



Thursday May 21, 2026

	Education	Anesthesia Assistance	Home Ventilation	Innovation in RT	Critical Care	Workshops
9:00 am - 9:45 am	<p>From classroom to clinic: Bridging gaps in education and pulmonary care with student innovation Tammie Black, MEd, RRT, FCSRT; Lisa Curtis, RRT, CRE; Naida Keetch BSc, RRT, CRE</p> <p>Mitigating moral distress and planning for traumatic events: Implementing a resilience curriculum for RT students during clinical rotations Brittany Dieroff, MEd, BHSc, RRT; David Reid, RRT</p>	<p>Anesthesia and the role of CCAA in ECT Michael Cashen, RRT, CCAA</p>	<p>Impact of transition to Astral 150 ventilator on pediatric patients, families, and healthcare teams in Ontario Nisha Cithiravel, MHSc, BSc, RRT</p>	<p>Defining our boundaries: A collaborative RT scope of practice review Yvonne Drasovean, MEd, RRT, FCSRT</p>	<p>The Iatrogenic complication: How ventilating the COPD lung can harm the IIH brain Noor Rizvi, BSc, SRT</p>	<p>WORKSHOP (9:00 am - 2:45 pm)</p>
9:55 am - 10:40 am	<p>Disaster in the O.R.: Analysis of an airway fire Murray Sampson, BSc, CCAA, RRT, CRE</p>	<p>Development of a provincial digital care path for children requiring tracheostomy in Alberta Daniel Duke, BPE, RRT</p>	<p>Enhancing radial arterial catheter longevity in the ICU Rebecca Gunn, BHSc, RRT, CRE</p>	<p>Riding the wave: An introduction to bedside lungs and vascular access POCUS Kelly Hassall, RRT, FCSRT, MEd, BSc; Henry Ajzenberg, MD, MHSc, FRCPC; Brandon D'Souza, BHS, RRT, CCAA, FCSRT</p>		
10:45 am - 11:00 am	<p>Break</p>					
11:10 am - 11:55 am	<p>Simulated Participants (SPs) in RT education: Bringing life and breath to simulations Noel Pendergast, MPH, BPEd, RRT, FCSRT</p>	<p>From arrest to ECMO: The CCAA response to massive PE Mark Carolan, RRT, CCAA</p>	<p>Home mechanical ventilation in the community: A CANVent-based approach to neuromuscular and complex respiratory care Crystal Cousineau, RRT; Nora Mondesir, RRT</p>	<p>Transforming pulmonary function testing with digital integration: Strategies and lessons learned Sarah Marks, RRT, BHSc</p>	<p>Enhancing communication using Above-Cuff vocalization in ICU patients Jane Yongo, BSc, RRT, CTE</p>	<p>Language barriers in critical care: Implications for respiratory therapy and patient outcomes Melanie Paez, MSc, RRT</p>
12:05 pm - 12:50 pm	<p>Professional practice student learning beyond the bedside Dallas Will, RRT, CRE</p>	<p>Full scope, full impact: Maximizing Anesthesia Assistant scope of practice to keep ORs open Judy Sutrin, HBSc, RRT, CCAA</p>	<p>A provincial model for LTV care Allison Freeman, OT Reg, MHSc, PGDipOL</p>	<p>Emerging sleep monitoring technologies: Evaluating alternatives to polysomnography for sleep apnea diagnosis Gene Johner, BSc, Bed, SRT</p>	<p>Emerging sleep monitoring technologies: Evaluating alternatives to polysomnography for sleep apnea diagnosis Gene Johner, BSc, Bed, SRT</p>	
12:55 pm - 1:55 pm	<p>Lunch (Exhibit Hall)</p>					
2:00 pm - 2:45 pm	<p>Boosting clinical confidence in respiratory therapy students Rewand Latvanen, MEd, BSc, RRT; Lily Sun, BSc</p>	<p>Integrating patient reported outcomes into anesthesia: Enhancing quality, safety and patient centered care Mithin Koshy, BSc, RRT, CCAA</p>	<p>Identifying healthcare disparities and needs for children with tracheostomy in rural and underserved areas of Western and Northern Canada: A family-caregiver driven multijurisdictional environmental scan Nadia Qureshi, PhD(c), MSc, RRT</p>	<p>Respiratory intuition: Turning ideas into devices Evan Richards, BSc</p>	<p>Arrested by the police, swimming with dolphins and other tales of delirium from a Canadian post-intensive care syndrome clinic Costa Voutsinas, RRT</p>	<p>INDUSTRY EDUCATION SESSION <i>(To be confirmed)</i> Sponsored by AirLiquide Home Healthcare Canada</p>
2:55 pm - 3:40 pm	<p>INDUSTRY EDUCATION SESSION <i>(Speaker to be confirmed)</i> Sponsored by McArthur Medical</p>		<p>INDUSTRY EDUCATION SESSION <i>(To be confirmed)</i> Sponsored by Novus</p>	<p>INDUSTRY EDUCATION SESSION <i>(To be confirmed)</i> Sponsored by AirLiquide Home Healthcare Canada</p>		
3:45 pm - 4:00 pm	<p>Break</p>					
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	<p>Clinical Simulation Network Meeting</p>	<p>CCAA Network Meeting</p>	<p>Home Ventilation Network Meeting</p>	<p>Primary Care Network Meeting</p>		
5:15 pm	<p>Welcome Reception (Exhibit Hall)</p>					



