President's Message: Future Leaders in Health Policy

All of us are involved in many professional organizations, some focus on practice, some on education, some on research, and some on policy. The Academy is the premier health policy organization whose mission is specific to the “transformation of health policy and practice through nursing knowledge”. We are committed to developing the expertise of our fellows and colleagues in nursing in health policy. We have multiple ways of carrying forward that vision; one in particular is our partnership with the Jonas Center in support of the Jonas Policy Scholars.

For the past two years the Jonas Center for Nursing and Veterans Healthcare has partnered with the Academy to support a new initiative intended to:

- Create a pipeline of doctoral and post-doctoral nursing scholars who will contribute to shaping practice, education, and research through policy.
- Provide a mechanism for the Expert Panels to mentor early career policy scholars on issues relevant to the expert panel's priorities.
- Utilize the skills of the policy scholars to support and advance the work of the expert panels in informing and shaping health policy.

http://www.aannet.org/academy-jonas-policy-scholars

After two very successful years with the Jonas Policy Scholars Program, we look forward to our next cohort of scholars. To review some of the activities of the past scholars please see the Academy site at https://aan.memberclicks.net/2015-jonas-policy-scholars.

Sincerely,

Bobbie Berkowitz, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN
President

New Academy Staff

Please welcome Ligia Duarte Botelho to the Academy as the Manager of the Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science. A graduate of King's College London in Public Policy and University of Colorado in International Affairs, Ligia is the staff liaison as well to the Global Health Expert Panel.
Policy Updates

The Academy was pleased to join with the APRN workgroup in providing comments to the draft Health Care Payment Learning & Action Network’s (LAN) draft white paper on the Alternative Payment Model (APM) Framework. The comments included the need to reduce barriers to the use of APRNs including the burdensome physician supervision requirements, APRNs being excluded from health plan networks, and not reimbursing for services that are within an APRN's state scope of practice. Academy CEO Cheryl Sullivan and former Academy Board member Eileen Sullivan-Marx attended the Health Care Payment Learning & Action Network Summit recently on the proposed alternative payment models framework.

2016 Dues Renewal

We are now collecting 2016 Dues

2016 Rates
Fellow: $495.00
Emeritus Fellow: $150.00

If you have not yet completed the form to renew your 2016 dues:

- Click here to pay by check
  (this is the Academy’s preferred payment method)

- Click here to pay by credit card
  (the Academy's preferred method of payment is by check, payment by other means is assessed a $6.95 convenience fee)

Important Dates to Keep in Mind:

- Renew by February 1, 2016 to avoid a late fee.
- A $100.00 late fee will be added to the applicable dues rates on February 2, 2016.
- If you do not renew your dues by April 1, 2016 your Academy fellowship will be lapsed.

2015 Annual Policy Conference

Thank you to those who attended the 2015 Transforming Health, Driving Policy Conference October 15-17 in Washington, DC.

Conference videos and photos for purchase are avaliable on the conference website.
AcademyHealth: Opportunity to Work With the Nation's Leading Delivery Systems

Start Your Application Now

The U.S. health system has dramatically evolved over the last few years – train with leading delivery systems using evidence to improve health and the performance of the health system. AcademyHealth’s Delivery System Science Fellowship offers a year-long learning opportunity for highly-qualified, post-doctoral researchers to gain more applied experience in a delivery system setting.

As part of this unique fellowship experience, individuals with a background in health services research or related fields are placed within leading delivery systems to apply and enhance their analytic skills and obtain hands-on training and professional development opportunities.

For the 2016 cycle, AcademyHealth is offering placements at eight prestigious host sites:

- Geisinger Health System
- Hofstra North Shore-LIJ School of Medicine
- Intermountain Healthcare
- Kaiser Permanente Southern California
- Mayo Clinic
- New York University Langone Medical Center
- Palo Alto Medical Foundation Research Institute
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Quality Enhancement Research Initiative (QUERI) and Health Services Research & Development Service (HSR&D)

Practice areas and roles at the specific host sites will depend on the Fellows’ experience and areas of interest, as well as institutional special interests. Please visit the DSSF Host Site webpage to learn about the unique professional development opportunities offered by each host site.

If you or others in your network are interested in learning more or applying for the 2016 Delivery System Science Fellowship, please visit www.academyhealth.org/dssf for more information, including Fellow testimonials and application information.

Applicants are required to submit a brief Intent to Apply form. Once the form is submitted, candidates will receive a confirmation email with a link to the full application, which requires an analytic writing sample, CV, statement of interest, and two letters of support. All application materials must be submitted by Friday, January 8, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. ET.

Application Deadline: Friday, January 8, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. ET

For questions, please contact DSSF staff at dssf@academyhealth.org.

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We are proud to acknowledge the generosity of our supporters and their commitment to the Academy. The list below represents Academy supporters who have made unrestricted gifts to the Rheba de Tornyay development fund and/or restricted gifts designated for the Institute for Nursing Leadership at the President's Circle level of $1,000 and above from September through November. Each dollar raised directly supports the Academy's mission of transforming health policy and practice through nursing knowledge.
Fellow Achievements

Jeri A. Milstead, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN, recently received two honors in October 2015. Dr. Milstead was inducted into the Cornelius Leadership Congress at the Ohio Nurses Association. This is ONA's "most prestigious" award and is named for Dorothy Cornelius, former CEO of ONA, president of ANA, and president of ICN. Dr. Milstead was also designated as the Mildred E. Newton Distinguished Educator by the Ohio State University College of Nursing Alumni Society. Again, this most prestigious award honors a nurse educator who has demonstrated sustained and innovative educational activities.

Pamela Klauer Triolo, PhD, RN, FAAN, was awarded the Sigma Theta Tau International Award for Nursing Excellence in the category of Media Nursing Print for her contemporary medical mystery series, \textit{Death Without Cause} (2013) and \textit{The Impostor: A Medical Mystery} (2014) featuring Latina nurse protagonist, Santos.

Janice M. Beitz PhD, RN, CS, CNOR, CWOCN, CRNP, APN-C, MAPWCA, ANEF, FAAN, was inducted into the National League for Nursing Academy of Nursing Education Fellows in October 2015. Dr. Beitz is professor of nursing and WOCNEP Director, School of Nursing-Camden, Rutgers University.

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