



**MCA Annual Meeting and National Institute
October 23 – 26, 2017
Newport News Marriott at City Center
Newport News VA**

Monday, October 23 – Casual Attire/Uniform of the Day

- Travel Day for all MCA members
- 0900 – 1600 NEC and FC meeting
- 1700 – Informal Reception

Tuesday, October 24 – Business Casual/Uniform of the Day

- 0730 – 0800 Devotional Opportunities - Catholic, Protestant, Jewish
- 1000 – 1130 – Workshop 1 – Clinical Pastoral Education – not just for hospitals anymore
Workshop 2 – VA Chaplaincy – ministry to veterans
- 1200 – 1300 – Optional Lunch* - Soup, Salad, & Slider Buffet - \$45.00 per person
- 1400 - 1530 – Workshop 3 – The Professional Military Chaplain – Board Certification
Workshop 4 – Civil Air Patrol Chaplaincy – Emergency Response
- 1530 – 1545 - Break
- 1545– 1700 – Workshop 5 – VA Chaplaincy and Suicide Prevention
Workshop 6 – MCA Mentoring Mission
- 1800 – Awards Banquet* - Business Attire/Service Dress – \$65.00 per person (menu choice to follow)
Keynote Speaker - CH (BG) Kenneth “Ed” Brandt
Senior Army National Guard Chaplain and US Army Deputy Chief of Chaplains, Guard

Wednesday, October 25 – Business Casual/Uniform of the Day

- 0730 – 0800 – Devotional Opportunities - Catholic, Protestant, Jewish
- 0830 – 1045 – Annual Business Meeting of the Association
- 1100 - 1130 – MCA Memorial Service
- Noon – 1330 - Emerson Luncheon* - \$45.00 per person (menu choice to follow)
- 1400 – 1530 – Why Religion Matters – CH(COL) Michael T. Lembke, USA, Retired
- 1600 – 1730 – Safe and Sacred Spaces – Chaplain Wally Jensen, CAPT, CHC, USN, Retired
- Evening Free

Thursday, October 26 – Business Casual/Uniform of the Day

- 0730 – 0800 – Devotional Opportunities - Catholic, Protestant, Jewish
- 0900 – 1100 – Chaplains and Behavioral Health Counselling – Report of the VA Study
Chaplain Keith Ethridge – VA National Chaplain Center
- 1100 – 1200 – Optional Lunch* - Market Fresh Luncheon Buffet - \$45.00 per person
- 1230 – 1430 - Evidence Based – Person Centered Chaplain Care – results of Spiritual Performance Baseline Survey
- 1500 – Departure

* Reservations Required for attendance

Registration Fee - \$95.00 per person to cover meeting expenses – Guests - \$40.00

Hotel Reservations direct with Marriot [here](#) or call 866-329-1758