President's Message: The Academy's New "Front Door"

You recently received a message in your inbox heralding the coming of the Academy's new website; something we have dreamed about and worked toward over the past three years. I like to think of it as the new "front door" to the Academy that provides a fresh, modern stage for communicating with our Fellows and our external constituency about our leadership in health policy. The new site will be live soon - and at the same, familiar URL address (http://www.aannet.org). Here is what you'll find: communication about the ongoing work of our Expert Panels, information about our major initiatives and task forces, databases that will keep you up to date, tools that will enable you to easily update your profile and search for information, position statements and policy initiatives and so much more. I utilize our website a great deal and have been looking forward to the new, more intuitive site for some time!

Another new feature the Academy is hosting on our website is the Institute for Nursing Leadership's Appointments That Matter Essay Series. These essays provide practical information about board and leadership appointments as well as a collective wisdom from the Academy's exemplary leaders. The first essay, written by Angela Barron McBride, is on an overall strategy for board appointments. The latest essay, by Catherine Gilliss, examines the process for board appointments.

And, finally, don’t forget to register for the upcoming State of the Science Congress on Nursing Research "Determinants of Health" to be held on Sept. 15-17 at the Hilton Washington in DC. Information and registration can be found on the Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science website at http://www.nursingscience.org/2016

So much news! Please take the opportunity to visit the new website when it launches and explore your Academy!

Sincerely,

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

Volunteers Needed to Aid Louisiana Flood Victims

The American Red Cross is helping nearly 5,000 people in dozens of emergency shelters in Louisiana after devastating flooding and needs volunteers to assist their efforts. Fellows interested in volunteering should call the Red Cross at 855-489-2528 or sign up at volunteerlouisiana.gov.
**Policy Update**

**Staffing in Nursing Homes:** The Academy's policy pages of the September/October issue of *Nursing Outlook* will include the policy brief "Registered Nurse Staffing Requirements in Nursing Homes," prepared by the Expert Panel on Aging.

**Nominations for DHHS Committee**

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) seeks nominations for membership on the Medicare Evidence Development & Coverage Advisory Committee (MEDCAC). The Committee provides advice to the DHHS Secretary and the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) concerning the adequacy of scientific evidence available to CMS in making coverage determinations under Medicare. Nominations must be received by September 6, 2016. [Click here](#) for complete details and instructions.

When you apply, inform Kaylen Hickman ([Kaylen_Hickman@AANnet.org](mailto:Kaylen_Hickman@AANnet.org)) so that the Academy may write a letter of support.

**Academy Announces 2016 Cohort of Living Legends**

The Academy announced five nurse leaders to receive its highly acclaimed designation of Living Legend on August 10th. Congratulations to **Linda Burnes Bolton**, DrPH, RN, FAAN; **Ann Wolbert Burgess**, DNSc, APRN, BC, RN, FAAN; **Colleen Conway-Welch**, PhD, CNM, RN, FAAN FACNM; **Joyce J. Fitzpatrick**, PhD, MBA, RN, FAAN; and **Martha N. Hill**, PhD, RN, FAAN. These pacesetters will officially receive the Academy's highest honor during the Annual Policy Conference on October 20. [Read more about the 2016 Living Legends here](#).

**Academy 2016 Policy Conference**

Register Now for the 2016 Policy Conference
Register now for the 2016 Transforming Health, Driving Policy Conference. The three-day event, which will be held October 20 - 22, 2016 at the Marriott Marquis Washington, DC, will identify ways nurses are transforming health and building a better care delivery system. Don't miss this opportunity to network with colleagues and learn about the work nurses are undertaking to drive policy changes that meet the health needs of individuals and populations. Click here to register.

Conference Sponsorship: Reach Nursing's Most Influential Leaders

Support the 2016 Policy Conference! Click to view the sponsorship, advertising & exhibitor prospectus.

Council 2016 State of the Science Congress on Nursing Research

The 2016 Determinants of Health State of the Science Congress on Nursing Research will be held September 15 - 17, 2016 at the Washington Hilton in Washington, DC. There is only one month to go until the kick-off of this important learning and networking event. Click here to register!

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Stay Tuned for the New Website Launch!
Fellow Achievements

Elizabeth Henneman, RN, PhD, FAAN, has been selected as the 2017 Distinguished Research Lecturer by the American Association of Critical-Care Nurses. The award recognizes nurses whose research significantly influences high acuity and critical care. Dr. Henneman, an Associate Professor at the University of Massachusetts College of Nursing in Amherst, is widely known for her research on how nurses and physicians recover medical errors at the point of care. She was inducted into the Academy in 2008.

Nilda (Nena) Peragallo Montano, DrPH, RN, FAAN, has been selected as the new Dean of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Nursing. Dr. Peragallo Montano is currently Dean and Professor for the University of Miami School of Nursing and Health Studies and Professor on the graduate faculty at Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile School of Nursing. Her research has focused on improving health, with a particular focus on minorities and underserved populations. She was inducted into the Academy in 1999.

Have news to share? Let us know

Career Opportunities

(Following are Paid Announcements)

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The Associate Dean for Research leads the school’s research program and serves as a member of its senior leadership team. This is an opportunity to join a creative faculty, further develop and hire tenure-track research faculty, receive dedicated research staff support at both the school and university levels, and participate in transdisciplinary collaboration with researchers throughout UC Davis.

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