President's Message: Institute for Nursing Leadership

Are you aware that the Academy has a powerful group of Fellows working on your behalf to position nurses on key boards, councils and commissions at the state, national, international level? The Institute for Nursing Leadership (INL), one of our signature initiatives within the Academy, speaks to our Strategic Goal Three: Position nurses to lead change to improve health and health care and drive policy. They have created a set of actions to prepare Fellows for these leadership opportunities. In 2015 the Institute for Nursing Leadership members moved forward with a number of activities related to leadership:

- encouraged all of us to update our policy profiles so we are ready to recommend Fellows for appointments quickly
- developed a board-readiness tool to use in preparation for appointments
- identified the top categories for board appointments
- began the process of letting Fellows know of the work of the INL (FAAN mail, new Fellow orientation, website resources)
- offered a leadership workshop at our Academy policy conference in October 2015

Next up will be a series of essays by members of the INL on topics related to leadership, board appointments, importance of personal relationships, policy opportunities in a presidential election year, finding a mentor, and many more. The essays will be available on FAAN mail and then archived on the Academy website. You will be alerted that an essay has been posted through my Presidents message.

Please think of the INL as one of the many opportunities available through your membership in the Academy to engage in one of the pillars of our mission Serve the public and nursing profession by advancing health policy and practice through the generation, synthesis, and dissemination of nursing knowledge. Its all about leadership!

Sincerely,

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

Policy Updates
PCORI is announcing openings on its seven Advisory Panels. PCORI will consider all applications submitted before March 21, 2016 at 5:00 PM EST for these openings. The PCORI Advisory Panels are an important way to bring voices from across the healthcare community into its research work. Please review the seven Advisory Panels; when you apply, let Kaylen Hickman (Kaylen_Hickman@AANnet.org) know so that the Academy may write a letter of support.

In Memoriam

Elizabeth M. Tornquist, MA, FAAN, passed away unexpectedly at Duke Hospital on January 30, 2016. She was inducted as an Honorary Fellow of the Academy in 2003.

Elizabeth was a Duke University graduate with a BA in English and MA from University of Chicago. She served 30+ years as a lecturer and editor at UNC-Chapel Hill School of Nursing. A nationally known editor in nursing, Elizabeth visited monthly for many years to support faculty scholarship. She taught many students and faculty how to write well. Elizabeth worked with many schools and colleagues across the country doing what she did best, helping nurses to communicate effectively. Through her efforts to support nurses and nursing science much progress has been made in improving patient care and outcomes. More about Elizabeth's life and work can be viewed here.

Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science

2016 CALL FOR ABSTRACTS
The Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science is now accepting research abstracts for the 2016 National State of the Science Congress on Nursing Research Determinants of Health

Conference Dates and Location:
September 15-17, 2016: Washington Hilton Hotel, Washington, DC

The abstract submission website will be open January 11, 2016 at: http://www.conferenceabstracts.com/CANS2016.htm. You may edit your abstract through Friday, March 11, 2016. After March 11, 11:59 pm ET, your abstract is considered final and will be reviewed based on the content provided.

Call for Nominations
Deadline: February 15, 2016

Call for Awards
Deadline: April 13, 2016

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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 or Raise the Voice at the President's Circle level of $1,000 and above from January. Each dollar raised directly supports the Academy's mission of transforming health policy and practice through nursing knowledge.
Vicki Keough, PhD, APRN-BC, ACNP, FAAN, dean of the Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing at Loyola University Chicago, was elected to AACN’s Nominating Committee. Prior to assuming the role of dean in 2010, her long-time affiliation with the Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing includes service as associate dean for graduate programs (2003-2009) and faculty member (1993-2002). A well-respected community leader, she currently serves as vice chair of the Illinois Association of Colleges of Nursing and has served as past co-chair of the Illinois Health Action Coalition-Seamless Progression Task Force. Active in AACN’s Dean Mentoring program, Dr. Keough is a graduate of the AACN-Wharton Executive Leadership Program. A fellow of the American Academy of Nursing and the Institute of Medicine of Chicago, she has been recognized by the Emergency Nurses Association with the prestigious Judith Kelleher Award (2014) and the Frank Cole Emergency Nurse Practitioner Award (2007).

Jeannine Rivet, MPH, RN, FAAN, was appointed to the Abiomed, Inc. Board of Directors. Ms. Rivet is currently the Executive Vice President of UnitedHealth Group. She is also on numerous industry leadership boards.

Judy Beal, DNSc, RN, FNAP, FAAN, dean of the School of Nursing and Health Sciences at Simmons College in Boston, was re-elected as AACN board secretary. Since 1986, Dr. Beal has served in a variety of leadership roles at Simmons College, including professor, director of research, associate dean, interim dean, and dean. In her home state of Massachusetts (MA), she served as vice president of the MA Association of Colleges of Nursing, member of the MA Nursing and Allied Health Initiative Advisory Council for the Department of Higher Education, and co-chair of the MA Nurse of the Future Statewide Initiative. A fellow of the Harvard Institute of Management and Leadership in Education, Dr. Beal is an alumna of the RWJF Executive Nurse Fellows program and was named a fellow of the National Academy of Practice and the American Academy of Nursing. Her long-time affiliation with AACN includes service as Board member-at-large, chair of the Nominating Committee, and chair of the AACN/AONE Steering Committee on Academic-Practice Partnerships.
and councils, as well as a mentor to women in business. She has been recognized by AAHP, Boston University School of Public Health, Fortune magazine, Girl Scouts of Minnesota and Wisconsin River Valleys, and Minneapolis St. Paul Business Journal and Minnesotas City Business. Abiomed, Inc. is a leading provider of breakthrough heart support technologies and medical devices that provide circulatory support.

Have news to share? Let us know

Career Opportunities

(Following are Paid Announcements)

Tenure Track Faculty, Associate or Full Professor, The University of North Carolina, School of Nursing

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Nursing, a research intensive, top ranked school of nursing, seeks outstanding candidates for tenure track positions at the rank of Associate or Full Professor. Scholars are encouraged to apply if they have an established competitive program of research with sustained productivity and demonstrated interest in interdisciplinary collaboration.

We are particularly interested in recruiting faculty incorporating innovative research designs to address research in the following areas: symptom science, self-management, biophysiological research, implementation science, and big data science.

Please visit the following UNC-Chapel Hill Careers at Carolina website: http://unc.peopleadmin.com/postings/90917

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