President’s Message

It is incredible to think the Academy’s 2019 Transforming Health, Driving Policy Conference in Washington, DC was held just two weeks ago. We were proud to welcome more than 1,100 attendees at the event and for those who participated, we hope you felt the energy that the Planning Committee, Board of Directors, Diversity and Inclusivity Committee, and staff worked so hard to create. It was our goal to develop an environment of diversity, equity, inclusivity, and belonging driven by innovative and inspiring speakers as well as dynamic discussions.

I would like to thank the Planning Committee and its Chair, Kenneth R. White, PhD, RN, AGACP-BC, FACHE, FAAN and Co-Chair Mary Gullatte, PhD, RN, ANP-BC, AOCN, FAAN for their dedication to ensure an amazing event.

The conference was a success thanks to the support from our sponsors and generous donors who have remained committed to advancing the work of the Academy. Developing the Academy’s culture of philanthropy, from single, first-time donors to longtime members of the President’s Circle, is necessary to keep the momentum going. I want to thank you in advance for your support of our work.

In addition, I would like to congratulate the Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science (CANS) for its cutting edge event, the Advanced Methods Conference, which focused on sensor technology in research. Thank you to the Institute for Nursing Leadership (INL) Planning Committee Chair, Jan Heinrich, DrPH, RN, FAAN and Co-Chair Bobbie Berkowitz, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN, for their work to design the INL’s 5th annual Workshop & Luncheon, which focused on social entrepreneurship. Both events were well attended and fostered new thinking for the future.

Just as importantly, as I assume my role as President, I would like to thank Dr. Karen Cox for her leadership over the past two years. The Academy has been fortunate to be led by incredible Presidents who are dedicated to elevating the voice of nursing in all policy discussions. Karen was no different. Under her leadership, we have started the Academy’s path of refinement and further commitment to the dissemination of our work.

As your President, I look forward to advancing our enduring goal of impact and influence. To that end, I have been asked by a number of Fellows, “what will you do as President?” The Academy is in an exciting state of transformation. Over the last few years, and particularly in the past year, you have seen the organization change. We are now at a place where the Board’s role will evolve as well. With strong support from our Board, I look forward to continuing to fulfill our mission to "serve the public and the nursing profession by advancing health policy, practice, and science through organizational excellence and effective nursing leadership." The Board relies on the excellence of our CEO and professional staff to realize our goals and to drive the successful operation of the...
organization. The Board will attend to stewardship, partnerships, member engagement, and Academy visibility, and will ensure that we have the resources to advance our mission.

Additionally, you will see a renewed focus on our signature initiatives, Leadership (Institute for Nursing Leadership), Innovation (Edge Runners), and Science (Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science). This is the work our organization needs to develop to increase the impact of our policy work and face outward. It is all interconnected and it will be my goal to continue this process toward strategic growth, particularly through raising the public awareness of these signature initiatives.

Finally, as President, I promise to keep the lines of communication open. My email address is president@aannet.org, so please feel free to reach out with ideas or suggestions. You can also follow me (@EileenSullivanM) and the Academy (@AAN_Nursing) on Twitter to stay in the know and keep apprised of our latest news. I look forward to working with, and for, you over the next two years!

Sincerely,

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We are proud to acknowledge the generosity of our supporters and their commitment to the Academy. During the 2019 Transforming Health, Driving Policy Conference alone, nearly $25,000 was raised in support of the Academy. Thank you to the donors, listed below, who contributed during our time together in DC!

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Introducing the New Board of Directors

The American Academy of Nursing is pleased to announce Kenneth R. White, PhD, RN, AGACNP-BC, FACHE, FAAN, was voted to serve as President-Elect. Kathleen Chavanu Gorman,MSN, RN, FAAN was elected as Treasurer. Jose Alejandro, PhD, RN-BC, MBA, CCM, FACHE, FAAN and Nelda Godfrey, PhD, RN, ACNS-BC, FAAN were also elected to serve on the Board. Read more about the elections and the current Board of Directors here.

Conference Evaluation & CE Credits

Please take a moment to complete the conference evaluation survey. Surveys are also available for those who attended the INL Leadership Workshop & Luncheon as well as the CANS Advanced Methods Conference.

If you have purchased Continuing Education Credit, you will be prompted to provide your email address upon completion of the survey. It may take up to four weeks to receive your certificate.

Download the Annual Report
Please let us know if you would prefer to have a hard copy mailed to you.

Fellowship Application Available Nov. 8th!

The 2020 Fellowship Application will be available to view on November 8, 2019. Current Fellows will be eligible to sponsor two candidates.

NAM Scholar-in-Residence Application

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Fellow Achievements

Marilyn P. Chow, PhD, RN, FAAN, Clinical Professor at the University of California San Francisco, has been honored in a new mural that commemorates diverse nurse heroes.

Dr. Chow’s work and advocacy has revolutionized health care and paved the way for diversity and inclusion in nursing. The mural, titled *Difference is Power*, underscores the school’s commitment to diversity. Read more here.
Dr. Chow was inducted into the Academy in 1984 and became a Living Legend in 2018.

Linda Laskowski Jones, MS, APRN, ACNS-BC, CEN, NEA-BC, FAWM, FAAN, Editor-in-Chief of Nursing2019, has been selected as Chairperson of the Trauma System Quality Care Review Committee within the Delaware Health and Social Services' Division of Public Health.

