The Academy's second strategic goal is partnering with others to lead efforts to address the broad range of factors that affect the health of people. The Board identified three priority factors: violence, toxic stress in childhood, and nutrition. The Task Force on this objective is led by President-elect Bobbie Berkowitz and we expect to hear more about this work at the Policy Dialogue on Community Benefit at the annual conference in October.

Our work on nutrition is evolving. To date, most of it has arisen from the work of the Expert Panel on Breastfeeding. It has done an outstanding job of moving forward the policy work to promote breastfeeding as an intervention that improves the health, wellbeing, and bonding of infant and mother.

We also have Edge Runners who consider access to nutrition as key to health. 11th Street Family Health Service founder and director Patty Gerrity invites farmers around Philadelphia to hold farmer's markets at this health center; holds cooking classes that emphasize culturally-relevant nutrition; and has youth in the community tending an on-site garden. This occurs in a community that had no supermarket before 2011.

Advocating for supermarkets in communities is an evidence-based way to advance the health of communities, as was pointed out in a recent blog post for The Hill by Angela Glover Blackwell, founder and CEO of PolicyLink, and Risa Lavizzo-Mourey, President of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. They note that evidence from more than 300 studies shows that supermarkets promote healthy eating, improve health, promote jobs in communities, and increase property values.

While the Academy develops its work on addressing the priority factors, we can all spread the word about this intervention that works to promote the health of individuals, families and communities.

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If you’re interested in conducting research at the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), apply for the NCHS/Academy Health Health Policy Fellowship.

The NCHS/AcademyHealth Health Policy Fellowship program brings experts in health services research-related disciplines to the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) to conduct studies to address important issues in health policy.

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RWJF’s Culture of Health Initiative Now Includes Evidence for Action Endependent Investigator Award Program

The UCSF Center for Health and Community has been chosen by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to lead the Foundation’s “Evidence for Action” initiative. Along with that honor comes $9 million to support research on how specific interventions and policy changes may improve population health, well-being and equity.

Learn more about the program and how to submit a proposal.

ICYMI: Academy Announces 2015 Living Legends

The Academy has announced five individuals who will receive the designation of Living Legend for their contributions to nursing and health care over the course of their careers. Designation as a Living Legend is the Academy's highest honor. Read the full announcement.

Academy in the News:

The Academy's Choosing Wisely recommendation on fetal heart rate monitoring was covered in a recent article by the New Republic. The article cited that the Academy advises against routine use of EFM and quoted the statement that continuous EFM, "has been associated with an increase in cesarean and instrumental births." Read the full article.

Recently, the Academy partnered with Consumer Reports to create a brochure for consumers explaining the methods used to monitor a baby's heartbeat during labor, and when one might choose to use continuous monitoring. Download the brochure.

Fellow Achievements:

Linda L. Chlan, RN, PhD, FAAN, has been selected by the American Association of Critical-Care Nurses as its 2016 Distinguished Research Lecturer. Chlan is the Deans Distinguished Professor of Symptom Sandra Festa Ryan, MSN, RN, CPNP, FCPP, FAANP, FAAN, has joined Walmart Care Clinics as Vice President and will focus on growing its pilot program of low-cost, walk-in clinics.
Management
Research at The
Ohio State
University (OSU)
College of
Nursing. Her
research focuses
on testing
innovative,
patient-centered symptom
management interventions to
improve outcomes for patients
undergoing mechanical ventilation
in intensive care units. She is
nationally known as one of the first
to rigorously test music
intervention for critically ill patients
being mechanically ventilated.

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Career Opportunities

(Following are Paid Announcements)

The University of Tennessee, Knoxville College of Nursing seeks a
Professor or Associate Professor of
Gerontology. This nine-month, full-time position will
 teach; conduct and expand geriatric research; collaborate on geriatric initiatives
including the Pat Summitt Alzheimer’s Center;
and engage in internal and external activities. For best consideration, submit application by Sept. 21, 2015.

Full position details and how to apply.

The University of Michigan (U-M) seeks a prominent scholar with clear
communication skills, a collaborative leadership style,
and a commitment to diversity and interdisciplinary
activities to serve as the new Dean of the School of Nursing. An RN, graduate nursing degree, and
doctorate, along with deep experience in nursing leadership, education, and research appropriate for
appointment as a tenured full professor at U-M is required. Details can be found at
www.imsearch.com/5460 U-M is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action
Employer.

Full position details and how to apply.

Washington State University Tri-Cities invites applications and
nominations of doctoral-prepared faculty who will
hold an endowed Kadlec Distinguished Chair in
the College of Nursing. Faculty of these five
nine-month, tenure-track/tenured positions will hold the rank of Assistant,
Associate, or Full Professor, dependent upon their qualifications. Application
review begins Oct. 1.

Full position details and how to apply.

See other opportunities on the Academy jobs site.