January 18, 2023



December 2: The Academy, along with sixty-one members of the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC), joined a letter urging Congress to pass top legislative priorities addressing the needs of nursing education, practice, and research before the end of the 117th Congress. Read more.

December 21: The Academy, along with forty-seven members of the NCC, joined a letter thanking Congressional leaders for introducing the National Nursing Workforce Center Act of 2022 (H.R.8817/S.4844). This legislation would offer an important step forward to gather additional data on needs within the nursing workforce. Read more.



Nursing Leadership in Decarbonizing the US Health Sector



Hosted by the Expert Panel on Environmental and Public Health

REGISTER

January 20, 2023

January 20, 2023: <u>Policy Dialogue: Nursing Leadership in Decarbonizing the US Health Sector</u> (*Policy Priority: Advance Health Equity & Champion Wellness*)

 The <u>Environmental & Public Health Expert Panel</u> will review the health and environmental impacts of climate change and the urgent need for action, introduce attendees to the sources of greenhouse gasses generated by the health sector (the three scopes of decarbonization), and promote dialogue about priority policy recommendations that nursing can champion and lead to expedited decarbonization.

The deadline to register is Thursday, January 19 at 7:00 PM EST.





Congresswoman Eddie Bernice Johnson, MPA, RN, FAAN, 2019 Academy Legacy Award recipient, was
recently interviewed following her retirement after five decades of public service. Representative Johnson
was inducted into the Academy as a Fellow in 2020. In the interview, she discussed her legislative impact as
a true pioneer for the nursing profession making an extraordinary impact through her commitment to
sound policy. Congresswoman Johnson has authored and co-authored more than 170 bills that became law
and was the first registered nurse elected to Congress. Read more about her interview and legacy here.

EXPERT PANEL POLICY WORK

The Board approved the following Policy Dialogue Proposals, which were submitted by the Academy's Expert Panels.

Health Equity Expert Panel

This policy dialogue will focus on strategies to ensure a more equitable distribution of resources and increased equity in providing quality health care. It will also identify policy recommendations to improve care in underserved communities.

LGBTQ Health Expert Panel

This policy dialogue will discuss the policy issues impacting the transgender community.

Informatics & Technology Expert Panel

This policy dialogue will focus on issues associated with the current nursing workforce shortages and how technology can be supportive or disruptive to providers.

<u>Psychiatric, Mental Health & Substance Use Expert Panel</u>

This policy dialogue will address workplace violence and provide ways to improve the physical and psychological safety and well-being of nurses and patients.



National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR)

• NOT-HD-22-043: Notice of Special Interest (NOSI): Implementation Science to Advance Maternal Health and Maternal Health Equity for the IMPROVE initiative seeks to stimulate dissemination and implementation research on innovative approaches built on evidence-based findings from foundational research on factors that contribute to maternal morbidity and mortality. First Application Due Date: February 6, 2023

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

HRSA-23-002: Nursing Anesthetist Traineeship (NAT) Program: The Health Resources and Services
 Administration (HRSA) released a new Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) to expand access to
 anesthesia services, especially to rural, urban, and tribal underserved communities nationwide. The <u>Nurse Anesthetist Traineeship (NAT) Program</u> aims to increase the supply and distribution of new certified
 registered nurse anesthetists who deliver evidence-based, high quality, and safe anesthesia and pain
 management services. HRSA will award approximately \$2.2 million per year to up to 80 grantees over a

period of four years. **Application Deadline: February 10, 2023** A technical assistance webinar to learn more about this funding opportunity, including application requirements: Tuesday, January 10, 2023 from 2:00 - 3:30 PM EST join the webinar here.

Policy and Politics in Nursing Scholarship

• Applications are Now Open for the Academy Health Policy and Politics in Nursing Scholarship/Diversity Scholars Program. The Policy and Politics in Nursing Scholarship aims to encourage qualified doctorate and post-doctorate nurses from historically excluded underrepresented racial/ethnic minority groups who have expressed an interest in health services research and policy by providing access to mentoring and professional development opportunities to further develop their research and policy interests. One successful applicant will receive financial support for registration and travel to the Annual Research Meeting in June 2023. Don't miss out on this opportunity! The Policy and Politics in Nursing Scholarship is funded by the Co-Editors of the 8th Edition of Policy and Politics in Nursing and Health Care and its publisher, Elsevier, on behalf of its more than 100 contributing authors in recognition of their commitment to developing the next generation of policy leaders in nursing. Apply Today. Application Deadline: Monday, February 27, 2023 at 5:00 PM ET.

Health and Aging Policy Fellowship (HAPF)

Call for Applications for the 2023-2024 HAPF is Now Open. This one-year Fellowship runs from October 1 – September 30 and has full-time and part-time tracks. It is conducted as a hybrid program of mentoring, networking, learning, and practicum experiences. Health and Aging Policy Fellows work across diverse fields of aging and develop lifelong partnerships and networks. Individually and collectively, they are improving the lives of older adults around the country. Candidates from underrepresented groups are especially encouraged to apply. Submission Deadline is April 17, 2023. Upcoming information sessions and additional information can be found here.



The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM)

- Webinar: "Pandemic Preparedness: Accelerating the Discovery of New Therapeutics" January 10 from 12-1 pm EST. Learn more here.
- Webinar: "9-8-8: It is NOT just a number" on January 20 and 23 from 12:30-2:30pm EST. Learn more here.
 - The first webinar will present an overview of the 9-8-8 implementation landscape, financing and sustainability, decriminalization of mental health, and building cultural competency.
 - The second webinar will feature 9-8-8 implementation examples at the state and local level.
 Speakers will also address working with 9-1-1 and law enforcement, state insurance coverage, and other social determinants of health.
- Webinar: "One Health Approach for Effective Biodefense and Global Health Security" January 24 from 1-2 pm EST. Learn more here.



Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

HHS Expands Access to Essential Specialty Care for Millions of Medicaid and CHIP Beneficiaries

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services (HHS)

- HHS Proposes Rule to Strengthen Beneficiary Protections, Improve Access to Behavioral Health Care, and Promote Equity for Millions of Americans with Medicare Advantage and Medicare Part D
- HHS Emphasizes Addressing Disparities and Risk Reduction for Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementia
- HHS Issues New Strengthened Conscience and Religious Nondiscrimination Proposed Rule
- <u>SAMHSA Announces National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH) Results Detailing Mental Illness and Substance Use Levels in 2021</u>

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

FDA Provides Update on External Evaluation to Strengthen Agency's Tobacco Program

National Institute of Health (NIH)

- NIH launches harm reduction research network to prevent overdose fatalities
- Most reported substance use among adolescents held steady in 2022
- NIH study links specific outdoor air pollutants to asthma attacks in urban children
- New approach successfully traces genomic variants back to genetic disorders

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