

Sigma Mission

The mission of the Sigma, is advancing world health and celebrating nursing excellence in scholarship, leadership, and service.

Society Vision

Sigma's vision is to be the global organization of choice for nursing.

History

In 1922, six nurses founded Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing, today known as Sigma at the Indiana University Training School for Nurses, which is now the Indiana University School of Nursing, in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA. The founders chose the name from the Greek words storgé, tharsos, and timé, meaning love, courage, and honor.

Membership

Sigma membership is by invitation to baccalaureate and graduate nursing students who demonstrate excellence in scholarship and to nurse leaders exhibiting exceptional achievements in nursing. Here are some additional facts about our membership:

- Sigma has more than 135,000 active members.
- Members reside in more than 90 countries.
- 39 percent of active members hold master's and/or doctoral degrees; 51 percent are in staff positions; 19 percent are administrators or supervisors; 18 percent are faculty/academics; and 12 percent are in advanced practice.
- There are roughly 520 chapters at more than 700 institutions of higher education throughout Armenia, Australia, Botswana, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, England, Ghana, Hong Kong, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Lebanon, Malawi, Mexico, the Netherlands, Pakistan, Philippines, Portugal, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Swaziland, Sweden, Taiwan, Tanzania, Thailand, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America.
- Sigma communicates regularly with more than 100 nurse leaders who have expressed interest in establishing chapters globally, including those in Chile, China, Costa Rica, Denmark, Finland, India, Ireland, Israel, Germany, Jamaica, New Zealand, and Spain.

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Tuesday, April 24, 2018

Eta Pi Spring 2018 Scholarship Day

UNIVERSITY OF
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College of Nursing



Eta Pi Chapter

4:30pm-5:00pm

Gathering, Refreshments, Welcome

(2nd floor Clow – Clow 210J)

Dr. Bonnie Nickasch, DNP, APNP, FNP-BC

Director, DNP FNP Emphasis

Eta Pi President

Dr. Brent MacWilliams, PhD, MSN, RN, APNP, ANP-BC

Post-Licensure Programs Director and Assistant Dean

MSN CNL Student Poster Presentation

Improving Patient Discharge Times through Care Team Coordination

Kristina Foshag, BSN, RN, CNL Candidate

Dr. R. Shelly Lancaster, PhD, RN

Improving the Evaluation Process in Hemodialysis Patients Not Reaching a 4.0 g/dl Albumin Level

Jill Saxton, BSN, RN, CNL Candidate

Dr. Brent MacWilliams, PhD, MSN, RN, APNP, ANP-BC

Implementation of a Quality Data Board to Promote Communication of Performance Results and to Enhance Process Improvement

Danielle Smith, MSN, BSN, RN, CNL Candidate

Dr. Deb Walrath, RN, MSN, DHA, CCHP

Reducing Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) Readmissions

Caila Weyenberg, BSN, RN, CNL Candidate

Dr. Jason Mott, PhD, RN, CNE

5:00-5:30 pm Breakout Session 1

Clow 223

Implementing Nitrous Oxide for Laboring Women

Kimberly Goodacre, RN, BSN

Billie Jo Cornett, MSN, RN

ThedaCare Regional Medical Center-Neenah

Clow 232

Prediabetes Prevention

Donna Hawley, MSN, BSN, RN, DNP candidate

Dr. Judy Westphal PhD, RN, NE-BC

Clow 233

Intimate Partner Violence Screening in a Primary Care Setting

Scott Rogalsky, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Kathleen Elertson, DNP, APNP, CPNP, FNP-BC

Clow 234

The Financial Impact of a Nurse Driven Free Clinic

Erin Stillmank, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. R. Shelly Lancaster, PhD, RN

Clow 241

Improving Adherence to Chlamydia Rescreening Guidelines in a Student Health Center: A Quality Improvement Project

Kaitlin Engle, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Brent MacWilliams, PhD, MSN, RN, APNP, ANP-BC

