Dear Fellows,

I’m grateful for the opportunity to address you for the first time in FAAN Mail as your new Academy President. For those of you who attended the Health Policy Conference in-person, or virtually, you know that Dr. Eileen Sullivan-Marx and I intentionally created a clear transition between our presidencies. Honoring transitions and, in turn, creating new ones is important; the Academy needs to gather strength from what it has done, while focusing forward to what comes next. The deliberate act of turning over the gavel at the end of the business meeting symbolizes the confidence of one leader in turning over leadership to the new leader taking the helm.

I learned a great deal from “Dean Eileen” during her presidency. As I noted in my remarks at the conference, she led the Academy to a bold new mission and vision in the context of a national call to confront racism and promote social justice. Dr. Sullivan-Marx built on the leadership of her predecessor, Dr. Karen Cox, and set into motion actions to solidify the Academy’s goal of health equity and advance our ability to transform policy. She laid the groundwork for modernizing our governance and elevated and clarified the importance of our mission in the face of a global pandemic.

Growing up in rural Oklahoma, I started my nursing career in a small town nearly a half century ago. I reflect on how powerful it is to have someone believe in you, encourage you, and have confidence in what you can accomplish. Florine McCurdy, a Black ward clerk at Okmulgee Memorial Hospital did all of those things for me. I will never forget Ms. McCurdy, and I have made it a point in my career to remember and recognize people who have helped me along the way.

I will now build on the strong foundation created by all of you—our Fellows—and the leaders you have elected. As your Academy President, I endeavor to:

- Honor and uphold our mission, vision, and values;
- Ensure the execution of our strategic plan;
- Advance our EDI mission and goals;
- Build relationships with our Fellowship and key stakeholders; and
- Seek innovation and transformation.

As champions for nurses and nursing, we should be nurses OUT LOUD with bold voices and equally bold ideas. We need always to have a seat at the table—the most important tables in health and health equity. The nursing profession includes incredibly talented and cutting-edge leaders, like our newly honored Living Legends—Betty Ferrell, Terry Fulmer, Susan Hassmiller, and Marla Salmon—who are the inspiration for the change we need now. We were also pleased to recognize the 2021 Award recipients—Roy L. Simpson (President’s Award), Ernest Grant (Civitas Award), Antonia Villarruel (Health Care Leader Award), Catherine
Alicia Georges (Lifetime Legacy Award), and Louise Woerner (Outstanding Leadership Award)—for their extraordinary contributions to the profession.

There is something truly remarkable about being the President of an organization in which our Fellows are nurses OUT LOUD. We are creating visibility and changing the way the public understands care delivery. Our work ahead will be to strengthen and regain trust where it has been lost, serve as ambassadors for global health diplomacy, and, at every turn, act to address health inequity. As a former member of the Fellow Selection Committee, I can say with certainty, now more than ever, we need to continue to grow and diversify our Fellowship. I look forward to seeing how our 225 new Fellows and our 4 Honorary Fellows shape our collective mission and vision.

I also know that this is the time of year that we start to think about the Fellowship application and sponsoring individuals for Fellowship into the Academy. For those of you who have been sponsors in the past, or are considering it now, I encourage you to find a nurse and show how much you believe in them, just as Ms. McCurdy and my sponsors, Suzi Burns and Patrick Coyne, did for me. The Academy is committed to supporting sponsors and applicants and will host a series of webinars geared towards Fellowship sponsors and applicants this winter. Remember each Fellow can sponsor up to two nurses each year.

Some may ask, why sponsor now? I would say with resounding confidence because the Academy is changing and it is time to embrace an abundance mindset. We are reinventing our approaches, offering more resources throughout the year (such as our policy dialogues), and improving communications internally and externally. Now, more than ever, we are dedicated to health equity and social justice. While our organization has its own history of injustices, the Board of Directors has committed to following our own honest and difficult path to acknowledging and learning from that history. We will uphold our new Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity statement and the Principles of Engagement set forth by the Diversity and Inclusivity Committee. We will hold each other accountable for ensuring a truly equitable future for the Academy and the profession. It you have not already done so, please do take a moment and watch the recording of the bystander training, Together We Advance an Inclusive Nursing Profession: A Model for Mitigating and Responding to Racism, Discrimination, and Microaggressions, presented by Kupiri W. Ackerman-Barger, PhD, RN, CNE, FAAN.

I join you in thanking the volunteer leaders of our committees and National Advisory Councils for their commitment to spurring our progress. In particular, we have benefitted from the work of this year’s planning chairs and co-chairs, who helped put together our excellent conference events—Policy Conference Planning Advisory Chair, Pamela Jeffries and Co-Chair, Debra Barksdale; Institute for Nursing Leadership National Advisory Council Planning Committee Chair, Hussein Tahan, and Co-Chair, Janie Heath; and the Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science National Advisory Council Planning Committee Chair, Robin Dail and Co-Chair, Hudson Santos.

