American Academy of Nursing Releases Meeting Proceedings from 2021 Policy Dialogues


Washington, DC (October 20, 2022)—The American Academy of Nursing (Academy) has released the meeting proceeding summaries from the 2021 Policy Dialogues, hosted by the Academy’s Expert Panels. Academy Fellows leverage their expertise within the Expert Panels to support the organization’s policy priorities of advancing health equity and championing wellness; promoting innovation and sustainability; and reducing patient, provider, and system burden. The Policy Dialogues converge leaders to discuss a pressing topic and to develop policy recommendations that champion these priorities.

The Academy is pleased to release the summaries of each of these Policy Dialogues:

**Public Health Preparedness and IT: Lessons from the Field** (Hosted in August 2021)

Hosted by the Informatics and Technology Expert Panel in Collaboration with the Expert Panels on Environmental and Public Health; Health Equity; and Building Health Care System Excellence, this dialogue featured a discussion on addressing global infectious disease challenges with thought leaders on health informatics, technology, and global public health. These experts summarized the lessons learned in response to COVID-19 pandemic so far and proposals to improve Health IT infrastructure and reporting so that public health and infectious disease responses can be more efficient.

**Advancing Policies to Support Family Caregivers** (Hosted in November 2021)

Hosted by the Expert Panel on Aging, this dialogue focused on the critical and growing role that family caregivers play in providing care to older adults. Experts examined the policies at the federal, state, and health system levels that support family caregivers and identified opportunities for nursing leadership to champion health equity and quality outcomes for patients as well as their caregivers.

**Healthcare Systems Post-COVID: Exploring Reforms & Policy Implications** (Hosted in December 2021)

Hosted by the Building Health Care System Excellence Expert Panel in Collaboration with the Expert Panels on Palliative and End of Life Care; Military and Veterans Health; and Acute and Critical Care, this dialogue featured thought-provoking discussion about policy issues associated with the complexity of healthcare systems and their resulting burdens through the lens of the COVID-19 pandemic. Leading experts discussed the innovations implemented during the pandemic as well as the policy initiatives introduced to address health care solutions needed in the post-pandemic world.

The 2021 Meetings Proceedings are available to view online. Learn more about the Academy’s Expert Panels.

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