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June 14, 2023

President's Message

Dear Fellows,

As June rushes along toward the summer solstice on the 21st of the month—the lavish, longest day of the year in the northern hemisphere—we rejoice in the warmth, the light, and so many wonderful anniversaries and milestones. It's June! But one of those exclamations isn't enough, as Oscar Hammerstein's lyrics in "Carousel" would have it: *"it's June, June, June/Just because it's June, June, June!"* You know the song, and you can't help singing or whistling and smiling when you hear it:



*June is bustin' out all over
All over the meadow and the hill
Buds're bustin' outa bushes
And the rompin' river pushes
Ev'ry little wheel that wheels beside the mill*

Whenever, however, in whatever way you can, get up and march, get up and sing, get up and dance. June's gifts bring something for everyone—memories, moments, magic, and miracles. Here we go:

- Happy Pride! No matter who you are or how you identify, June is a month to uplift LGBTQ+ people, hear our voices, and celebrate our lives. The last lines of the signature song in Jerry Herman's musical "La Cage Aux Folles" (1983) say it all:

*There's one life, and there's no return and no deposit;
One life, so it's time to open up your closet.
Life's not worth a damn 'til you can say,
"Hey world, I am what I am!"*

In June 2023—40 years after "La Cage Aux Folles" opened on Broadway—it is far easier for LGBTQ+ people in this country to say *"Hey world, I am what I am!"* There are Pride parades, marches, concerts, and (of course) merchandising. And yet, 54 years after Stonewall, we seem to live in two divided countries; too many Americans would restrict drag queens rather than guns, and too many LGBTQ+ people—especially those who identify as trans—face an uncertain future as they seek healthcare, education, homes, and families. So joining marches, protests, and rallies—and supporting politicians, schools, and retailers that work to protect and serve our LGBTQ+ communities—should be June priorities for all of us. Say "gay" loud and often.

Actions, large and small, taken by our Fellows, with courage in our hearts, evidence in our minds, and empathy in our souls to advance equity and inclusion for everyone in the LGBTQ+ community bring hope

to all of us. This year the Academy has signed onto four amicus briefs championing gender affirming care in Kentucky, Florida, and Oklahoma, and supported a proposed rule that provides additional safeguards to protect patients and healthcare professionals against conscience and religious discrimination. Please join me in thanking the LGBTQ+ Health Expert Panel, the staff, and legal team advising us to make our case so that state laws do not restrict access to evidence-based care. [See all of the Academy's recent work to support LGBTQ+ health here.](#)

- On June 19 we celebrate *Juneteenth*, often called the “second American Independence Day.” Juneteenth, which is now a federal holiday observed in 28 states and the District of Columbia, marks the day when the last enslaved people in the United States learned that they were free. Juneteenth is both a jubilee and a remembrance; it should inspire both truth and reconciliation, as it marks both progress and pain. It is all the more important in today’s context, when misguided attempts to deny history and erase the memory and legacy of slavery are aligned with efforts to limit voting rights and preserve white privilege. We must not tolerate banning books, inflaming passions about “critical race theory,” and overlooking the stark inequities that still hinder health, learning, and safety for Black Americans. We cannot let fear or complacency stifle our earnest work toward equity and inclusion.
- June is bustin’ out all over at the Academy too. The Board of Directors had a robust conversation on many critical points, including planning for the fall [Health Policy Conference](#), Living Legends ceremony, 50th Anniversary event, and Induction Ceremony. [Registration](#) is now open and I do hope you take advantage of the special 50th anniversary discount using code **50HPC**.
- The Board also conducted its annual BoardSource self-evaluation and scored above a 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in every category. The ratings on financial oversight (3.89 in comparison to the other Boards average of 3.39), and impact (3.72 in comparison to the other Boards average of 3.35) were the highest.
- June also brings such a great buzz about the 2023 Fellowship application results. We notified applicants and their sponsors of the Fellow Selection Committee’s decisions on Monday, June 12, and a formal announcement will follow in the coming weeks. New Fellows are always a cause for celebration—and especially so in this 50th anniversary year.

