



Fall 2020

Kent State University College of Nursing, Henderson Hall, Room 214




Dear Colleagues,

Although this semester may not look quite the same, we are excited for the approach of fall and assisting faculty and students with their scholarly endeavors. Despite the challenges we've all encountered resulting from the pandemic, CON faculty researchers have enjoyed remarkable success this year. Over the past year, grant proposal submissions increased by 116% with nearly \$3.2 million in grant awards for faculty serving as principal or co-investigators, a truly outstanding accomplishment. We are very proud of faculty members' success with funded research projects and eager to help with upcoming proposals this year.

As part of our commitment to support research at the College of Nursing, we plan to implement an internal research and innovation program made available through donor funds. At this year's first Brown Bag Engagement Series presentation, Corey Hukill, Director of Advancement, and I introduced this new initiative and discussed types of endowments and resources available within the College of Nursing to support research and innovation. More information about this potential source of funding will be released in the coming weeks.

Slated for March 24-27, the 45th annual Midwest Nursing Research Society (MNRS) Conference will be hosted by the University of Iowa College of Nursing and take place in Des Moines, Iowa. Between now and October 2nd, we are accepting abstracts for the student poster competition. Please see additional information and submission details in this edition of the newsletter.

Best wishes for a safe and productive Fall semester as we continue our forward momentum during a chaotic time.



Mary K. Anthony, PhD, RN
Professor, Associate Dean for Research

Faculty Recognitions



Loretta Aller, PhD, RN, gave a presentation, "Preparing Our Future Nurses: A New Model for Undergraduate Nursing Education," for the *Nurse Educator* podcast series, Nurse Educator Tips for Teaching.

Mary K. Anthony, PhD, RN, will serve as President-Elect for the Midwest Nursing Research Society Foundation.

Mary K. Anthony, PhD, RN, **Debra Cifani**, DNP, RN, **Eldy Lazaroff**, DNP, CNP-BC, **Lorene Martin**, MSN, RN, CNRP, **Lisa Onesko**, DNP, APRN-BC, **Denise Pacholski**, DNP, RN, CNP, and **Denice Sheehan**, PhD, RN, FPCN had the stories of their nursing career journeys published over the last few months on the Northeast Ohio Year of the Nurse website at yon2020neo.com, an initiative spearheaded by the Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing at Case Western Reserve University.

Alice Colwell, MSN, CNE, RNC-NIC & **Kimberly DePaul**, MSN, CNE, RNC-OB successfully passed their CNE exam and are credentialed as Certified Nurse Educators.

Mariann Harding, PhD, RN, CNE, Kent State University at Tuscarawas, was appointed to the national Organization for Associate Degree Nursing (OADN) Covid-19 Task Force to help identify best nursing education practices to address changes to the nursing teaching and learning process resulting from the pandemic.

Denise M. McEnroe-Petite, PhD, RN, Kent State University at Tuscarawas, was selected for induction into the Organization for Associate Degree Nursing (OADN) Academy for Associate Degree Nursing (AADN).

Yvonne Smith, PhD, APRN-CNS, received the Delta Omega Chapter STTI "Excellence in Nursing Research" Award during a virtual ceremony on May 26th.

New Grant Awards



Dana Hansen, PhD, APRN, ACHPN (Principal Investigator), **Tracey Motter**, DNP (Co-Investigator), and **Jennifer Shanholtzer**, MSN, PhD Candidate, RN, CHSE (Simulation Director) were recently funded by the Josiah Macy Jr. Foundation with a President's Grant award. Their study, *Catalyzing Relationships at the End of Life (CAREol) Program*, will be conducted in collaboration with NEOMED faculty to help ensure the competencies of new healthcare providers to facilitate vital family communication at the end of life.

Jim Tudhope, DNP, APRN, PMHNP-BC (Principal Investigator), **Wendy Umberger**, PhD, RN, PMHCNS-BC (Co-Investigator), and Drs. Jeffrey Moore and Vikil Girdhar (Co-Investigators, Portage Path Behavioral Health) were funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), an agency of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Their project, *Advanced Nursing Education Nurse Practitioner Residency Integration Program*, will prepare and increase the number of new behavioral health nurse practitioners in northeast Ohio.

