Dear Colleagues,

Fall semester is an exhilarating time at the College as faculty and students return to their scholarly endeavors. In the Fall research newsletter, you’ll see an impressive listing of recent accomplishments by faculty and students.

We are also gearing up for the 2018 MNRS Conference to be held in Cleveland and are now accepting abstracts for the student poster competition (please see back page).

The College of Nursing was designated by the National League of Nursing (NLN) for the second time as a Center of Excellence in the category Advance the Science of Nursing Education for 2017-2022. This prestigious award was given to only four schools of nursing nationwide that have achieved a demonstrated level of excellence in this award category. Dr. Tracey Motter and I were honored to accept this award on behalf of the College at the recent NLN Education Summit 2017: Our Community of Colleagues event in San Diego.

We are excited to keep the positive momentum going and ready to help you be successful with your research projects in the months ahead.

Mary K. Anthony, Ph.D., RN, CS
Professor, Associate Dean for Research

RESEARCH NEWS

Faculty Recognitions

Loretta Aller, PhD(c), RN, Associate Lecturer at Kent State Stark, recently passed her doctoral candidacy exam.

Barbara Broome, PhD, RN, CS, FAAN, was nominated for the Outstanding Dean Award by the Delta Xi chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI).

Kim Cleveland, JD, MSN, RN, C-MBC, has been recognized by the American Law Society Board of Directors as a new member with America’s Top Lawyers (ATL) distinction.

Jennifer Doyle, MSN, RN, WHNP-BC, serves as President-Elect for the Association of Women’s Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses for 2017 (President, 2018 and Immediate Past President, 2019).

Jennifer Doyle, MSN, RN, WHNP-BC, has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Foundation for Excellence in Women’s Health. She is the first nurse to serve in this position.

Jennifer Doyle, MSN, RN, WHNP-BC, was appointed by Gov. Kasich to serve on the State of Ohio Maternal-Newborn Advisory Council.

Tracey Motter, DNP, RN, has been selected as a 2017 Leadership for Academic Nursing Program (LANP) Fellow. The American Association of Colleges of Nursing’s LANP program prepares future deans and other top administrators for effective academic leadership.

Tracy Schwab, BSN, RN, chapter intern, was awarded the New Member Pillar Award by the Delta Xi chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI). She is the sole awardee following an international competition.

Jennifer Shanholtzer was awarded an NTT Professional Development Excellence Pool award in June to travel to Nottingham, UK for the Human Patient Simulation Network (HPSN) International Conference, sponsored by CAE Healthcare.

Denise Sheehan, PhD, RN, FPCN, chaired a paper session, Building & Strengthening Palliative Care Programs for the 2017 National Symposium for Academic Palliative Care Education and Research at California State University, San Marcos, in September.
Scientific & Scholarly Presentations


Frank, K., Kenny, T., & **Doyle, J.** (2017, September). *A population health response to alleviate infant mortality (PRAM).* Poster presentation for the 2017 AWHONN Ohio/ACOG Conference, Columbus, Ohio.

Frank, K., Kenny, T., & **Doyle, J.** (2017, May). *A population health response to alleviate infant mortality (PRAM).* Poster presentation for the Delta Xi Chapter Meeting at the Akron General Wellness Center, Akron, Ohio.


Faculty Publications


**KSU CON Center of Excellence**

KSU’s College of Nursing has been redesignated as a Center of Excellence by the National League for Nursing for 2017-2022 in the category of “Advance the Science of Nursing Education.” Recognized as one of 16 organizations to attain this distinction, the College uses leading-edge technology to allow students to learn and practice vital nursing skills and promote academic excellence. The College also promotes diversity in nursing education with a strong commitment to ensuring multiple pathways for academic and career success.
New Grants

Kathy Chen and Yvonne Smith recently received funding through the NLN/STTI for their study, “Teaching Effectiveness in Online Higher Education: Instrument Development Pilot Study.”