Where we know we have work to do is nourishing the Academy’s culture of philanthropy and expanding the diversity of our Board. We have hired a development consultant, Empreinte, to assess our philanthropic capacity and advise us on best practices to ensure our valued donors, as well as future donors, are aware of the difference their support makes. The Board has also made strategic changes to the bylaws to bolster the Nominating Committee’s efforts to continue diversifying Academy leadership. The Academy’s 2023 election will open in early July – when the candidate booklet is released, please take the time to learn about the candidates and cast your votes to determine the future leadership of the organization.

So: it’s June, June, June! Look up—as Emily Dickinson’s poem goes,

*To see the Summer Sky
Is Poetry, though never in a Book it lie*

I hope all of you find the poetry that June, and the summer, bring.

Sincerely,



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

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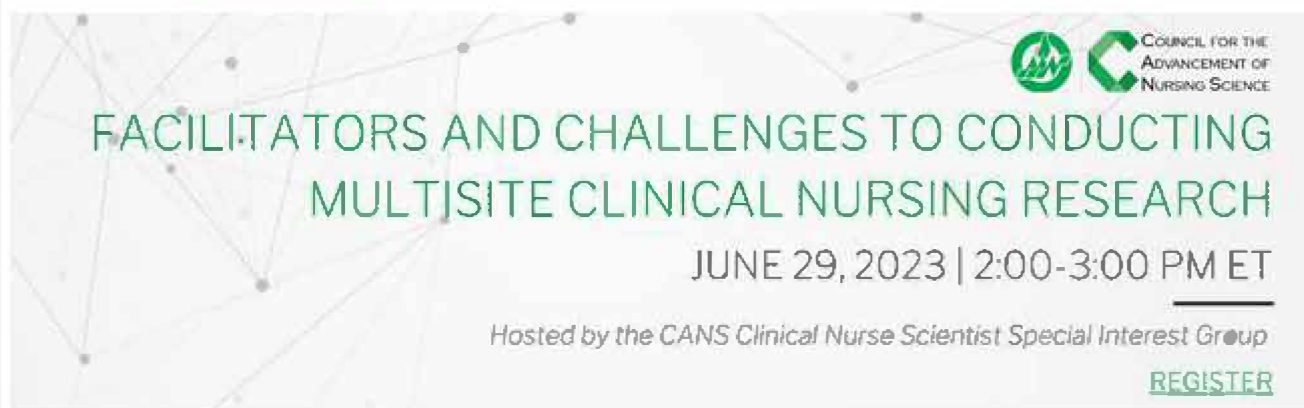
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[Registration](#) for the 2023 Health Policy Conference, *Celebrating 50 Years of Leadership, Policy, and Partnerships*, taking place in Washington, DC this October 5-7 is now open. Attendees will be inspired by diverse, interprofessional speakers who will challenge them to expand their knowledge and enhance their partnerships to impact policy toward a more just future. The Academy welcomes all those interested in attending—from students, to stakeholders, to Fellows—to learn together as we continue to strive for equity, diversity, and inclusivity. [Learn more.](#)

Please note: Decision notifications were sent to all 2023 Fellowship applicants and sponsors on June 12. The Academy will formally announce the 2023 Class of Fellows in early July.

* Get \$50 off early bird registration through July 5, 2023 with code **50HPC** *
*Promo code **50HPC** must be applied at the time of registration.*



Fellow Achievements

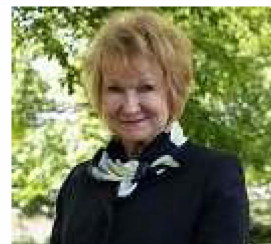


Kimberly Baltzell, PhD, RN, FAAN, Professor at the UCSF School of Nursing, is the **recipient of the Global Citizen Award from GAIA** for her work as Founder and Director of the **Global Action in Nursing (GAIN)**.