Faculty Interview

In recognition of National Nurses Week last May, David Hassler, Director of the Wick Poetry Center, engaged in an interview through the Association of Writers & Writing with **Mary K. Anthony**, PhD, RN, **Taryn Burhanna**, MSN, RN, and Katie Daley, teaching artist for the Wick Poetry Center, to discuss the "Some Days" Community Poem Project. "Some Days" reflects the experiences of healthcare providers in northeast Ohio and is installed on a painted mural on the first floor of Henderson Hall. A link to the interview may be found at

https://www.awpwriter.org/magazine_media/writers_news_view/4703/writers_in_conversation_with_david_hassler_katie_daley_dr._mary_k._anthony_taryn_burhanna_on_the_some_days_community_poem_project

Scholarly Presentation

Wang, Y., Ciesla, J. A., Chuang, H., Chou, H., & Zausaniewski, J. A. (2020, September). *Relationship between optimism and restrained eating: The role of resourcefulness*. Poster presented at the 2020 Taiwan International Nursing Conference endorsed by the International Council of Nurses, Taipei, Taiwan. (Dr. Wang pictured at right)

Faculty Publications

Hebeshy, M., **Hansen, D. M.**, Broome, B., Abdou, S. A., Murrock, C., & Bernert, D. (in press). Development of the nurses' intention to use Deep Vein Thrombosis Preventive Measures Questionnaire. *Journal of Nursing Measurement*.

Kanan, S., Shahrour, G., Broome, B., Bernert, D., Alibrahim, M., & **Hansen, D.** (in press). Predicting intentions to physical activity in Jordanian patients with coronary artery disease: Impact of attitudes, subjective norms, and perceived behavioral control. *British Journal of Cardiac Nursing*.

Manns-James, L., **Anthony, M. K.**, & Neal-Barnett, A. (in press). Racial discrimination, racial identity and obesity in collegiate African American women. *Journal of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities*.

Petrinec, A., Crowe, M., Flanagan, K., & Baker, J. (2020). Health-related quality of life of older women religious: Negative influence of frailty. *Western Journal of Nursing Research*, 1-9. doi.10.1177/0193945920936171

Reed, J., Dodson, T., & Ferdig, R. (2020). High-flow nasal cannulas: Risks and benefits in response to COVID-19. *American Nurse*. <https://www.myamerican-nurse.com/high-flow-nasal-cannulas-risks-and-benefits-in-response-to-covid-19/>

Smith, Y., Cleveland, K., Fisher, J., & Kleman, C. (2020). The use of faculty policy teams for advancing policy advocacy and collegiality. *Nursing Forum*. Advance online publication. <https://doi.org/10.1111/nuf.12473>

Taber, J., Stacey, C., & **Sheehan, D.** (2020). Understanding hospice patients' beliefs about their life expectancy: A qualitative interview study. *American Journal of Hospice Medicine*. doi.10.1177/1049909120948486

Wang, Y., Ha, S., Watkins, T., Kan, K., & Zausaniewski, J. A. (2020). Enrollment challenges: Recruiting children from diverse racial and ethnic communities to a study of physical activity and perceived stress. *Journal of Transcultural Nursing*. doi.org/10.1177/104365962095256.



Student Research

DNP Defense: The following students defended their scholarly projects and graduated with their DNPs:



Denise Pacholski, *Patient Feedback Regarding Telehealth* (Dr. Lynn Gaddis, Chair; Drs. Marilyn Nibling and Lisa Onesko, members; Dr. Sandra Siedlecki, mentor).



Laura Kraus, *Evaluating Telepsychiatry in a Rural Skilled Nurse Facility* (Dr. Wendy Umberger, Chair; Drs. James Tudhope and Andrea Warner-Stidham, members; and Dr. Wayne Tasker, graduate faculty representative & moderator).

PhD Defenses: The following student defended his dissertation and graduated with his PhD:

Juan Del Valle, *In the Hour of Their Great Necessity: The Hodgins/Grile Collaboration* (Dr. Pamela Stephenson, Chair; Drs. Denice Sheehan and Timothy Scarnecchia, members; & Dr. Kenneth Bindas, graduate faculty representative & moderator).