Friday May 22, 2026

	Evolving Practice	Critical Care	Leadership	Chronic and Primary Care	Neonatal and Pediatric	Workshops
8:30 am - 9:15 am	<p>Increasing staff comfort in discussing death and dying through facilitated death cafes Taitum MacAulay, MSW, RSW</p>	<p>Enhancing diagnostic accuracy in pneumothorax detection: AI-assisted lung ultrasound interpretation by RT Brady Hurley, SRT</p>	<p>Mentorship that works: Building better teams from the inside Chantal Piché, RRT</p>	<p>The unspoken facts about COPD: Where health and sexuality connect Pénélope Bolduc, BSc</p>	<p>Practice recommendations for speaking valves in children: A systematic review Kalp Shah, RRT, BHSc</p>	<p>WORKSHOP (8:30 am - 10:10 am) From Idea to impact: A practical QI project primer for RTs Julie Nardi, MSc, RRT, CRE</p>
9:25 am - 10:10 am	<p>Neonatal / paediatric respiratory care targets: A narrative review of the latest guidelines Anthony Iacolucci, BHSc, RRT, C-NPT</p>	<p>Exploring the quality of sleep among critical care professionals in the Republic of Yemen Saleem Hamilah, BS, RT, RCP, MsRC, FNIV</p>	<p>Emotional intelligence in clinical education Baljit Grewal, MSc, BSc, RRT</p>	<p>Vaping: What do we know about short term effects? Jody Saarvala, MSc, BHA, RRT</p>	<p>Preemie triplets: A clinical and parental perspective on the NICU journey Jenna Shannon, RRT</p>	
10:15 am - 10:45 am	Break (Exhibit Hall)					
10:50 am - 11:35 am	<p>INDUSTRY EDUCATION SESSION <i>(Topic and Speaker to be confirmed)</i> <i>Sponsored by Baxter</i></p>	<p>INDUSTRY EDUCATION SESSION Magnesium matters: Breathing new life into respiratory support Martin Ekiti, MD <i>Sponsored by Nova Biomedical</i></p>		<p>INDUSTRY EDUCATION SESSION Continuous cuff pressure management: Better outcomes? Sonia Larouche, RT <i>Sponsored by BOMImed</i></p>		<p>WORKSHOP (10:50 am – 12:30 pm) Innovating education: Teaching today's learner through technology, research, and collaboration Julie Brown, MSc, RRT, FCSRT; Meredith Patey, RRT, FCSRT</p>
11:45 am - 12:30 pm	<p>Advanced resuscitation and recent trends in ACLS 2025 Karine Grondin, Inh, RRT, FCSRT</p>	<p>The hidden driver: How patient effort shapes ventilator outcomes Thomas Piraino, RRT, FCSRT, FAARC</p>	<p>Where is the roadmap? Supporting new graduate RTs in their transition from student to staff Kelly Yuill, RRT, BHSc, CRE</p>	<p>Taming the west: Bringing a primary care RT program to the West Coast / Vancouver Island Joanne Terry, RRT, CRE</p>	<p>Advancing non-invasive respiratory support in preterm neonates: Integrating physiology, practice, and innovation Veena Deekonda, BHSc, RRT</p>	
12:35 pm - 1:35 pm	Lunch (Exhibit Hall)					
1:40 pm - 2:25 pm	<p>"Ask for Angela": Opening the door to safer conversations in respiratory practice Beth McAllister, RN, SANE-A</p>	<p>Optimizing daily spontaneous breathing trials in Respiratory Therapy: A workshop for aligning practice with national recommendations Elizabeth Rohrs, PhD, RRT; Marco Zaccagnini, RRT, CCAA, MSc, PhD, FCSRT</p>	<p>Medical errors: Leadership essentials for harnessing the power of just culture and the human connection following a medical error Lindsay Martinek, BHA, RRT, MHS</p>	<p>Rethinking oxygen: Evidence, equity, and access in Canada Sharon Lee, MA, CFRE</p>	<p>Measuring respiratory effort in mechanically ventilated children Ria Evans, RRT, BSc; Katherine Reise, RRT, MScCH, FCSRT</p>	<p>WORKSHOP (1:40 pm – 3:20 pm) Airways unlocked two: An immersive workshop for complex rescue and isolation techniques Mark Carolan, RRT, CCAA; Robert Bryan, RRT, CCAA; Heather O'Donnell, RRT, CCAA; Juliana Gowing, RRT, CCAA; Jordan Pugh, RRT, CCAA; Daryl Penner, RRT, CCAA</p>
2:35 pm - 3:20 pm	<p>The art of gap analysis: Turning environmental scan data into action Rena Sorensen, MSc, RRT, FCSRT, CAE</p>		<p>"Not my monkey": Leading with purpose, not just fixing problems Marianne Ng, MHSM, RRT, PMP, CCMP</p>	<p>Clinical remission by a comprehensive severe asthma management strategy guided by airway inflammation and bioimaging Taylor Swindall, BA, RRT</p>	<p>To MIST or not to MIST: Implementing minimally invasive surfactant therapy in the community hospital setting Greg Donde, RRT, BHSc, MSc, FCSRT</p>	
3:25 pm - 3:45 pm	Break (Exhibit Hall)					
3:50 pm - 4:35 pm	<p>Respiratory Therapists in translational research: building careers beyond the bedside Melanie Kjarsgaard, MSC, RRT, CRE</p>	<p>Optimizing daily spontaneous breathing trials in Respiratory Therapy: A workshop for aligning practice with national recommendations Continued...</p>	<p>Addressing unconscious bias in healthcare performance management Deasy Ardini, RRT, CASH, CRE</p>	<p>Standardization of action plans: A collaborative approach to provide unified care Leigh Guertin, MHSc, BSc, RRT, CHE, CRE</p>	<p>From bedside to transport: Differentiating PPHN and CHD in neonatal hypoxemia Praveen Nakesvaran, BSc, RRT</p>	<p>MODERATED POSTER SESSIONS</p>
7:00 pm	CSRT/NOVUS Fun Night					



