President's Message: Pathway to FAAN

New fellow candidates are asked in their application, “How can you contribute to support the mission Academy in the future?” Our hope is that new fellows don’t see fellowship as merely honorific, but rather as a new responsibility. One responsibility is to sponsor new fellows. We have 2,500 fellows and only 18% ever serve as sponsors. We need that percentage to increase in order to spread our influence. If you agree that the fellowship should be made up of the top 0.1% of nurses who are leaders in their field, then the Academy should be comprised of approximately 3,400 fellows. Our effort to increase the number of applications is NOT an attempt to increase revenue, although that would be a positive byproduct. The purpose is to ensure that qualified nurses from all sectors are applying when they are ready, and that they engage sponsors to support them. The following is an update from the Pathways to FAAN Task Force.

The Academy’s Board of Directors established the Pathways to FAAN (P2FAAN) Task Force in early 2017 to develop and implement programs that will increase the number and diversity of candidates who apply to become Academy fellows. The P2FAAN Task Force members are: Patricia Reid Ponte (chair), Jeffrey Adams, Virginia Adams, Bobbie Berkowitz, Kathy Bower, Donna Gage, Chandice Covington, David Keepnews and Linda Scott (Board liaison).

Among the initiatives prioritized for 2018 is the Academy Candidate Mentorship Program – and we need your help. The P2FAAN Task Force seeks the participation of 25 Academy fellows in the pilot of the Academy Candidate Mentorship Program. One of the major expectations of fellows is that they serve as candidate sponsors. The primary goal of the mentorship program is to develop mentors to prepare mentees to apply for fellowship and then serve as a sponsor for the mentee.

This Academy Candidate Mentorship Program will provide fellows with the opportunity to directly influence the Academy’s growth and diversity and to enjoy a rewarding mentor-mentee relationship while meeting your Academy expectations. We are specifically seeking fellows who would volunteer to serve as mentors for one of three groups of individuals:

- Emerging nurse leaders who aspire to become fellows within 5-8 years;
- Nurse leaders who believe they are almost ready and will apply within 2-3 years; and
- Nurse leaders who would like to apply to be a fellow in the upcoming application cycle (January/February, 2019).

Many early or mid-career nurse leaders do not have access to a current fellow to assist them in creating a plan for developing an impactful practice that will be worthy of Academy fellowship. Others believe they are ready to apply now. Both require the guidance and support of a mentor who has the experience to assist them in pulling together an application.

Please consider being a mentor. Details of the mentor application process will be forthcoming. We are seeking mentors from a diverse set of service sectors and geographic regions. There will be an online orientation process to provide mentors with the tools to guide mentees on a “Path to FAAN.”

Sincerely,

Karen Cox, PhD, RN, FAAN
President

Policy Update

The Academy issued a statement on May 23rd urging the Trump-Pence Administration to remove the “gag” rule on Title X – one of the nation’s primary birth control and reproductive health care programs. The gag rule prohibits health care providers, including nurses and nurse practitioners, from referring their patients for safe, legal abortion and removes the guarantee that a Title X patient
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The Academy’s 2018 Policy Conference will be held or call. For full details, visit here.

The abstract submission deadline is September 3. Access the Edge Runner application and criteria here. Direct any questions to Policy & Grants Manager Kim Czubark.

Have you or a nurse colleague designed an innovative model of care or intervention? If so, the Academy encourages you or your colleague to apply to become an Academy Edge Runner. Applicants do not need to be an Academy fellow. The final application deadline for 2018 is September 3. Access the Edge Runner application and criteria here. Direct any questions to Policy & Grants Manager Kim Czubark.

On May 30th, the Academy issued a statement of support for the World Health Organization’s World No Tobacco Day (May 31). Focused on the impact of tobacco use on coronary heart disease and stroke, World No Tobacco Day 2018 aligned with the Academy’s mission to advance health policy, practice and science, as well as its goal to influence the development and implementation of policy that improves the health of populations.

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. Our newest addition to the collection is “Beginning a Career in Board Service: Perspectives on a Consultation,” by Catherine L. Gilliss, PhD, RN, FAAN and Alison Atwater, MSN, RN. This piece, written in side-by-side columns by advisor and advisee, offers a glimpse into a one-hour consultation on how to join a board. Access all of the INL essays here.

The Academy invites you to submit abstracts for the 2018 Transforming Health, Driving Policy Conference. Abstracts are welcome that showcase nurses as advocates, policy makers, change agents, strategists, and scientists. The overarching goal is to demonstrate how the work of nurses results in initiatives that lead and shape health care and health policy advancements. The abstract submission deadline is June 25, 2018. For more information and to submit an abstract, click here.

