July 20, 2022



July 7: The American Academy of Nursing joins more than 75 leading professional health care organizations on a joint statement in opposition to legislative interference in the patient-clinician relationship. Patients need to be able to access, and clinicians need to be able to provide, the evidence-based care that is right for them, including abortion, without arbitrary limitations, without threats, and without harm. Read more.

June 24: The American Academy of Nursing and Maternal Health Organizations Respond to Supreme Court decision in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*. This decision promises to severely limit many of our members' ability to provide high-quality, patient centered maternal health care, and it will certainly lead to unnecessary patient suffering and harm. Read more.

June 17: The Academy submitted comments to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid regarding the FY2023 Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS) and Long-Term Care Hospital (LTCH)Prospective Payment System (PPS) proposed rule. The proposed rule includes measures that will encourage hospitals to build health equity into their core functions, thereby improving care for vulnerable people and communities who are disproportionately impacted by the healthcare system. Read more.

June 14: The Academy, along with 68 other organizations, signed onto a letter to House Appropriations leaders urging them to not include any provisions that would weaken **FDA's oversight of tobacco products** in the FY 2023 Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations bills. Read more.

The Quality of Care in Nursing Homes

Hosted by the Informatics & Technology Expert Panel in collaboration with the Expert Panel on Aging

2022 POLICY DIALOGUE SERIES

AUGUST 16, 2022

The <u>Informatics and Technology Expert Panel</u>, in collaboration with the Expert Panel on <u>Aging</u>, will discuss
implications for nurses resulting from the upcoming National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and
Medicine (NASEM) report on the quality of care in nursing homes.





The Board of Directors approved the following Proposals and Consensus Papers, which were submitted by the Academy's Expert Panels.

Policy Priority Area: Advance Health Equity and Champion Wellness

Proposal: Access to Maternal Health Care for Those in Rural, Mountainous, and Large Geographic Regions Maternal & Infant Health Expert Panel

• This manuscript would explore the issue and propose key collaborations among the practice arena, academics, governmental agencies, faith-based institutions and legislative bodies to advance maternal health in rural geographic regions.

Consensus Paper: American Academy of Nursing Expert Panel Consensus Statement on Inequities in the Juvenile Justice System Rooted in Systemic and Structural Racism

<u>Psychiatric, Mental Health and Substance Use, Child, Adolescent & Family, Violence, and the Cultural Competence & Health Equity</u> Expert Panels

Within the context of juvenile justice and the lens of critical race theory, this paper seeks to illuminate
selected educational, environmental, legal, and healthcare policies, practices, and decisions that led to
their detrimental consequences. Recommendations for mitigating the intended and unintended barriers as
experienced by youth of color are presented.

Policy Priority Area: Promote Innovation and Sustainability

Proposal: Critical Work Force Shortage: Nursing Professional Action and Federal Legislation Must Happen Now Acute and Critical Care Expert Panel

• This manuscript would explore burnout and urgent interventions needed to support the delivery of safe, quality nursing care in the acute care setting.

Policy Priority Area: Reduce Patient, Provider, and System Burden

Consensus Paper: Leveraging Equity in Policy to Improve Recognition and Treatment of Mental Health, Substance Use Disorders, and Nurse Suicide

<u>Psychiatric, Mental Health & Substance Use, Bioethics, Environmental and Public Health, Military and Veterans</u> <u>Health and the Quality Health Care Expert Panels</u> This consensus paper outlines issues of equity and evidence-based approaches for care of nurses with
mental health disorders including substance use. The purpose of this paper is to establish consensus
among clinical and policy leaders and scholars from Expert Panels of the American Academy of Nursing
about an action plan to address risks to mental health and the factors contributing to nurse suicide.

Consensus Paper: COVID-19 Pandemic in Long-Term care: A Global Perspective for Policy Considerations

<u>Building Health Care System Excellence</u>, <u>Psychiatric, Mental Health & Substance Use</u> and the <u>Global Nursing and Health</u> Expert Panels

• This consensus paper identifies key factors rooted in the systemic failings of the long-term care sector amongst well-resourced countries, during the COVID-19 pandemic, that led to the greatest loss of residents' lives ever experienced globally. The goal is to offer policy solutions to prevent future tragedies.

Consensus Paper: American Academy of Nursing Consensus Recommendations to Advance Policy on Nurse Well-being

<u>Building Health Care System Excellence</u>, <u>Psychiatric, Mental Health & Substance Use</u> and the <u>Global Nursing and Health Expert Panels</u>

• This paper proposes recommendations from three Expert Panels for the American Academy of Nursing to leverage related policy in the arenas of government and professional/healthcare organizations. The paper explores avenues to transform health care work environments and advance nurse well-being and equity through key, innovative policy changes achieved through collaboration among associations, organizations, nonprofit groups, the public, and the media.

American Academy of Nursing on Policy: Publications in Nursing Outlook

The Board approved the following Manuscripts, which were published in Nursing Outlook.