The Trauma System Quality Care Review Committee, established by the Trauma System law passed in 1996, assists in the oversight and evaluation of the statewide Trauma System. Ms. Laskowski Jones will serve a four year term on the Committee.

Ms. Laskowski Jones was inducted into the Academy in 2015 and serves on the Acute and Critical Care Expert Panel.

Susan K. Newbold, PhD, RN-BC, FHIMSS FAMIA, FAAN, Owner of the Nursing Informatics Boot Camp, based in Franklin, TN, has been selected to receive the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing (Sigma) Virginia K. Saba Nursing Informatics Leadership Award.

The award is based on Sigma's dedication to fostering high professional nursing standards, recognizing superior achievement, developing leadership, and encouraging creative work. Dr. Newbold will be presented the award at the Sigma Biennial Convention in Washington, DC in November. Read more here.

Dr. Newbold was inducted into the Academy in 2000 and serves on the Informatics and Technology Expert Panel.

Victoria Niederhauser, DrPH, RN, PPCNP-BC, FAAN, Dean of the University of Tennessee Knoxville College of Nursing, announced the largest gift in the college's history.

The $7.5 million gift from alumna Sara Croley and her husband, Ross, will be distributed so that $5.5 million will support the college's building renovation and expansion and $2 million will establish the Sara Rosenbalm Croley Endowed Dean's Chair. Read more here.

Dr. Niederhauser was inducted into the Academy in 2015, serves on the Environmental Health Expert Panel, and was recently appointed to the Finance Committee.

Maria Rodriguez Shirey, PhD, MBA, RN, NEA-BC, ANEF, FACHE, FNAP, FAAN, has been named the inaugural holder of the Jane H. Brock-Florence Nightingale Endowed Professorship in Nursing in the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Nursing.

The professorship was established to recognize a faculty member who exhibits
the characteristics and essence of Florence Nightingale, whose leadership and work focuses on building partnerships to improve access to quality health care, and who demonstrates innovative leadership. Dr. Shirey is known nationally for her well-funded research and clinical partnership work.

Dr. Shirey was inducted into the Academy in 2010 and serves on the Building Health Care System Excellence Expert Panel.

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**Eileen Sullivan-Marx**, PhD, RN, FAAN, Dean, New York University (NYU) Rory Meyers College of Nursing, was awarded a Special Tribute by United Hospital Fund (UHF) at its annual gala on October 7, 2019.

UHF periodically recognizes the achievements of organizations or individuals who have had a significant impact on health care in New York City through its Special Tribute award. Dr. Sullivan-Marx is one of the nation's most distinguished nursing researchers, educators, and policy leaders with a long history of promoting innovation in primary and geriatric care. She was granted the Special Tribute for her contributions in transforming NYU Rory Meyers College of Nursing into one of the top nursing research institutions of the country. Read more here.

Dr. Sullivan-Marx was inducted into the Academy in 1997 and currently serves as the organization's President.

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**Jacquelyn Taylor**, PhD, PNP-BC, RN, FAHA, FAAN, the Vernice D. Ferguson Professor in Health Equity at NYU Rory Meyers College of Nursing, has been elected as a member of the National Academy of Medicine (NAM).

Election into NAM is considered one of the highest honors in the fields of health and medicine and recognizes individuals who have demonstrated outstanding professional achievement and commitment to service. Dr. Taylor is a nurse scientist whose research focuses on the interaction of omics and social factors that contribute to health disparities for common chronic conditions among underrepresented minority populations in the U.S. and abroad. Read more here.

Dr. Taylor was inducted in the Academy in 2011 and serves on the Genomic Nursing and Health Care Expert Panel.

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The Arizona Nurses Association has created a new award named for **Marla Weston**, PhD, RN, FAAN, Chief Executive Officer of Weston Consulting.

The Marla Weston Leadership Award will be presented annually to an Arizona Nurses Association member for significant contributions to nursing practice and policy through leadership that embodies the ability to hear and listen to wide ranging needs and ideas and foster collaboration among multiple stakeholders to bring about solutions that advance the nursing profession or promote the health of Arizonans.

Dr. Weston was inducted into the Academy in 2012 and serves on the Building Health Care System Excellence and Quality Health Care Expert Panels.
In Memoriam

Helen B. Connors, PhD, RN, DrPs (Hon), FAAN, Professor Emerita at University of Kansas (KU) School of Nursing, and former Associate Dean of Integrative Technologies and Executive Director of the KU Center for Health Informatics, passed away on September 23, 2019.

Dr. Connors was a pioneer in educational innovation in the area of information technologies. Her efforts to increase the number of nurses in rural areas garnered national media attention and she was a leader in the development of telehealth opportunities. Dr. Connors was inducted into the Academy in 2000.

For more information, click here.

Annalee R. Oakes, EdD, RN, FAAN, Nursing Consultant and Visiting Professor, Northwest University, passed away on October 25, 2019.

Dr. Oakes was the founding director of the MSN in Nursing Leadership Program at Seattle Pacific University where she also served as Dean of the School of Nursing and Health Sciences. She was the founding Dean, faculty, and consultant for Northwest University College of Nursing in Kirkland, WA. Dr. Oakes was a clinical expert, teacher, leader, mentor, and friend to many. She was inducted into the Academy in 1990.

For more information, click here.

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