President's Message

This year has been named the International Year of the Nurse and Midwife by the World Health Organization. The Nursing Now Campaign is focusing on a number of projects, including the Nightingale Challenge to “equip and empower the next generation of nurses and midwives as leaders, practitioners and advocates in health.”

The celebration of 2020 as the Year of the Nurse and Midwife is a charge to us all to be stronger mentors, professional champions, and historians celebrating generations of past, present, and future nurse leaders. Our successes and lessons from previous attempts to expand the profession’s influence should be used to empower nurses to be bold, dare to dream big, and refuse to be confined by tradition for the sake of tradition.

I encourage us all to find the extra time this year (and beyond) to share an experience with a mentee, student, or fellow nurse because our stories are not just inspiring, they can be used as templates for progress. Stories are important. They help us find connections on many levels — professionally, personally, and emotionally. A story can document a powerful history.

That is why, later this year, I will be launching a committee to tell the history of the Academy. The Academy was founded in 1973, and it is important to start now by documenting the rich evolution of our organization over the past 50 years. Ken White, as the current President-Elect, will be President during our 50th celebration. He has graciously agreed to serve as Chair of this Committee. I look forward to providing more details on this project as the work gets underway.

As I mention in my January/February President’s Message in Nursing Outlook, this year the Academy is taking stock of its three signature initiatives: Edge Runners, the Institute for Nursing Leadership, and the Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science, which celebrate Innovation, Leadership, and Science in our field. We will focus on our three signature initiatives as a way to elevate the profession’s impact.

With that said, I want to make sure all Fellows are aware of The Lancet’s call for papers because it directly aligns with innovation, leadership, and science. As you may have seen, it was...
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The Lancet will, in the latter part of 2020, dedicate a weekly issue to the theme of nursing, including issues such as nursing and universal health coverage, nursing education, workforce planning, quality of care, new technologies, task sharing, and nursing as a movement to protect planetary health.

I will be working with the Board, our Expert Panels, and individual Fellows to ensure that we have a robust response to this call. The Academy will thoughtfully, purposefully, and influentially participate in celebrating 2020 as the Year of the Nurse and Midwife, particularly through the leadership of Nursing Now USA. We welcome suggestions from the Fellowship on ways we can further engage, nationally and internationally, throughout the year.

Sincerely,

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The 2020 Fellowship Applications will be accepted January 13 - February 14, 2020. Current Fellows will be eligible to sponsor two candidates.

Fellow Achievements

Jennie Chin Hansen, MS, RN, FAAN, an independent consultant with the philanthropic adviser Hirsch and Associates, LLC., was appointed to the Healthy California for All Commission by California Governor Gavin Newsom.

The Commission will work to develop a plan for achieving a health care
delivery system for California that provides coverage and access through a unified financing system. Dr. Chin Hansen was selected for her experience working to improve the quality and safety of health care delivery systems, specifically for older adults. Read more.

Dr. Chin Hansen was inducted into the Academy in 2005 and serves on the Aging Expert Panel as well as the Edge Runner Review Committee and Institute for Nursing Leadership National Advisory Council.

Constance Hendricks, PhD, RN, FAAN, Dean of the School of Nursing and Allied Health at Tuskegee University, has been awarded the Mary Elizabeth Carnegie Award by the Southern Regional Educational Board Council on Collegiate Education for Nursing.

Named after Mary Carnegie Elizabeth, the trailblazer for workforce diversity in nursing education and practice, the Award is given by the Council to a nurse educator who best exemplifies Carnegie's quest for excellence in nursing education. While not given annually, Dr. Hendricks was specifically chosen for her years of service to the nursing profession. Read more.

Dr. Hendricks was inducted into the Academy in 2009 and serves on the Women's Health Expert Panel.

Keela Herr, PhD, RN, AGSF, FGSA, FAAN, Kelting Professor in Nursing and Associate Dean for Faculty at the University of Iowa College of Nursing, received the 2019 Doris Schwartz Gerontological Nursing Research Award.

The Award is given by the Gerontological Society of America to a member with an outstanding and sustained contribution to geriatric nursing research. Dr. Herr was awarded for her efforts to provide best practices in improving pain care for older adults in long-term settings. Read more.

