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The American Academy of Nursing announces the John A. Hartford Foundation & Atlantic Philanthropies 2011-2013 Fellows and Scholars in Academic Geriatric Nursing

Building Academic Geriatric Nursing Capacity has supported over 200 Fellows and Scholars to date

Washington, DC (May 23, 2011) – The American Academy of Nursing (AAN) today announced over \$2 million in awards to its latest cohort of fellows and scholars studying geriatric nursing in academic settings across the United States.

Seven Claire M. Fagin postdoctoral fellows will each receive \$120,000 to support advanced research training, mentorship, leadership and career development. Fifteen predoctoral scholars will receive a scholarship of \$100,000 to support their doctoral training and launch careers in academic geriatric nursing; fully one-third of this group of scholars is a member of an underrepresented minority. In addition, four students will each receive an additional \$5,000 from the Mayday Fund to support their work which focuses on pain in elders.

Since 2000, BAGNC has had the generous backing of the John A. Hartford Foundation, augmented with monies from The Atlantic Philanthropies, the Mayday Fund, and the Jonas Foundation. These four partners have invested over \$80 million in national efforts to build academic geriatric nursing capacity through their support of this program.

Over the past decade, the Academy notes the enormous growth in the field of gerontological nursing—with concomitant gains in the research base underpinning high quality care for elders. The Academy's 216 BAGNC alumnae stimulate excitement about the field among nursing students and practicing nurses. They are the leaders who will shape future care for older persons.

"The Academy's BAGNC program contributes towards important recommendations of the IOM's report on the Future of Nursing legislation that the nation provide more leadership training and opportunities for nurses and that we increase the number of doctorally prepared nurses," said AAN President Catherine L. Gilliss, DNSc, RN, FAAN. "Our deeply skilled scholars continue to make commitments to improving care for aging patients."

The BAGNC Program directly addresses recommendations of the recent report of the Institute of Medicine (IOM) on the Future of Nursing. The IOM report recognizes the importance of increasing the number of doctorally prepared nurses to increase the numbers of nurse faculty and researchers, with attention to increasing diversity. BAGNC is committed to achieving this goal. The leadership component of the program will address another recommendation of the IOM report to prepare the nursing workforce to assume leadership positions across all levels.

Our 2011 Cohort of BAGNC Scholars and Claire M. Fagin Fellows are a highly qualified group of dedicated gerontological nurses who will strengthen the knowledge base in such areas as family caregiving, home health and hospice care, care for persons with stroke, and critical illness in elders.

Fellowship and Scholarship Recipients

2011-2013 Claire M. Fagin Fellows:

Susan Lowey
University of Rochester

Todd Monroe
Vanderbilt University School of Nursing

Deborah Rosenbloom-Brunton*
Pennsylvania State University, MGH Institute of Health Professions

Tatiana Sadak
University of Washington

Hsin- Yi (Jean) Tang
Seattle University

Mark Toles
Duke University

Catherine Van Son
Washington State University

2010-2012 Predoctoral Scholars:

Joan Carpenter
University of Utah

Emilie Dykstra
Michigan State University

Catherine Fiala
University of Iowa

Andrea Gilmore
University of Wisconsin

Toni Glover
University of Florida

Rachel Klimmek
Johns Hopkins University

Lauren Massimo
University of Pennsylvania

Paula Nagy
Oregon Health & Science University

Carrie Plummer
University of Tennessee

Aditi Rao
University of Pennsylvania

Rachel Roiland
University of Wisconsin

Rafael Romo
University of California, San Francisco

Jennifer Seaman
University of Pittsburgh

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