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TRANSFORMING HEALTH POLICY STARTS
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September 21, 2022



August 23: The Academy along with fifty-eight members of the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC), signed on to a letter supporting a **National Defense Authorization Act** amendment that honors and recognizes the women who served as **cadet nurses during World War II**. [Read more](#).

August 24: The Academy, along with 11 other nursing organizations, sent a letter to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Administrator Chiquita Brooks-LaSure in support of the new **Rural Emergency Hospital designation** to ensure high quality of care under the Conditions of Participation (CoPs). The comments call for **CMS to permanently allow APRNs to practice to the full extent of their education and clinical training**, which would remove barriers to care for APRNs and their patients. [Read more](#).

August 25: The Academy joined an amicus brief along with the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and other health care organizations challenging the state of Texas's efforts to ban **access to gender-affirming care**. [Read more](#).

September 19: The Academy signed on to a letter to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regarding **funding for the Title X Family Planning Program in the President's budget**. The letter calls for increasing the funding for the Title X family planning program, enforcing the Medicaid Free Choice of Provider requirement, and expanding access to clinical services. [Read more](#).

September 19: The Academy, along with 115 other organizations, signed on to a letter to House and Senate Appropriations leaders urging **timely action to complete the Fiscal Year 2023 (FY23) appropriations** by the start of the fiscal year on October 1, 2022. The letter highlights that FY23 funding is urgently needed to fund research and advance critical health priorities. [Read more](#).



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EXPERT PANEL POLICY PAPERS

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: Health Equity and Equitable Health Policy with Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Gender Expression (SOGIE) Peoples

[LGBTQ Health](#) Expert Panel

- This proposal for a manuscript will be an update and expansion of the 2018 policy brief titled "[Protecting vulnerable LGBTQ youth and advocating for ethical health care](#)" as well as other bodies of work from this expert panel. This manuscript will highlight recent publications and efforts to address the health disparities experienced by the LGBTQ community.

Consensus Paper: Mobilizing Nurses to Address the Opioid Misuse Epidemic

[Primary Care](#) and [Psychiatric, Mental Health & Substance Use](#) Expert Panel

- This consensus paper will review measures to prevent and treat opioid use disorder and overdose. The paper also examines the background and current practice of primary care registered nurses and nurse practitioners in opioid use disorder prevention, recognition, and treatment, with attention given to regional, legislative, and reimbursement issues that enable or act as a barrier to practice.

Proposal: Implementing High-Quality Primary Care: Review, Critique, and Recommendations

[Primary Care](#) Expert Panel

- The National Academy of Medicine (NAM) published the report "Primary Care America's Health in the New Era" twenty-five years ago. Primary care has changed drastically since the publication of this report. This proposed manuscript will review the objectives, recommendations, and plans for implementing high-quality health care, highlighting the role of nursing in successfully implementing high-quality primary care, and identifying and recommending policy implications related to the recommended plan. This paper will expand on the report's findings from the nursing perspective as well as identify key elements that may be

missing from the report.

Proposal: Resettlement Needs of Refugee Women in the US

[Women's Health](#) and [Global Nursing and Health](#) Expert Panels

- This proposal for a consensus paper will provide a broad view of all of the factors that refugee women face as they resettle in the United States, describing their challenges and needs with examples from Afghanistan, Ukraine, and south of the U.S. border to explore.

Proposal: Readiness for Refugee Transitions

[Women's Health](#) and [Global Nursing and Health](#) Expert Panels

- This proposed manuscript will provide a global view of refugee women experiences during the three aspects of fleeing their home country due to regional conflicts. The paper will outline the stressors refugee women encounter as well as suggest policy recommendations that would support this key population.

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

Consensus Paper: Scoping Review: Positive and Negative Impact of Technology on Clinicians

[Informatics and Technology](#), [Bioethics](#) and the [Quality Health Care](#) Expert Panels

- This consensus paper explores electronic health records (EHR) and their benefits for patients and clinicians. While there are many benefits to EHR usage, unfortunately, the unintended consequences of unnecessary documentation burden and usability issues have negatively impacted clinicians leading to burnout and moral distress.

