President's Message: Help Shape National Health Policy

The call is now out for applications for the 2018-2019 National Academy of Medicine (NAM) Distinguished Nurse Scholar-in-Residence program. The program, initiated in 1992 to provide a year-long leadership opportunity for a nurse leader to actively participate in shaping health policy, is sponsored by the American Academy of Nursing, the American Nurses Association, and the American Nurses Foundation.

I believe this is an outstanding opportunity for a nurse leader to come to Washington, DC to shape policy, interact with other health fellows and scholars, and have an in-depth experience in an area of interest.

The current NAM Distinguished Nurse Scholar-in-Residence is Tener Goodwin Veenema, PhD, MPH, MS, RN, FAAN, an associate professor of nursing and public health at Johns Hopkins University. She is an internationally recognized expert in disaster and public emergency preparedness -- a timely topic area -- and plans to use her time at NAM to expand her leadership experience in interprofessional workforce readiness in public health emergencies. Here are two more examples of previous scholars whose work demonstrates the opportunities that exist.

- Maria Salmon, ScD, RN, FAAN, currently professor of nursing and global health at the University of Washington, was formerly chief nursing officer and director of the Division of Nursing at the US Department of Health and Human Services (1991-1997). She was the NAM Distinguished Nurse Scholar-in-Residence from 2012 to 2013. Her work at the NAM related to nursing and midwifery as avenues of opportunity for women in lower income countries around the world. Read more.

- Julie Fairman, PhD, RN, FAAN, currently Nightingale Professor of Nursing at the University of Pennsylvania, was the NAM Distinguished Nurse Scholar-in-Residence from 2009-2010. The experience afforded her the opportunity to participate as project staff in the development of the landmark 2010 Future of Nursing Report. Read more.

I whole-heartedly encourage fellows to apply for this immersion experience in policy development at the national level. Click here to apply. The deadline for application is January 31, 2018.

Sincerely,
Karen Cox, PhD, RN, FAAN
President

Policy Update

The Academy is pleased to join with the Nursing Community Coalition in cosigning a statement reinforcing the focus on the patient in response to the AMA’s House of Delegates Interim Meeting at which the delegates adopted an amended resolution to urge the AMA to convene an in-person meeting of stakeholders to initiate a national strategy to address the APRN Compact. The Nursing Community's statement noted that the AMA's action has the potential to impede access to care by qualified providers and complicates aspects of an interprofessional, team-based approach.

The policy brief, Vital role of school nursing in ensuring the health of our nation’s youth prepared by the Child/Adolescent/Family Expert panel, will be published in the January/February issue of Nursing Outlook.
New Addition to Institute for Nursing Leadership Essay Series

The Institute for Nursing Leadership essay series provides practical information and wisdom about board and leadership appointments from the Academy’s exemplary leaders. The newest addition to the collection is “Building the Business, Legal and Quality Case” by former Academy President Joanne Disch, PhD, RN, FAAN, in which she describes how to make a strong case for an organizational initiative in a competitive environment.

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Fellow Achievements

Angela Frederick Amar, PhD, RN, ANEF, FAAN, was named dean of the School of Nursing at the University of Nevada Las Vegas. Previously, she was associate professor and associate dean for undergraduate education at Emory University’s Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing. Dr. Amar, inducted into the Academy in 2011, is an advanced practice psychiatric nurse specializing in improving care for survivors of violence and trauma.

Kristin Ashford, PhD, WHNP-BC, FAAN, associate dean of undergraduate faculty affairs at University of Kentucky College of Nursing, received a $600,000 Hiltman Foundation Innovations in Care grant. The three-year award will focus on improving care for new and expectant mothers with opioid addiction and their children through age 2. The project will use web-based training for nurse facilitators and expand existing perinatal addiction and peer support services. Dr. Ashford was inducted into the Academy in 2015.

Constance Dahlin, MSN, ANP-BC, FPCN FAAN (left), and Judith Paice, PhD, RN, FAAN (right), were designated as
“Visionaries” of hospice and palliative medicine by the American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine for being critical to shaping the field. Dr. Dahlin, director of professional practice, Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association, was inducted to the American Academy of Nursing in 2009. Dr. Paice, director, Cancer Pain Program, Division of Hematology-Oncology, Northwestern University, was inducted in 1994.

Janie Heath, PhD, APRN-BC, FAAN, was recognized as an Inaugural Distinguished Alumni at the University of Oklahoma College of Nursing. This award recognizes graduates who demonstrate outstanding leadership related to the field of nursing or health care and who have made significant clinical, academic, or research contributions. Dr. Heath is dean of the University of Kentucky College of Nursing and was inducted into the Academy in 2007.

Tonda L. Hughes, PhD, RN, FAAN, has been named Henrik H. Bendixin Professor of International Nursing and director of global health research at Columbia University School of Nursing. Dr. Hughes holds a joint appointment in nursing and psychiatry and is affiliated with the Program for the Study of LGBT Health. Previously the associate dean for global health at the University of Illinois at Chicago, Dr. Hughes was inducted into the Academy in 2001.

Cheryl A. Krause-Parello, PhD, RN, FAAN, has been elected president of the International Society of Anthrozoology, which serves scholars and scientists working in the field of human-animal interactions. She is an associate professor and founding director of Canines Providing Assistance to Wounded Warriors (C-PAWW), a University of Colorado College of Nursing initiative for Veterans. Dr. Krause-Parello was inducted into the Academy in 2015.

Patricia A. Patrician, PhD, RN, FAAN, has been named the second holder of the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Nursing’s Rachel Z. Booth Endowed Chair in Nursing. Dr. Patrician, a retired US Army Colonel with 26 years of service in the US Army Nurse Corps, has a program of funded research focused on improving patient safety, quality care and nursing practice environments in military hospitals. She was inducted into the Academy in 2009.

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Graciela Patrician, PhD, RN, FAAN, is associate professor and director of global health research at Columbia University’s School of Nursing. Dr. Patrician, a retired US Army Colonel, is the second holder of the University of Alabama at Birmingham’s Chair in Nursing. Dr. Patrician is known for her work on expanding addictions services to include veterans and active duty military personnel. He has also been a key leader in the advancement of the field of nursing through the American Nurses Association and the American Academy of Nursing. Dr. Patrician’s work demonstrates the opportunities that exist for nurses to impact global health.

Click here to apply.

Applications will be accepted from February 15 to March 15, 2018.