Dr. Baltzell was inducted into the Academy in 2014. She serves on the



Barbara J. Bowers, PhD, RN, FAAN, Professor Emerita and Founding Director of the Center for Aging Research and Education at the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Nursing, **has been appointed a Senior Advisor for Pathway Health**.



Helen K. Burns, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN, Senior Vice President and Chief Nursing Officer, Excelsior Health, has been appointed as the **Rev. Owen Roth, OSB, Inaugural Director of Nursing at St. Vincent College**.

Dr. Burns was inducted into the Academy in 2008. She serves on the

Global Nursing and Health Expert Panel.

Dr. Bowers was inducted into the Academy in 1996. She serves on the Expert Panel on Aging.

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Charlene Harrington, PhD, RN, FAAN, Professor Emerita at the UCSF School of Nursing, is the recipient of the 2022-2023 Constantine Panunzio Distinguished Emeriti Award.

Dr. Harrington was inducted into the Academy in 1987.

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Laura L. Hayman, PhD, RN, FAAN, FAHA, Professor, Department of Nursing, University of Massachusetts Boston, was named a 2023 Nurse Honoree by Nurses with Global Impact.

Dr. Hayman was inducted into the Academy in 1984.

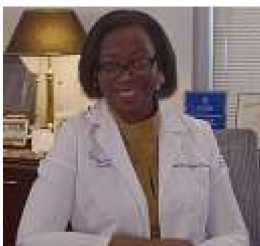
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Betsy M. McDowell, PhD, RN, CNE, ANEF, FAAN, Professor Emerita, Newberry College, received the Margaret S. Miles Distinguished Service Award from the Society of Pediatric Nurses.

Dr. McDowell was inducted into the Academy in 2022. She serves on the Child, Adolescent, and Family as well as the Nursing Theory-Guided Practice Expert Panels.

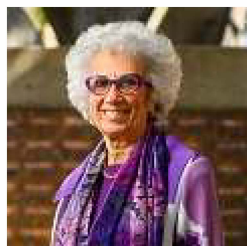
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Renee McLeod-Sordjan, DNP, NP, FAAN, has been named Dean at the Hofstra Northwell School of Nursing and Physician Assistant Studies. She succeeds Founding Dean Kathleen Gallo, PhD, RN, FAAN. Dr. McLeod-Sordjan will also continue to serve as Northwell's Director and System Chairwoman of Medical Ethics, roles she's held since 2019.

Dr. McLeod-Sordjan was inducted into the Academy in 2022.

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Afaf I. Meleis, PhD, DrPS (hon), MS, MA, FAAN, Professor of Nursing and Sociology and Dean Emerita, University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing, is the recipient of the 2023 UCLA Award for Professional Achievement.

Dr. Meleis was inducted into the Academy in 1979. She serves on the Global Nursing and Health Expert Panel and International Task Force.

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Margaret P. Moss, PhD, JD, RN, FAAN, Professor and Director, First Nations House of Learning, University of British Columbia, was named a 2023 Nurse Honoree by Nurses with Global Impact.

Dr. Moss was inducted into the Academy in 2008. She currently serves on the Academy's Board of Directors.

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Beth Phoenix, PhD, RN, FAAN, Professor at the UCSF School of Nursing, will be honored with the **2023 Psychiatric Nurse of the Year Award from the American Psychiatric Nurses Association (APNA)** at the APNA conference this October.

Dr. Phoenix was inducted into the Academy in 2013. She serves on the Psychiatric, Mental Health, and Substance Use Expert Panel.

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Patricia Starck, PhD, RN, FAAN, Dean Emerita, University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston Cizik School of Nursing, has been named a **2023 Nurse Honoree by Nurses with Global Impact**.

Dr. Starck was inducted into the Academy in 1992.

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Eileen Sullivan-Marx, PhD, RN, FAAN, FGSA, Dean, New York University Rory Meyers College of Nursing, has been named a **2023 Nurse Honoree by Nurses with Global Impact**.

Dr. Sullivan-Marx was inducted into the Academy in 1997 and has been a CANS member since 2019. She is the immediate Past President of the Academy.