Yvonne Smith and Kathy Chen have also been awarded funding through STTI’s Delta Omega Chapter for their research study, “Understanding Teaching Effectiveness in Online Nursing Courses: A Qualitative Approach.”

Jennifer Taber, PI (Dept. of Psychological Sciences), Clare Stacey, Co-I (Dept. of Sociology), and Denise Sheehan, Co-I were funded by KSU’s Healthy Communities Research Initiative to conduct a mixed methods study, “Translating Knowledge of Risk Perceptions to Improve Prognostic Awareness Measurement among Terminally Ill Patients.”

Wendy Umberger, Kimberly Williams, Andrea Warner Stidham, and Mark Arredondo received funding from the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) for their project, “Building Interdisciplinary Teams and Preparing Psychiatric Mental Health (PMH) Nurse Practitioners to Provide PMH Treatment in Integrated Care Settings. Their proposal was funded through HRSA’s Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training (BHWET) Program for four years.

Kimberly Williams was awarded funding from the International Nurses Society on Addictions (INTNSA) for her study, “SBIRT/MI School-based Therapy Pilot Study.”

Student Grant Award

Angela Anikienko, student of Dr. Lori Lewis, was awarded funding through the Delta Xi Chapter of STTI for her study, “Perspectives of Neonatal Nurses on the Provision of Kangaroo Care and the Extremely Preterm Infant.”

Student Publication


Student Research

Ph.D. and DNP Dissertation Defenses:

Debra Cifani received her DNP following the successful defense of her scholarly project, *Reduction in Inpatient Falls Through Identification of the Risk for Injury*.

Audrey Godoy received her DNP following the successful defense of her scholarly project, *Heart Failure Telephone Line*.

Carolyn Kleman successfully defended her dissertation, *Patient Self-Advocacy and Its Antecedents on Psychological Distress and Physical Symptoms in Patients with Chronic Heart Failure* (Pictured below: Dr. Pat Vermeersch, Dr. Richard Adams (Sociology), Carolyn Kleman, Dr. Ratchneewan Ross, (Chair), Dr. Joel Hughes (Psychology), and Dr. Huff (UA)).

Student Presentations


News You Can Use

A recent issue of *Extramural Nexus* from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) provides a tutorial on NIH funding, including preparing, writing, and submitting proposals. The tutorial may be found at https://grants.nih.gov/grants/how-to-apply-application-guide/video/index.htm

NIH also provides a matchmaking service through Research Portfolio Online Reporting Tools (RePORT) to inform researchers of similar NIH-funded projects, searchable by keyword. This is a useful tool for establishing national collaborations. The RePort matchmaking tool may be found at https://projectreporter.nih.gov/reporter_matchmaker.cfm?new=1

*Congratulations to Dr. Rachel Foot,* Instructional Designer for the College of Nursing, on the successful defense of her dissertation, *Exploring the Hidden Curriculum with a Doctoral Program.* She graduated with a Doctor of Philosophy in Curriculum and Instruction for KSU’s College of Education, Health and Human Services.

**MNRS Student Poster Competition**

The 2018 Midwest Nursing Research Society (MNRS) Annual Research Conference will be held in Cleveland from April 12-15. We invite up to 12 students (3 BSN, 3 MSN, 3 DNP, and 3 PhD) to submit an abstract for the student poster competition to Dr. Mary Anthony by October 11, 2017. More details about the conference and the student poster competition may be found at https://mnrs.org/annual-conference/general-information.

**Student Spotlight**

Emily Bagnola and Edward Pierce are KSU CON honor students working with Dr. Broome on her area of research, urinary incontinence. Along with Dr. Broome, they recently had an article accepted for publication in the Madridge Journal of Nursing titled, “A Review and Case Study of Urinary Incontinence.” They were accepted for a poster presentation at the Society of Urologic Nurses and Associates (SUNA) annual conference in Chicago this October; they are the first students to present at this event. Currently, Emily and Edward are working with Dr. Broome and Dr. Debra Cifani to develop a grant proposal, taking the next step in learning the rigor and excitement of nursing research. (Contributed by Dr. Barbara Broome)