Dr. Herr was inducted into the Academy in 2003 and serves on the Aging and Palliative and End of Life Care Expert Panels.

María de los Ángeles Ordóñez, DNP, ARNP-BC, GNP, PMHNP, FAAN, Director of the Louis and Anne Green Memory and Wellness Center and Associate Professor at Florida Atlantic University's Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing, has been named to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' (HHS's) Advisory Council on Alzheimer's Research, Care, and Services.

The Council was established in 2011 to advise HHS on work and programs conducted or needed regarding Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. Bringing the perspectives of Hispanics and Latino Americans, Dr. Ordóñez was selected for her extensive work on programs in memory, wellness, and long-term services and support. Read more.

Dr. Ordonez was inducted into the Academy in 2018.
Gloria Ramsey, JD, RN, FAAN, Associate Dean for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at Johns Hopkins School of Nursing, was selected by *Modern Healthcare* as one of the *100 Most Influential People in Healthcare in 2019*.

The list recognizes and honors individuals who are deemed by their peers and the senior editors of *Modern Healthcare* to be the most influential in the industry, in terms of leadership and impact. Read more.

Dr. Ramsey was inducted into the Academy in 2008 and serves on the Bioethics as well as the Cultural Competence and Health Equity Expert Panels.

William Rosa, MS, AGPCNP-BC, FCCM, FAANP, FAAN, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Future of Nursing Scholar, has received the international *Leininger Transcultural Nursing Award* from the Transcultural Nursing Society. The Award was established in 1983 to recognize outstanding and creative leaders in transcultural nursing.

Mr. Rosa has also received the *American Nurses Association – New York State Scholarship Award*. This award recognizes a nurse who has made significant contributions in the scholarship of discovery, integration, teaching and/or application. The scholarship has to have been subject to peer review and disseminated beyond the state or local level. Additionally, Mr. Rosa served as guest editor of a special edition of *Nursing Outlook*, focused on US-based implications of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals.

Mr. Rosa was inducted in the Academy in 2018 and serves on the Global Nursing and Health as well as the Palliative and End of Life Care Expert Panels.

Gwen Sherwood, PhD, RN, FAAN, Professor Emerita at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Nursing, was awarded an *Honorary Doctorate by Jönköping University* in Sweden.

In recognition of Dr. Sherwood's extraordinary contributions to quality and safety, reflective practice, and interprofessional education, she was honored with this title at the Academy Ceremony held in honor of Jönköping University's 25th Anniversary. Read more.

Dr. Sherwood was inducted into the Academy in 2001 and serves on the Global Nursing and Health Expert Panel.

**In Memoriam**

Nettie Birnbach, EdD, RN, FAAN, Professor Emerita of Nursing, State University of New York, Brooklyn, passed away on December 18, 2019.
Dr. Birnbach served in the United States Cadet Nurse Corps during World War II before obtaining her nursing degrees later in life, which she used to teach for over 20 years. She served as the President of the American Association of the History of Nursing from 1998-2000. Dr. Birnbach was inducted into the Academy in 1992.

For more information, click here.

Marlene M. Rosenkoetter, PhD, RN, FAAN, Professor Emerita, Augusta University, passed away on December 31, 2019.

Dr. Rosenkoetter was a nurse researcher for over 35 years, consulting with over 50 hospitals, health care systems, and universities. She was an expert in geriatric nursing. Dr. Rosenkoetter was inducted into the Academy in 1990.

For more information, click here.

Lillian Stokes, PhD, RN, FAAN, Professor Emerita, Indiana University (IU), passed away on November 24, 2019.

Dr. Stokes served over 55 years as a registered nurse, and worked as a nurse educator and advocate for diversity at IU for 40 years. During her tenure at IU, Dr. Stokes championed culturally competent care and many minority professional and health initiatives, including Breaking the Myths of Nursing. As the Director for Diversity and Enrichment, she developed a diversity statement that is still present in the school's strategic goals. Dr. Stokes was inducted into the Academy in 2001.

For more information, click here.

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