

NCAND Spring Meeting 2026

Friday, April 17, 2026

8:00 AM - 4:15 PM

Briar Creek Country Club (9400 Club Hill Dr, Raleigh, NC 27617)

Time	Topic/Speaker
8:00 – 8:30 am	Registration Opens/Coffee/Breakfast & Visit with Sponsors
8:30 am – 10:30 am	<p>“Brand Clarity & Confident Communication for Dietitians” - Mari Milenkovic, MBA</p> <p><i>Lecture Summary: As a Registered Dietitian, your work is grounded in science, service, and deep care—but does your brand reflect that?</i></p> <p><i>This immersive in-person workshop is designed specifically for RDs who are ready to confidently communicate their value, align their messaging with their mission, and build a brand presence that attracts the right clients and opportunities.</i></p> <p><i>Together, we'll move beyond surface-level marketing into aligned brand expression, practical implementation, and confident pitching. Whether you're building your private practice, launching a program, or expanding into speaking or partnerships, this session will help you speak clearly, show up consistently, and connect more powerfully</i></p>
10:30 am – 11:00 am	Break – visit with sponsors
11:00 am – 12:00 pm	“Brand Clarity & Confident Communication for Dietitians” - Mari Milenkovic, MBA (continued)
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch – visit with sponsors
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	“State-level Advocacy to Achieve NCAND Policy Objectives” – Sherry Melton
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm	“Working as a Clinical Team Between Diabetologists and Dietitians” - Stephanie Page, DO
3:00-3:15 pm	Coffee break
3:15 pm – 4:15 pm	<p>Research Presentations:</p> <p>“The Impact of Social Media on the Flourishing of Rural College Students” - Dr. Anna Dysart, RD, LDN, CNSC</p> <p>“Resilience within FIM Programs in Response to Hurricane Helene in Western North Carolina” - Rachel Hopper</p>
4:15 pm	Adjourn

Agenda subject to change without notice. CEUs will be available, exact number subject to approval.