Licensing and Credentialing Exams

Over the past few months, CON students and faculty had to navigate new pathways for success despite the many disruptions caused by COVID-19. Congratulations to both faculty and their students who passed licensing or credentialing exams during this challenging time! Your perseverance and resilience are inspiring.

Brown Bag Engagement Series

This year's first Brown Bag Engagement Series presentation by **Mary K. Anthony**, Professor and Associate Dean for Research and **Corey Hukill**, Director of Advancement for the College of Nursing, took place remotely on Monday, September 21st. The presentation was titled, "The First Road to Success for Research and Innovation: Accessing Donor Funds." They discussed how University endowments work and the variety of resources available within the College of Nursing to support research and innovation initiatives, as well as processes to access these funds.

The Center for Nursing Research's monthly Brown Bag Engagement Series sessions contribute to scholarly discourse and development within the College of Nursing.

Student Awards & Recognitions

Last spring's Undergraduate Symposium on Research, Scholarship, and Creative Endeavors poster presentations were delivered in a virtual environment and featured research by more than 130 undergraduate students. **Megan Gottsacker and Rose Solar from the College of Nursing received second-place awards in the Nursing/Healthy Communities category** for their presentations listed below:

Gottsacker, M. (2020, April). *Factors related to the self-esteem of adolescents in foster care*. Mentor, Dr. Andrea Warner. (virtual).

Solar, R. (2020, April). *Peer-led education improving outcomes for adolescents with asthma*. Honors advisor, Dr. Jo Dowell. (virtual).

Ashley-Estella Boyd, Kent State University at Geauga, was recognized for her achievements as an undergraduate nursing student in the 2020 Faces of Care Feature in the June issue of *Cleveland Magazine*. Ashley served as president of the Student Nurses Association at KSU's Geauga regional campus for two years and spearheaded a partnership with the Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner's Office to allow nursing students to more fully understand anatomy and disease by viewing autopsies. Following graduation, Ashley planned to work in the Cardiovascular ICU at Cleveland Clinic.

MNRS Student Poster Competition

The 2021 Midwest Nursing Research Society (MNRS) Annual Research Conference will be held in Des Moines, Iowa from March 24-27. We invite BSN, MSN, DNP, and PhD students to submit an abstract in the areas of research, evidence-based practice, or literature review to Dr. Mary Anthony by Oct. 2, 2020. Specific guidelines may be found at <https://mnrs.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Student-Poster-Criteria-and-Presentation-Information-2020-2021.pdf>



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News You Can Use

National Institutes of Health (NIH): In recent weeks, the NIH has provided updated information related to grant awards and COVID-19 to both current awardees and potential applicants. Guidance for proposal submission, award management, and funding opportunities related to COVID-19 may be found at their website, <https://grants.nih.gov/policy/natural-disasters/coronavirus.htm>.

Following a review in 2019, **new NIH Center for Scientific Review study sections have been formed which affect potential NINR grant applicants.** Starting in October, many NINR applications will now be reviewed by patient care and biobehavioral health sections. For more information about these changes, please visit the NINR website and follow the link to "Latest News."

Interested in new research advances made possible through NIH funding? **Each issue of NIH Research Matters presents an array of topics highlighting recent studies and the impact of this research on health outcomes.** Several recent articles include "Artificial Pancreas Helps Children with Type 1 Diabetes," "Brain Scans May Help Predict Response to OCD Therapies," and "How High Fructose Intake May Trigger Fatty Liver Disease." Weekly issues may be found at <https://www.nih.gov/news-events/nih-research-matters>

Year of the Nurse (YON) Stories

In recognition of the WHO 2020 Year of the Nurse, the Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing at Case Western Reserve University is posting 365 nursing stories to their website at yon2020neo.com. Please consider submitting a story of your personal nursing journey to those already posted to be among our faculty who have submitted their stories.

If you're interested in joining our faculty, collaborating on a research project, or supporting our research efforts:

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