critical opportunities and challenges for practice, education, research, and automation.
2. Identify effective strategies for practice, education, research, and automation.

12:00-12:35 *Experiences from Hong Kong via St. Olaf* - Frances Wong

Objectives for participants:

1. Describe past, present, and future experiences involving the Omaha System.
2. Identify strategies to increase global partnerships

12:35-12:45 *Summary and Evaluation*