I want to acknowledge what change or a transition feels like in the Academy. Rightfully, it will feel and look different to each of us. For me, it feels like hope. To me, it looks like new and familiar faces at the table learning from each other and making our vision of healthy lives for all people come alive. I want to count on all of you to join me at this table throughout the next two years, sharing stories of progress.

Sincerely,

Kenneth R. White, PhD, AGACNP, ACHPN, FACHE, FAAN
President

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Academy News

CANS Advanced Methods, INL Signature Event, and Academy Health Policy Conference attendees should complete their conference evaluations by November 1, 2021 to receive their nursing continuing professional development contact hour certificates. For questions, please contact Harper Garfinkle, Program Manager, at hgarfinkle@aannet.org. All registrants have access to the on-demand content through December 31, 2021.

Want access to on-demand content for any of these events? This year, the Academy is pleased to offer an on-demand option (CANS, INL, Health Policy) for individuals who missed the opportunity to attend live to access the conference platform and view session recordings.
2021 LIVING LEGENDS CEREMONY
WATCH ON-DEMAND
Newly Elected Members of the Fellow Selection Committee:

- **Liam C. Hein**, PhD, RN, FAAN, Associate Professor, University of South Carolina College of Nursing
- **Paula M. Meek**, PhD, RN, ATSF, FAAN, Assistant Dean for PhD Program and Professor, University of Utah College of Nursing
- **Sheila Melander**, PhD, ACNP-BC, FCCM, FAANP, FAAN, Associate Dean MSN, DNP, and Faculty Practice, University of Kentucky College of Nursing
- **Margaret C. Wilmoth**, PhD, MSS, RN, FAAN, Major General, US Army (Retired), Executive Vice Dean, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill School of Nursing

Newly Elected Members of the Nominating Committee:

- **Nada Lukkahatai**, PhD, MSN, RN, CNE, FAAN, Assistant Professor, Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing
- **David Marshall**, JD, DNP, RN, FAONL, FAAN, Senior Vice President and Chief Nursing Executive, Cedars-Sinai
- **William E. Rosa**, PhD, MBE, NP-BC, FAANP, FAAN, Chief Research Fellow, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
Felesia R. Bowen, PhD, DNP, APRN, PPCNP-BC, FAAN, joined the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Nursing as the inaugural Associate Dean for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. Dr. Bowen was inducted into the Academy in 2019 and has been a Heroine of Health at the Women in Global Health awards.

Pamela Cipriano, PhD, RN, FAAN, Dean and Sadie Heath Cabaniss Professor, University of Virginia School of Nursing, has assumed her elected position as the 29th President of the International Council of Nurses. Dr. Cipriano was inducted into the Academy in 1991. She currently serves as President of the International Council of Nurses.

Myrna A. A. Doumit, PhD, RN, FAAN, Associate Professor, Lebanese American University Alice Ramez Chagoury School of Nursing has been named a Heroine of Health at the Women in Global Health awards. Dr. Doumit was inducted into the Academy in 2017.
Jacqueline Dunbar-Jacob, PhD, RN, FAAN, announced she will be retiring as Dean of the University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing effective June 30, 2023.

Dr. Dunbar-Jacob was inducted into the Academy in 1991 and has been a member of CANS since 2012. She currently serves on the Health Behavior EP.

Jason Farley, PhD, MPH, ANP-BC, FAAN, FAANP, AACRN, has been appointed as the inaugural Endowed Chair for Leadership and Innovation at Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing.

Dr. Farley was inducted into the Academy in 2013. He currently serves on the Emerging Infectious Diseases and Global Nursing and Health EPs.

Christopher R. Friese, PhD, RN, AOCN, FAAN, Elizabeth Tone Hosmer Professor of Nursing, Associate Director for Cancer Control and Population Sciences, University of Michigan, has been appointed to the National Cancer Advisory Board by President Biden.

Dr. Friese was inducted into the Academy in 2012.

Tracy Gosselin, PhD, RN, AOCN, NEA-BC, FAAN, has been appointed as Senior Vice President, Chief Nurse Executive, and Chair of Nursing, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, effective November 2021.

Dr. Gosselin was inducted into the Academy in 2018.

Pam Jones, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN, has been appointed Associate Vice Chancellor for Health and Wellness at Vanderbilt University.

Dr. Jones was inducted into the Academy in 2019.

Monica McLemore, PhD, RN, FAAN, Associate Professor, UCSF School of Nursing, has received the American Public Health Association's Maternal and Child Health Outstanding Leadership / Advocacy Award.

Dr. McLemore was inducted into the Academy in 2019. She currently serves on the Women's Health EP.
Ukamaka Oruche, PhD, RN, PMHCNS-BC, FAAN, Associate Professor and Director of Global Programs, Indiana University School of Nursing, has been named a Health Care Hero by the Indianapolis Business Journal.

Dr. Oruche was inducted into the Academy in 2017. She currently serves on the Psychiatric, Mental Health, Substance Use EP.

Nancy S. Redeker, PhD, RN, FAHA, FAAN, will be joining the University of Connecticut School of Nursing as Professor.