Policy Priority Area: Promote Innovation and Sustainability

Manuscript: <u>American Academy of Nursing Expert Panel Consensus Statement on The Impact of COVID-19 on the US Economy, Education, and Environment</u>

Expert Panel: Global Nursing and Health and the Environmental and Public Health Expert Panels

 This manuscript summarizes the key issues that require timely policy responses and engagement from nursing.

Policy Priority Area: Reduce Patient, Provider, and System Burden

Manuscript: <u>American Academy of Nursing on Policy Social Determinants of Health: Data Standardization in Electronic Health Records</u>

Expert Panel: Informatics and Technology

• This manuscript describes and characterizes the need for data standardization related to Social Determinants of Health, describes existing efforts to address this need, and makes recommendations for the future in support of advancing human health.



Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

• HRSA has a <u>number of new research funding initiatives and opportunities</u> that are available for submission. <u>View all funding opportunities</u>.

National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR)

- NINR is seeking applications from outstanding candidates for <u>Clinical Director</u>, <u>Division of Intramural</u>
 <u>Research (DIR)</u>. This position is part of the NINR senior leadership team and reports directly to the NINR
 <u>Director</u>.
- NINR has a number of new funding initiatives and opportunities that are available for submission. To help the process, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) released a <u>Guide Notice</u> for submissions.

National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)

• NIDA has a <u>number of new priority research areas</u> that are available for submission.







October 27-29, 2022

The <u>2022 Health Policy Conference</u>, *From Reflection to Impact: Positioning Nursing's Future*, will be held inperson at the Marriott Marquis in Washington, DC from **October 27-29, 2022**.

The conference will convene thought leadership within nursing and health care to reflect on the profession's challenges, triumphs, and opportunities to shape policies for future, long-term impact. Participants will engage with leaders who will share how recent events have ignited nursing innovation, research, and practice, and how multi-level policies influence health and health care.

<u>Registration is now open!</u> Learn more about the event, including the <u>Agenda</u>, <u>Speakers</u>, and <u>Frequently Asked</u> <u>Questions</u>.



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

- News Release: "CDC's Division of Global Migration and Quarantine Needs Investment, Regulatory Reform, and Other Changes to Meet New Infectious Disease Challenges, Says Report" Read more heet-needs-investment, Regulatory Reform, and Other Changes to Meet New Infectious Disease Challenges, Says Report" Read more heet-needs-investment, Regulatory Reform, and Other Changes to Meet New Infectious Disease Challenges, Says Report" Read more heet-needs-investment, Report "Read more heet-needs-investment, Report "Read more heet-needs-investment, Read more <a href="https://example.com/heet-needs-investment-n
- Statement: "Decision to Overturn Roe v. Wade Could Worsen Reproductive Health in U.S., Exacerbate Health Inequities" Read more here.

National Academy of Medicine (NAM)

• NAM Commends Biden Administration Pledge Initiative to Mobilize Health Care Sector to Decarbonize and Increase Resilience to Climate Change



Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

- CDC Recommends COVID-19 Vaccines for Young Children
- HIV Testing Dropped Sharply Among Key Groups During First Year of COVID-19 Pandemic
- CDC Recommends Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine for Children and Adolescents
- CDC Activates Emergency Operations Center for Monkeypox Response
- COVID-19 Reverses Progress in Fight Against Antimicrobial Resistance in U.S.

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

- COVID-19 Vaccinations Covered Without Cost-sharing for Eligible Children Aged Six Months to Five Years
- Statement from CMS Administrator Chiquita Brooks-LaSure on Access to Reproductive Health Care
- Biden Administration Announces New Model to Improve Cancer Care for Medicare Patients
- <u>Secretaries Becerra, Walsh and Yellen Underscore Contraceptive Coverage Requirements for Private</u> Insurance

- CMS Publishes Program Year 2021 Open Payments Data on Health Care Providers
- <u>Biden-Harris Administration Takes Action to Expand Access to Emergency Care Services in Rural Communities</u>
- HHS Provides States with Additional Resources to Improve Oversight and Ensure Access to Quality Care in Medicaid and CHIP Managed Care Programs
- CMS Proposes Physician Payment Rule to Expand Access to High-Quality Care