5:30-6:00 pm Breakout Session 2

Clow 223

The Implementation of a School Nurse Screening for Exercise Induced Bronchoconstriction

Erin Zerst, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Michelle Lehr, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC

Clow 232

Algorithm for Breastfeeding Support: A Scholarly Project

Caroline Abel, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Kathleen Elertson, DNP, APNP, CPNP, FNP-BC

Clow 233

Reducing Hospital Readmissions within 30 Days: The Implementation of an RN Care Coordinator to Manage Care of Patients with Heart Failure in a Primary Care Clinic

Mary Beck Metzger, BSN, MSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Catherine Schmitt, PhD, RN, CNOR

Clow 234

Students with the Diagnosis of Gender Dysphoria Seeking Medical Transition

Kristin Gardon, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Brent MacWilliams, PhD, MSN, RN, APNP, ANP-BC

Clow 241

Measuring Patient Knowledge using an Educational Video for Hispanic Patients with Diabetes

Ramon Pena Galvan, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Laura Smolinski, PhD, RN, CEN

6:00-6:30 pm Breakout Session 3

Clow 223

Usage of Professional Continuous Glucose Monitoring (CGM) in Rural Primary Care

Samantha Riehle, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Bonnie Nickasch, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC

Clow 232

Reducing Polypharmacy in a Skilled Nursing Facility

Emily Pohl, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Kathleen Elertson, DNP, APNP, CPNP, FNP-BC

Clow 233

Implementation of an Alert Fatigue Guideline

Christine McGee, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Brent MacWilliams, PhD, MSN, RN, APNP, ANP-BC

Clow 234

Clinical Aromatherapy Program for Quality of Life in Nursing Home

Ann Rojaz, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Judith Westphal, PhD, RN, NE-BC

Clow 241

Reevaluating Proton Pump Inhibitors

Ashley McGuire, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Paula McNiel, DNP, RN, APHN-BC

6:30-7:00 pm Breakout Session 4

Clow 223

Evidence Based Practice for Managing Patients with Acute Bronchitis

Marie Beranek, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Bonnie Nickasch, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC

Clow 232

The Effect of Targeted Educational Interventions on Opiate Prescribing Practices: A Quality Improvement Project

Dylan Valentine, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Kathleen Elertson, DNP, APNP, CPNP, FNP-BC

Clow 233

Improving Patient Satisfaction with Triage Nursing

Leah Miller, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Brent MacWilliams, PhD, MSN, RN, APNP, ANP-BC

Clow 234

From a Patient's Perspective: Evaluating Patient Satisfaction with Nurse Practitioners

Claire Piepkorn, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Mary Kate Friess, DNP, FNP-BC, APNP

Clow 241

My Connection: Improved Access to Mental Health Services

Ashlee Hanford-Longsine, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Bonnie Schmidt, PhD, RN, CNE

7:00-7:30 pm Breakout Session 5

Clow 223

Find Time for Fitness Module Intervention: Pilot Quality Improvement to Prevent Type 2 Diabetes

Emily Bee, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Mary Kate Friess, DNP, FNP-BC, APNP

Clow 232

Implementation and Evaluation of a Prediabetes Prevention Program in the Workplace

Jessica Habeck, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Bonnie Schmidt, PhD, RN, CNE

Clow 233

Effect of Educational Materials and Reminder Systems on HPV Vaccine Rates in Adolescents

Megan Cassai, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Timothy Wren, DNP, RN

Clow 234

Mental Health Literacy: A Quality Improvement Project

Brittany Walczyk, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Judith Westphal, PhD, RN, NE-BC

Clow 241

Improving Childhood Lead Screening Using Readily Available Data: Lead Poisoning Prevention Through Outreach At the City of Menasha Health Department

Kathleen Sheridan, BSN, RN, DNP Candidate

Dr. Morgan Bailey, MBA, DNP