Dr. Redeker was inducted into the Academy in 2008 and is the immediate past chair to the CANS National Advisory Council. She joined the Academy’s Board of Directors this year.

Vincent Salyers, EdD, RN, ANEF, FAAN, has been named Dean of the Ruth S. Coleman College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Cardinal Stritch University.

Dr. Salyers was inducted into the Academy in 2019.

Patricia Sharpnack, DNP, RN, CNE, NEA-BC, ANEF, FAAN, Dean, Ursuline College, has been named Chair-Elect of the NLN’s Board of Governors and was presented with the NLN’s Mary Adelaide Nursing Award for Outstanding Teaching or Leadership in Nursing Education.

Dr. Sharpnack was inducted into the Academy in 2019 and became a CANS member this year.

Sarah Szanton, PhD, RN, FAAN, Dean, Johns Hopkin School of Nursing, has been elected as a member of the National Academy of Medicine.

Dr. Szanton was inducted into the Academy in 2014 and has been a member of CANS since 2020. She currently serves on the Aging EP.

Rear Admiral Sylvia Trent-Adams, PhD, RN, FAAN, has been named to the AMN Healthcare Board of Directors.

RADM Trent-Adams was inducted into the Academy in 2014.
Tener Goodwin Veenema, PhD, MPH, MS, FAAN, Professor, Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing, has been elected as a member of the National Academy of Medicine. Dr. Veenema was inducted into the Academy in 2009. She currently serves on the Environmental Health EP.

Mary Wakefield, PhD, RN, FAAN, Visiting Distinguished Professor, Georgetown University School of Nursing, received the David Rall Medal from the National Academy of Medicine. Dr. Wakefield was inducted into the Academy in 1990 and became a Living Legend in 2019.

Shannon Zenk, PhD, MPH, RN, FAAN, Director, National Institute for Nursing Research, has been elected as a member of the National Academy of Medicine. Dr. Zenk was inducted into the Academy in 2010 and has been a CANS member since 2013. She currently serves on the Environmental Health EP.

Deborah Zimmermann, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN, has been named Chief Executive Officer of The DAISY Foundation. Dr. Zimmerman was inducted into the Academy in 2013. She currently serves on the Building Health Care System Excellence EP.

Do you have an achievement to share? Submit your news through the FAAN Mail Submission Form.

Fellow Highlights

Gerri Collins-Bride, MS, RN, FAAN, has been named in Exceptional Parent Magazine’s "50 for 50" feature.

Jie Deng, PhD, RN, OCN, FAAN, has been approved for a $3 million funding award by the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) to study lymphedema management in head and neck cancer survivors.

Wallena Gould, EdD, CRNA, FAANA, FAAN will present a poster titled "An Intentional Pipeline Effort for an
Inclusive Nurse Anesthesia Profession to Address Workforce Racial Inequities & Health Equity: An Evidenced-Based Programmatic Model" at the AACN Virtual Diversity Symposium.

LaRon Nelson, PhD, RN, FNP, FNAP, FNYAM, FAAN is leading a $7 million study funded by the National Institute of Allergy & Infectious Diseases at NIH to address disparities in HIV among Black men.

Representative Lauren Underwood, MSN/MPH, RN, FAAN, wrote an editorial discussing her work to advance the Build Back Better Act in Congress.

Laura Wagner, PhD, RN, FAAN, received a five-year $2.5 million grant from the National Institute on Aging for her project, "Relationships of Dementia Care Workforce Experiences, Training and Work Environment to Resident Outcomes in Skilled Nursing Facilities." Susan Chapman, PhD, RN, FAAN, Soo-Jeong Lee, PhD, RN, ANP, and Joanne Spetz, PhD, FAAN are co-investigators.

Laura Wagner, PhD, RN, FAAN, received a one-year $499,715 grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) for the project “FirstGenRN — Rural Eldercare Advancement Program.”

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**In Memoriam**

Elizabeth Barrett, PhD, RN, FAAN, Professor Emerita, Hunter-Bellevue School of Nursing, Hunter College, City University of New York (CUNY), passed away on August 23, 2021.

Dr. Barrett is best known for her theory, *Power as Knowing Participation in Change*. She had over 100 publications on a variety of topics, including on nursing as a unique science of unitary human beings and health patterning as a nursing practice methodology.

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Janine Cataldo, PhD, RN, FAAN, Professor in the University of California San Francisco School of Nursing and past chair of its Department of Physiological Nursing, passed away on August 2, 2021.

Throughout her career, Dr. Cataldo was committed to improving the health of others by advancing our understanding of behaviors and factors associated with tobacco use among older adults. She developed a tool to measure perceived stigma in lung cancer patients, known as the Cataldo Lung Cancer Stigma Scale, and studied the impact of stigma on symptom severity and quality of life among these patients. Dr. Cataldo authored or co-authored more than 70 studies and papers and served on numerous scientific committees at the national and international levels. Cataldo was inducted into the Academy in 2013.

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