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

- <u>During the Biden-Harris Administration, Nearly 253,000 Americans in 14 States and D.C. Have Gained Access to 12 Months of Postpartum Coverage Through Medicaid and CHIP Extensions</u>
- HHS Awards \$115 Million to Support Ending the HIV Epidemic in the United States
- New Campaign Seeks to Improve Health of People With HIV and Prevent New Transmissions
- HHS Announces Availability of \$10 Million for Rural Communities to Expand Treatment in Response to Surging Fentanyl and Other Opioid Overdoses
- Fact Sheet: Surgeon General to Speak at Youth Mental Wellness Now! Summit and Applaud Commitments in Response to His Call to Action on Youth Mental Health Crisis
- Fact Sheet: What happens to premiums if the extra help from the American Rescue Plan expires?
- HHS Announces Programs to Join President Biden's Justice40 Initiative
- HHS Secretary Becerra's Statement on Supreme Court Ruling in Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization
- Know Your Rights: Reproductive Health Care
- FACT SHEET: HHS Initiative to Strengthen Primary Health Care Seeking Public Comment
- HHS Announces Enhanced Strategy to Vaccinate and Protect At-Risk Individuals from the Current Monkeypox Outbreak
- <u>Biden-Harris Administration secures 105 million doses of Pfizer's latest COVID-19 vaccine for fall vaccination campaign</u>
- HHS Issues Guidance to Protect Patient Privacy in Wake of Supreme Court Decision on Roe
- <u>Biden-Harris Administration catalyzes private health sector commitments to reduce climate impacts and protect public health</u>
- CMS Approves 12-month Extension of Postpartum Coverage in Washington State
- HHS Announces New Grants to Bolster Family Planner Provider Training
- HHS Awards Over \$155 Million to Expand Training for Primary Care Residents in Underserved and Rural Communities
- <u>Biden-Harris Administration Announces Additional Deliveries of Vaccine as Part of Nationwide Vaccine</u> <u>Strategy for Preventing Monkeypox</u>
- <u>Biden-Harris Administration to make an additional 144,000 doses of JYNNEOS vaccine available to states and jurisdictions for monkeypox response</u>
- <u>Statement by HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra on President Biden's Executive Order to Protect Access to Reproductive Health Care</u>
- Biden-Harris Administration secures 3.2 million doses of Novavax COVID-19 Vaccine
- Following President Biden's Executive Order to Protect Access to Reproductive Health Care, HHS Announces Guidance to Clarify that Emergency Medical Care Includes Abortion Services
- HHS Issues Guidance to the Nation's Retail Pharmacies Clarifying Their Obligations to Ensure Access to Comprehensive Reproductive Health Care Services

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

- <u>Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update: FDA Authorizes Moderna and Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccines for Children Down to 6 Months of Age</u>
- <u>FDA Announces Plans for Proposed Rule to Reduce Addictiveness of Cigarettes and Other Combusted</u>
 <u>Tobacco Products</u>
- FDA Provides Update on Efforts to Increase Supply and Availability of Safe and Nutritious Infant Formula
- FDA Denies Authorization to Market JUUL Products
- Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update: FDA Recommends Inclusion of Omicron BA.4/5 Component for COVID-19
 Vaccine Booster Doses
- Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update: FDA Authorizes Pharmacists to Prescribe Paxlovid with Certain Limitations

- <u>FDA Developing New Framework for Continued, Expanded Access to Infant Formula Options for U.S.</u>
 <u>Parents and Caregivers</u>
- Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update: FDA Authorizes Emergency Use of Novavax COVID-19 Vaccine, Adjuvanted

National Institute of Health (NIH)

- NIH <u>released a news release</u> titled "Life expectancy in the U.S. increased between 2000-2019, but widespread gaps among racial and ethnic groups exist"
- NIH released a news release titled "Trial of potential universal flu vaccine opens at NIH Clinical Center"
- NIH <u>released a news release</u> titled "NIH-funded project offers efficient approach when tracking SARS-CoV-2 variants"
- NIH <u>released a media advisory</u> titled "COVID-19 was third leading cause of death in the United States in both 2020 and 2021"
- NIH <u>released a news release</u> titled "Small NIH study reveals how immune response triggered by COVID-19 may damage the brain"
- NIH released a news release titled "Preterm birth more likely with exposure to phthalates"
- NIH <u>released a news release</u> titled "Percentage of overdose deaths involving methadone declined between January 2019 and August 2021"
- NIH <u>released a news release</u> titled "Interferon treatment may reduce severity of COVID-19 in people with certain genetic factors"



Based on previous positions taken by the Academy, the following scan is meant for informational purposes and does not directly translate to Academy endorsement. Links provided allow you to watch the recordings and read witness testimony.

House Committee on Education & Labor

June 23: <u>Subcommittee Hearing: Examining the Policies and Priorities of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service</u>

House Committee on Energy & Commerce

- June 28: Hearing on "Protecting America's Seniors: Oversight of Private Sector Medicare Advantage Plans"
- June 29: Hearing on "Investing in Public Health: Legislation to Support Patients, Workers, and Research"
- July 19: Hearing on "Roe Reversal: The Impacts of Taking Away the Constitutional Right to an Abortion"

House Committee on Veteran Affairs

- June 22: Subcommittee on Health Legislative Hearing
- July 11: Ending Veteran Hunger: Examining the Impact of COVID-19 on Food Insecurity
- July 14: Examining VA Community Care Access, Utilization, And Expenditures
- July 20: Modernizing Veteran Education In The Shadow Of COVID-19

Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor & Pensions

- June 14: Executive Session: S. 4348, S. 958, S. 4353, H.R. 1193, and S. 4053
- June 16: Full Committee Hearing: An Update on the Ongoing Federal Response to COVID-19: Current Status and Future Planning

- June 22: <u>Full Committee Hearing: Supporting Students and Schools: Promising Practices to Get Back on Track</u>
- July 13: <u>Full Committee Hearing: Reproductive Care in a Post-Roe America: Barriers, Challenges, and Threats to Women's Health</u>

Senate Committee on Veteran Affairs

• July 20: Examining the Status of VA's Electronic Health Record Modernization Program

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