



# FAAN Mail

## Academy & Fellow News

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### President's Message: New Year Priorities

Happy New Year!

The New Year is often a time to reflect on the past year's accomplishments and identify next year's goals and priorities. The Academy Board has done just that. To keep our work as focused as possible, the board of directors reflected on our [2017-2020 Strategic Plan](#), reviewed our 2017 accomplishments and set annual priorities from which the [24 expert panels](#) will develop their 2018 action plans. The five priority areas under the board umbrella of social justice/health equity and the Quadruple Aim include:



- Violence prevention
- Reproductive rights
- Opioid addiction
- Environmental health
- Toxic stress in children

Also identified were cross-cutting themes that are potentially relevant to all areas. These include:

- Big data/Informatics
- Bioethics
- Regulation
- Quality
- Global health

While these priorities were shared with expert panel leadership to plan their work, we see these as priorities for the entire fellowship and across all initiatives (only about one-third of fellows are members of an expert panel). By setting these priorities we aren't implying fellows and expert panels who are passionate and knowledgeable about a topic can't choose to develop relevant policy products. It is a matter of resources available.

Yet again, nurses were identified as the most trusted professionals. My hope is by aligning our work we can use this trust to impact evidence-based policy that improves the health of the population.

As always, I am interested in and open to your feedback.

Sincerely,

Karen Cox, PhD, RN, FAAN  
President

### Policy Update

The Academy was pleased to join a letter in support of a resolution introduced by Sens. Elizabeth Warren and David Perdue calling for the month of September to be designated Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS). The resolution represents the first time there has been a focus on PCOS in the U.S. Congress and is seen as an important step in advancing legislation around PCOS and co-morbidities to improve quality of care and health outcomes for millions of women and girls. The Academy's support is noted in Senator Warren's [press release here](#).

### Sponsor a Candidate for the 2018 Cohort of New Fellows

Help us continue the Academy's work by sponsoring new fellow candidates and supporting them with the application process. Fellows in good standing may sponsor a total of two applicants.

Sponsors and candidates should [visit here](#) to learn more about the selection

process, sponsorship requirements, and to access the [2018 application](#). Applications will be accepted **January 15–February 12, 2018**.

Please contact Member Engagement Manager [Joshua Poole](#) with any questions.

### Apply Now: NAM Distinguished Nurse Scholar-in-Residence Program

Apply now 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. 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. [Click here to apply by January 31, 2018](#).

### Support the Academy

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Your gift, at a level that is meaningful to you, is truly appreciated and is a critical investment in the future of nursing policy. The Academy is an independent 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and your financial gift is tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowable by law. With a donation of \$1,000 or more, you become a member of the President's Circle. Members of the President's Circle are invited to an exclusive reception hosted by the Academy President during the annual policy conference.



### Fellow Achievements

**Rhonda Anderson, DNS, RN, FACHE, FAAN**, was appointed to the 2018 American Nurses Credentialing Center Board of Directors, as well as the Medicaid Child Task Force of the National Quality Forum's Measure Applications Partnership. Dr. Anderson, who was CEO of Cardon Children's Medical Center in Mesa, Arizona, from 2009 to 2016, is currently a healthcare consultant for RMA Consulting. She was inducted into the Academy in 1993.



**Melissa Batchelor-Murphy, PhD, RN-BC, FNP-BC, FAAN**, associate professor at Duke University School of Nursing, was selected as a 2017-2018 Health and Aging Policy Fellow/American Political Science Association Congressional Fellow. Dr. Batchelor-Murphy was assigned to the majority staff on the US Senate Special Committee on Aging, chaired by Senator Susan Collins (R-MA). She was inducted into the Academy in 2017.



**Linda McGillis Hall, PhD, RN, FCAHS, FAAN**, received the 2017 Pat Griffin Scholar Award from the Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing. The award recognizes an established scholar with a strong program of research. A leader in nursing health services and systems research, Dr. Hall is the Kathleen Russell Distinguished Professor at the University of Toronto Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing. She was inducted into the Academy in 2007.



**Versie Johnson-Mallard, PhD, ARNP, FAANP, FAAN**, was named associate dean, student affairs at the University of Florida (UF). Previously she had been associate professor and department chair for Family, Community and Health System Science at the UF College of Nursing. Dr. Johnson-Mallard, inducted into the Academy in 2015, is an advanced practice women's health nurse practitioner specializing in HPV and cancer prevention.



**Mary Lou de Leon Siantz, PhD, RN, FAAN**, was honored by the National Hispanic Health Foundation as an outstanding role model who has advanced health care to underserved communities. Dr. De Leon Siantz is a professor at the Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at University of California-Davis. Inducted into the Academy in 1991, she is founding director of the UC Davis Center for the Advancement of Multicultural Perspectives on Science.



**Jean Wyman, PhD, RN, GNP-BC, FGSA, FAAN,**

professor at the University of Minnesota School of Nursing, was named the 2017 Rodney Appell Continence Care Champion by the National Association for Continence. The recognition honors lifetime of achievement in continence research and discovery. Dr. Wyman, co-director of the Deborah E. Powell Center for Women's Health, was inducted into the Academy in 1992.



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### Career Opportunities

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#### University of Tennessee Knoxville, College of Nursing

The University of Tennessee Knoxville College of Nursing invites applications for the following positions:



- [Executive Associate Dean for Academic Programs and Associate or Full Professor](#)
- [Assistant Dean for Graduate Programs and Assistant, Associate or Full Professor](#)
- [Assistant, Associate, or Full Professor Faculty Position in Health, Innovation, Technology & Simulation](#)

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#### The University of Toledo College of Nursing

**Associate Dean/Academic Affairs:** Reporting directly to the Dean of Nursing, the Associate Dean, Academic Affairs is an innovative leader responsible for working collaboratively with faculty, staff, students, and administrators. The Associate Dean will join a strong team of nurse educators that values interprofessional education in a time of substantial growth and new leadership for the College. The new Associate Dean will be responsible for accomplishing the mission, goals, and program outcomes for the academic programs in the College, as well as assisting with the recruitment and retention of nursing faculty.



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