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: Advance Health Equity and Champion Wellness

Manuscript: [COVID-19 effects on women's home and work life, family violence and mental health](#)

[Women's Health](#) Expert Panel

- This manuscript examines how pandemic-related factors have altered women's roles and created stressors challenging stress adaptation and typical coping strategies, including how registered nurses have faced unique challenges.



Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

- HRSA has a [number of new research funding initiatives and opportunities](#) that are available for submission.

National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR)

- The National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR) of the National Institutes of Health (NIH) is seeking applications from exceptional candidates for the position of **Deputy Director** to assist in providing leadership to one of the preeminent institutions for nursing research. [Read more](#).
 - [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 [Guide Notice](#) for submissions.
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The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM)

- Feature Story: [Slowing the Cross-Border Spread of Infectious Disease](#)
- September 6: [The Pediatric Subspecialty Workforce and Its Impact on Child Health and Well-Being: Webinar 2](#)
- September 9: [Public Webinar: Review of Federal Policies that Contribute to Racial and Health Inequities Meeting #4 \(Part 1\)](#)
- September 22 and 28 Workshop Series: [Roundtable on Health Literacy](#)
- Publication: [Rapid Expert Consultation on Self-Tests for Infectious Diseases: Lessons Learned from COVID-19](#)

National Academy of Medicine (NAM)

- NAM Annual Meeting, October 17: [Revolutionizing the Biomedical and Health Sciences](#)
 - NAM Special Publication: [Emerging Stronger from COVID-19: Priorities for Health System Transformation](#)
 - NAM Publication: [COVID-19, Health Equity, and the Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Communities: Proceedings of a Workshop—in Brief](#)
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Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

- [Increased Use of Telehealth for Opioid Use Disorder Services During COVID-19 Pandemic Associated with Reduced Risk of Overdose](#)
- [CDC Recommends the First Updated COVID-19 Booster](#)

Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

- [CMS Encourages States to Use Medicaid Payments to Nursing Homes to Drive Better Health Outcomes for](#)

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

- [HHS Facilitates Agreement to Accelerate Delivery of Additional Smallpox and Monkeypox Vaccines Using New U.S. Production Line](#)
- [HHS Expanded Home and Community-Based Services in Five New States and Territories for Older Adults and People with Disabilities](#)
- [HHS Takes Action to Strengthen Access to Reproductive Health Care, Including Abortion Care](#)
- [HHS Announces Over \\$20 Million in Awards to Implement Biden-Harris Administration Blueprint for Addressing the Maternal Health Crisis; Reduce Disparities in Maternal and Infant Health](#)
- [Biden-Harris Administration Proposed to Make Health Care Enrollment Easier for Millions of Americans](#)

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

- [FDA Warns Manufacturer for Marketing Illegal Flavored Nicotine Gummies](#)

National Institute of Health (NIH)

- News Release: [Risk of premature death in adulthood influenced by patterns of early childhood adversity](#)
- News Release: [Many types of leisure time activities may lower risk of death for older adults](#)
- Media Advisory: [NIH experts review monkeypox challenges](#)
- News Release: [SARS-CoV-2 antigen levels linked to patient outcomes](#)

National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)

- News Release: [Marijuana and hallucinogen use among young adults reached all time-high in 2021](#)



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 and Labor

- September 8: [Subcommittee Hearing: An Ounce of Prevention: Investments in Juvenile Justice Programs](#)

House Committee on Veterans' Affairs

- September 15: [Examining Women Veterans' Access To The Full Spectrum of Medical Care, including Reproductive HealthCare, through the Department of Veterans Affairs \(VA\) Veterans Health Administration \(VHA\)](#)

Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor & Pensions

- September 14: [Full Committee Hearing: Stopping the Spread of Monkeypox: Examining the Federal Response](#)

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