President's Message: Speaking Out

I have been deeply troubled by the unrest and violence looming large in the news, within our communities, schools, universities, across the nation and around the globe. It has resonated with so many of us and has become a major issue within the Presidential election. I recently sent a note to my own faculty, staff, and students at Columbia University School of Nursing to express my concern and encourage a way forward by speaking out.

As a Dean I am constantly mindful that our mission is to prepare expert nurse clinicians, researchers, and educators who will improve the health of individuals, families, and communities. In doing so, we examine the daily challenges of upholding our principles of health equity, respect for ethnic and cultural diversity, and the pursuit of social justice. So it is with profound sadness that we continue to observe violence and disregard for the values and principles of a just society. The recent outbreak involving our citizens and police has unsettled us, elicited anger at the ongoing racism in our society, and for many of us, created a sense of despair. We are responsible to our profession and to those we serve to seek ways to recognize, call out, and change this dynamic. Nursing is defined by its role in caring and healing. I can't imagine a more important place to put that role into action than the violence, racism, and hateful rhetoric that we see within our society and around the world.

Within the Academy we established an Expert Panel on Violence long before the recent surge in assaults across our country. I am proud that the Academy has made a commitment for strong advocacy and policy solutions to reduce and prevent violence. Our work in this area is needed more than ever, and I encourage each of our Fellows to make a commitment that we will work collectively to seek a way forward. I also encourage each of you to find a way to invite dialogue within your own workplace so that our clinicians, students, and colleagues know that we, Fellows of the Academy, understand how violence and racism adversely impact the health and wellbeing of society. We are leaders; let's lead on this issue.

Sincerely,

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

Policy Updates

The Academy submitted comments to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs on its proposed rule that would provide for full practice authority for all recognized advanced practice registered nursing roles. Drafted by the Military/Veterans Expert Panel, the comments confirmed the Academy’s
enthusiastic support for the proposed rule to provide the continuity, quality, and access to care in the VA that the service members experienced while in uniform. The Academy was pleased also to co-sign the Nursing Community's comments and the APRN Coalition's comments.

**Fellow Appointments: Institute for Nursing Leadership**

Congratulations to Donna Zucker, RN, PhD, FAAN, for her appointment to the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing by Governor Charles Baker. The Academy's Institute for Nursing Leadership facilitated the appointment, which runs through 2019. Dr. Zucker is Professor and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst College of Nursing. She was inducted into the Academy in 2010.

**2016 Policy Conference Registration is Now Open!**

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In Memoriam

The Academy mourns the passing of Doris Froebel, PhD, RN, FAAN, a major contributor to research in nursing administration. Dr. Froebel joined the nursing faculty at Indiana University in 1972 and served as Dean of Nursing at DePauw University (1974-79). She returned to IU to chair the Department of Nursing Administration and retired as Acting Associate Dean of Graduate Programs in 1994. Her forward thinking is evident by her 1976 book, *Quality Assurance Programs and Controls in Nursing* and her research on variables that influence consumer choice of nursing homes. Dr. Froebel was inducted into the Academy in 1976.

Fellow Achievements

**Patricia Ford-Roegner, MSW, RN, FAAN,** recently was awarded the Barbara Thomas Curtis Award by the American Nurses Association (ANA). The award recognizes significant contributions to nursing practice and health policy through political and legislative activity. Ms. Ford-Roegner, who has more than 30 years of experience in national health policy, is a former CEO of the ANA and now serves as Senior Policy Advisor at Amplify Public Affairs, LLC in Washington, DC. She was inducted into the Academy in 1998.

**Phyllis Horns, DSN, RN, FAAN,** has been awarded the North Carolina Hospital Association’s 2016 Meritorious Service Award for contributions that have advanced excellence in patient care, education and research, and her dedication to educating future health care professionals in the state. Dr. Horn is Vice Chancellor for Health Sciences at East Carolina University and previously was the longest-serving Dean at the ECU College of Nursing (19 years). She was inducted into the Academy in 2001.

**Gloria McNeal, PhD, MSN, ACNS-BC, FAAN,** will serve as Project Director of a $1.5 million grant from the Health Resources and Services Administration for National University to create and implement a Nurse-Managed Clinic that will use telehealth technologies to

**Bernadette Melnyk, PhD, RN, CPNP/PMHNP, FAAN,** was honored as 2016 Healthcare Educator & Advocate by Columbus Business First. The publication touted her efforts toward improving awareness of healthcare issues. Dr.
bring comprehensive medical care to residents of the Los Angeles neighborhood of Watts. Dr. McNeal is Dean of the School of Health and Human Services at National University. She was inducted into the Academy in 2006.

Dr. Melnyk, Dean of The Ohio State University College of Nursing and Associate Vice President for Health Promotion, was cited for her work to improve patient access to care and the launch of a nurse practitioner-led primary care practice. She was inducted into the Academy in 2002.

Jeanine Santelli, PhD, RN, AGPCNP-BC, FAAN, has been chosen as the first full-time Executive Director of the American Nurses Association-New York (ANA-NY). Dr. Santelli, a founding member of ANA-NY, was chosen for her "leadership and the nuts-and-bolts skills she brings to continue ANA-NY's growth." She previously was Professor and Chair of Nursing at Nazareth College. Dr. Santelli was inducted into the Academy in 2014.

Linda D. Scott, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN, has been selected to be the new Dean, School of Nursing at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She was formerly Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Nursing. Dr. Scott, whose recent research has focused on nursing fatigue and patient safety, was inducted into the Academy in 2008 and currently serves on its Board of Directors.

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Associate Dean for the School of Nursing and Health Professions, Director of the Nursing Program, Missouri Western State University

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