Registration is open! The Academy’s 2018 Policy Conference will be held November 1-3, 2018 at the Marriott Marquis Washington, DC. Don’t miss out on engaging speakers, interesting sessions, networking with colleagues, the Living Legends Ceremony & Dinner, and the Induction Ceremony & Soirée. Register here. You can also reserve your hotel room at the Marriott Marquis today.

2018 Policy Conference

The Preliminary Program for the 2018 State of the Science Congress on Nursing Research - Precision Health is now available! Register by June 29, 2018 to take advantage of early-bird discounts. View the Preliminary Program and register here.

Learn about sponsorship, exhibiting, and advertising opportunities available at the 2018 State of the Science Congress by viewing the Prospectus, available here.
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Fellow Achievements

Elizabeth Ayello, PhD, RN, CWON, MAPWCA, FAAN, received the Hunter College Alumni Association’s 2018 Award for Outstanding Professional Achievement for her numerous international contributions to the prevention of pressure injuries, diabetic foot ulcers, and other chronic wound and skin conditions. Dr. Ayello is a clinical editor for *Advances in Skin and Wound Care* and a faculty member at Excelsior College in Albany, New York. She was inducted into the Academy in 2002.

Christopher Lance Coleeman, PhD, MS, MPH, FAAN, was selected as the inaugural associate dean, Indiana University School of Nursing, Fort Wayne Campus. He is responsible for the School of Nursing’s administration, teaching, and scholarship activities on this campus. He previously served as chair of the department of health promotion and disease prevention at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center, College of Nursing. He was inducted into the Academy in 2007.

Phyllis S. Hansell, EdD, RN, FNAP, FAAN, received the R. Louise McManus Medal – the highest honor bestowed by the Columbia University Nursing Education Alumni Association – for her scholarly achievements and distinguished contributions to nursing. Dr. Hansell, who served as dean of the Seton Hall University College of Nursing for 15 years, currently serves as professor in the College of Nursing’s Graduate Department. She was inducted into the Academy in 2001.

Salimah Meghani, PhD, RN, FAAN, was appointed to the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine Planning Committee on Pain and Symptom Management for People with Serious Illness in the Context of the Opioid Crisis. The committee will develop a workshop on this topic. Her research area is palliative care and disparities in symptom management. An associate professor at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing, she was inducted into the Academy in 2012.

Linda Sarna, PhD, RN, FAAN, dean of the UCLA School of Nursing, received the 2018 Oncology Nursing Society Lifetime Achievement Award for her outstanding career contributions to the field of oncology nursing and to the organization. Her research involves lung cancer patients and their families, and the role of oncology nurses in tobacco control. She was recognized in 2017 by the Academy as an Edge Runner for her Tobacco Free Nurses program. Dr. Sarna was inducted as a fellow in 1994.

Gwen Sherwood, PhD, RN, ANEF, FAAN, was recognized as the 2018 Distinguished Alum at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (UNC) School of Nursing. Dr. Sherwood, a 1970 alumnus of the UNC MSN program, is associate dean for global initiatives at UNC Chapel Hill and a leader in the Nursing Now initiative. Her scholarship focus has been on patient satisfaction with pain management, particularly from a multicultural perspective. She was inducted into the Academy in 2001.

Patsy Yates, PhD, RN, FACN, FAAN, is the first researcher outside of North America to receive the Distinguished Researcher Award from the Oncology Nursing Society. She is head of Queensland University of Technology’s School of Nursing and director of its Centre for Palliative Care Research and Education. Her work has focused on common problems experienced by cancer patients, such as difficulty breathing and nausea. She was inducted into the Academy in 2013.

Have news to share? Let us know.
Call for Abstracts: CWRU Nursing Theory Conference

Nursing Theory: A 50 Year Perspective, Past and Future

This conference will be held March 21-22, 2019 at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland. It will explore two themes: the disciplinary perspective of nursing and the structure of nursing knowledge. All abstracts must address one or both of these themes. For full details, visit here.

The abstract submission deadline is September 1, 2018. Click here to download the abstract submission form. For more information, contact Maureen Kendel at mtr2@case.edu or call 216.368.2641.

Career Opportunities

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Loyola University Chicago – Dean, Marcella Niehoff School Of Nursing

Loyola University Chicago (Loyola) invites nominations and applications for an entrepreneurial and collaborative Dean of the Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing (MNSON) who can take a strong and vibrant school to greater heights. MNSON, part of Loyola’s Health Sciences Division, prepares nurses, dietitians, nutritionists, fitness professionals, and healthcare administrators through its undergraduate, master’s, doctoral, and certificate programs offered across three of the university’s four campuses and online.

Loyola has retained Isaacson, Miller, a national executive search firm, to assist in this search. For a full position description and application information, click here.

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