Directions
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From the South:
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Parking
Parking is available in multiple locations around the DCU Center.

Hotel Information
The MNA has secured several single and double rooms for $109, plus 14.45% tax, at the Hilton Garden Inn, Worcester, MA. It is adjacent to the DCU Center. Parking is $9.95 per night. For reservations call 508-753-5700.

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Welcome and Opening Remarks

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Gloria F. Donnelly, PhD, RN, FAAN

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2:45 p.m. – 2:55 p.m. Break

2:55 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Closing Session

Patient Turnover and Nursing Employment in Massachusetts Hospitals: Implications for the Affordable Care Act
Judith Shindul-Rothschild, PhD, RNPC

This program will discuss current research linking the relationship between patient turnover and adequacy of nursing staff. The impact of the Affordable Care Act on nursing will be discussed.

4:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.
MNA Update: Next Steps

4:15 p.m.– 4:30 p.m. Closing Remarks