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Fellow Highlights

Abbey Alkon, PhD, RN, FAAN, received a \$130,435 award from the Heising-Simons Foundation for her project "California's Early Care and Education Health and Safety."

Linda Franck, PhD, RN, FAAN, is a co-author of the paper, "[Toward Equity in Research Participation: Association of Financial Impact With In-Person Study Participation](#)," published in *Pediatric Neurology*.

Elizabeth Gatewood, DNP, RN, FAAN, received a \$168,000 award from the California Department of Health Care Access and Information to support the Family Nurse Practitioner specialty in the school's Master of Science program.

Catherine L. Gilliss, PhD, RN, FAAN, and **Kathryn Lee**, PhD, RN, FAAN, were among the authors of the paper, "[Sleep Symptoms Signaling the Menopausal Transition](#)," published in the *Journal of Clinical Sleep Medicine*.

Deborah Parham Hopson, PhD, MSPH, BSN, RN, FAAN, was featured in [Invisible Corps](#), a PBS documentary about the United States Public Health Service and Commissioned Corps.

Susan Haynes Little, DNP, RN, PHNA-BC, CPH, CPM, FAAN, is among those selected for the [Johnson & Johnson Nurse Innovation Fellowship Program](#), powered by the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing and the Wharton School.

Allison P. Squires, PhD, RN, FAAN, is a co-author of the article, "[Why International Recruitment Won't Solve The US Nursing Staffing Crisis](#)," published in *Health Affairs*.

Margaret Wallhagen, PhD, RN, FAAN, received a \$57,329 grant supplement from the Department of Veterans Affairs for her project "VAQS Nurse Senior Scholar."

Launette Woolforde, EdD, DNP, RN-BC, FAAN, is featured in the article, "[How nurse 'change agents' saved hospitals \\$84M](#)," in *Becker's Hospital Review* discussing the [Edge Runner](#) model, the [American Association of](#)

In Memoriam



Carol A. Anderson, PhD, RN, FAAN, the first permanent Dean of The Ohio State University College of Nursing, passed away on June 5, 2023.

Dr. Anderson started her career as a psychiatric nurse before she found her calling in higher education where she worked for over 40 years. She was named the first permanent Dean of The Ohio State University College of Nursing, a role that she held for 15 years. Dr. Anderson served as President of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing. In addition, Dr. Anderson established a counseling practice early in the AIDS epidemic to support patients and served on the Columbus AIDS Task Force, Columbus Board of Health, the Franklin County Alcohol, Drug Addiction, and Mental Health Board, and was recognized as a YWCA Woman of Achievement for her impact on the communities she served.

Dr. Anderson was inducted into the Academy in 1982.

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Brenda Lewis Cleary, PhD, RN, FAAN, former Executive Director, National Center for Nursing, passed away on June 5, 2023.

Dr. Cleary had a distinguished career in nursing, serving as Regional Dean of Nursing at Texas Tech University before her tenure as Executive Director of The North Carolina Center for Nursing and later the National Center for Nursing. Dr. Cleary was a vocal champion and advocate for both nurses and the nursing profession, and was frequently called upon to provide her expertise in national forums and to members of government. She grew more actively involved in politics, becoming the Democratic nominee for North Carolina's 13th District of the US House of Representatives in 2014.

Dr. Cleary was inducted into the Academy in 1994.

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Mary Patricia "Pat" Donahue, PhD, RN, FAAN, Professor Emeritus, University of Iowa College of Nursing, passed away on May 16, 2023.

After beginning her career at The Ohio State University, Dr. Donahue went on to teach at the University of Iowa for 30 years. During her tenure at UI, she initiated and oversaw the professional Masters in Nursing and Healthcare Practice Program. She was a recipient of many awards and is known for more than 100 articles, reviews, and books, most notably "Nursing: The Finest Art: An Illustrated History," for which the *American Journal of Nursing* awarded her the Book of the Year in 2010. She also served as President of the American Association for the History of Nursing from 1988 to 1990.

Dr. Donahue was inducted into the Academy in 1989.

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