Saturday May 23, 2026

9:00 am - 10:30 am	CSRT PRESIDENT'S BRUNCH and AWARDS CEREMONY		
10:30 am - 11:15 am	<p>Walking together: What reconciliation really asks of us Georgina Dan</p>		
11:30 am - 12:15 pm	<p>INDUSTRY EDUCATION SESSION PEEP titration: Is there an "optimal" value? Dr. Ricardo Luis Cordioli <i>Sponsored by Novus</i></p>	<p>INDUSTRY EDUCATION SESSION <i>(Topic and Speaker to be confirmed)</i> <i>Sponsored by Biomiq</i></p>	<p>INDUSTRY EDUCATION SESSION <i>(Topic and Speaker to be confirmed)</i> <i>Sponsored by GSK</i></p>
12:25 pm - 1:10 pm	<p>The Science of Well-Being for RRTs Tracey Receveur, RN/BN, CWT-TIC <i>Sponsored by Southmedic Inc.</i></p>		
1:15 pm - 2:15 pm	Lunch (Exhibit Hall)		
2:25 pm - 3:10 pm	<p>The CSRT RT evidence framework: How we got here and where we are going Mika Nonoyama, PhD, RRT, FCSRT; Marco Zaccagnini, PhD, MSc, RRT, CCAA, FCSRT</p>		
3:15 pm - 4:00 pm	<p>Blowing off steam: Challenging Mis and Dis information Commissioner Kasari Govender</p>		