ACTION ALERT: Getting the record straight on veteran care.

On this morning’s Morning Joe, Katty Kay, a reporter from BBC World News America, said that only 10% of veterans seek care at private facilities. (Watch at minute 3:36)

That is FALSE. In truth, nearly 75% of veterans use private facilities for care. As a result, it is vitally important that non-VA health professionals learn about the unique care of military veterans and their families.

Contact MSNBC and demand that they provide a correction:

- Send them a Tweet
- Write them on Facebook and Google+
- E-mail them.

Contact Katty Kay on Twitter and make sure she doesn't misstate this information again.

Misinformation only harms our veterans.

From the Academy President

If a journalist calls the Academy asking to interview someone with your expertise, will we find you in our database?

When PCORI (Patient-Centered Outcome Research Institute) asks us for recommendations for an advisory panel and you are the perfect match, will we know it?

The Academy has a database of all of our fellows, but it contains minimal information unless you provide us with the additional information that can help us identify someone with your expertise for various purposes.

In keeping with Strategic Goal #3: Position nurses to lead change to improve health and health care and drive policy, the Academy recently posted a list of
the appointments that our fellows hold, but it's only as complete as the information in the database.

Update your information today. We are working on new appointments and want to know about your experience and interests. I know that I search the database regularly to identify fellows with expertise in specific areas. And the Academy is working on refining this database. We'll alert you when it changes; but, for now, make sure we know about you.

Diana J. Mason
PhD, RN, FAAN
President

Fellows in the News

Veteran Health

A letter to the editor by Diana Mason, Academy president, and Linda Schwartz, Connecticut Veterans Affairs commissioner, was published in the New York Times. They wrote about the need for the private health sector to become more educated about their patients' military background.

Health Professionals Pay

Also in the New York Times, Connie M. Ulrich, associate professor, University of Pennsylvania, wrote a letter to the editor urging for pay equity for nurses.

School Nurses Save Money

Martha Engelke, professor, East Carolina University, commented in a Reuters article about a study showing that full-time RNs in schools saved money.

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Fellow Achievements

Maria R. Shirey, assistant dean, University of Alabama at Birmingham has been selected to receive the Alumni Legacy Leader Award from Indiana University.

Rhonda Anderson, CEO, Cardon Children's Medical Center in Mesa, Ariz, received the American Hospital Association's 2014 Award of Honor.

2014 AONE Awards

The Prism Diversity Award was given to Gaudia Banister, executive director of the Institute for Patient Care at Massachusetts General Hospital.

The Mentor Award was given to Pat McFarland, CEO, Association of California Nurse Leaders.

The Lifetime Achievement Award was given to Suzanne P. Smith, former editor-in-chief emerita, Journal of Nursing Administration.

The Honorary Member Award was given to Susan Hassmiller, senior adviser for nursing, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

Modern Health: Most Influential in Healthcare

Modern Health has announced its 100 Most Influential People in Healthcare competition. The Academy has a number of fellows and honorary fellows on the list. We hope you consider voting for them. Voting ends on June 13.

Fellows on the list:

- Geraldine "Polly" Bednash, CEO, American Association of Colleges of Nursing
- Karen Daley, president, American Nurses Association
- Risa Lavizzo-Mourey, president and CEO, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
- Beverly Malone, CEO, National League for Nursing
- Diana Mason, president, American Academy of Nursing
- Peter Pronovost, senior VP for patient safety and quality, Johns Hopkins Medicine
- Marla Weston, CEO, American Nurses Association

Make sure Academy fellows are on the final list! VOTE!

Service Opportunities

PCORI recently engaged Mathematica Policy Research and its partners—AcademyHealth, Palladian Partners, and WebMD—to develop a Dissemination & Implementation Action Plan for PCORI-funded research that can guide efforts to speed implementation and use of evidence in clinical decision-making and practice. Consider giving your input »

Narrative Inquiry in Bioethics will publish a collection of personal stories from war veterans (combat and non-combat) about meeting their health care needs. Veterans’ stories may address a variety of health care needs, and a variety of health care settings. Please contact the Academy for more information.
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**Early Bird Registration** is open. Ends July 15.

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