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Message from the Alumni Association President:

Greetings from the Alumni Association:

I hope you all are having a good summer. If any alumnus living in the northeast needs information on heat survival from colleagues in the south or southwest, I'm sure we can arrange consultation. Your choice – dry heat or humidity – hopefully, there will be a break in the brutal temperatures soon.

Please join the RWJF ENF Alumni in productive and meaningful activities over the coming months:

Watch your e-mail in the coming weeks for the release of the ballot for the **2010 election for the Alumni Association Board of Directors**. IN ORDER TO VOTE, YOU MUST BE A CURRENT MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATION. If you renew your membership by July 30, 2010 you will be able to cast your vote.

If you have not done so already, please go to the following link and **renew your membership in the ENF Alumni Association**: <http://www.acteva.com/booking.cfm?bevaaid=129918> Over the coming year, we will be rolling out new programs and web-based services to energize and connect alumni across the country. We want each and every one of you to participate.

Thank you to all of you who completed the **Alumni Survey conducted by the Center for Creative Leadership (CCL)**. CCL was very impressed with the 84% return rate on the survey! The survey results will be utilized to customize future alumni events, meetings, and services. Your input is essential to assure data-driven decisions by CCL and the Alumni Association Board of Directors.

The **transition of the RWJF ENF Program** from the Center for the Health Professions at UCSF to the Center for Creative Leadership continues to proceed smoothly. Both outstanding organizations are working collaboratively to assure a well coordinated transition. Meetings, conference calls, site visits and other activities are ongoing to assure continuity, relevance, and innovation in future programming for Fellows and Alumni. Staff from UCSF and CCL are working tirelessly in this transition process. The ENF Alumni Board is actively engaged with transition planning. Dennis Sherrod and I have met with CCL staff to provide the Alumni perspective on recruitment, curriculum and design, and Alumni development needs. Dennis has made himself available over the summer to work directly on alumni issues with CCL at their North Carolina site. I represent Alumni on monthly transition conference calls and the full Board is scheduled to meet in-person with CCL during the ENF seminar in Irving, TX in October.

Over the coming months, you will be asked to help **recruit an outstanding 2011 cohort** for the Fellowship. Recruitment/application materials are currently undergoing approval at RWJF and will be officially released in January 2011. Both UCSF and CCL are making presentations about the ENF Program at national conferences thru the summer and fall to maximize recruitment efforts. Please help identify good candidates and refer them to the CCL team for follow-up. You will receive notice when the 2011 applications are available.

Thank you for your support of the ENF Program. Please continue to participate actively in alumni activities. **Demonstrating solidarity in support of our ENF national leadership network has never been more important than it is today.**

Enjoy the remainder of the summer. Take time to renew.

Marcella McKay, President, Alumni Association

From the NPO:

As we finalize the agendas for the next two seminars we want to be sure you have the dates marked in your calendars:

The Fall Leadership Seminar for the 2008 and 2009 cohorts will take place October 14 – 17, 2010 at the OMNI Mandalay in Irving, TX. Details to follow soon!

The Spring Seminar for the 2008 and 2009 cohorts will take place March 31 – April 3, 2011 at the Loews Coronado Hotel in San Diego, CA. The Alumni meeting will take place in this same location on Saturday, April 2, 2010.

More details to follow soon!

Also, don't forget to check out the link below to see the wonderful shots taken by photographer Patty Nason of GavaPhoto http://gavaphoto.zenfolio.com/rwj_atlanta_2010, photos include past seminars as well as the most recent meeting in Atlanta, GA.

Have You Heard?

Amy Barton ('05) Roderick Nairn, PhD, University of Colorado Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, recently announced the appointment of Amy Barton, RN, PhD, professor and associate dean for clinical and community affairs at the University of Colorado College of Nursing, to the Daniel and Janet Mordecai Endowed Chair in Rural Health Nursing, in the College of Nursing.

Jackie Dunbar-Jacob ('03) was elected to the Sigma Theta Tau International inaugural nurse researcher hall of fame and will be inducted on July 16, 2010 at the annual conference in Orlando, FL. She was also was a member of the conference panel for the NIH State-of-the-Science Conference: Preventing Alzheimer's Disease and Cognitive Decline, April 26-28, 2010. Jackie serves as program chair and vice president for the Friends of the National Institute for Nursing Research and chairs the AACN task force on the future of the research focused doctorate.

JoAnn Walsh Dotson ('99) will retire from the state of Montana on June 30, 2010, to assume a faculty position at Washington State University (WSU) in Spokane on August 16, 2010. Jo Ann will join a research team focused on the development of "a program of excellence in rural mental health and substance abuse treatment". Another program alum Dr. **Patricia Butterfield ('99)** is the Dean of the WSU College of Nursing. Jo Ann also received an award from the Montana Council for Developmental Disabilities on June 17, 2010 at the Council meeting for 6 years of service to the developmentally disabled community in Montana.

Val Gokenbach ('05) has been selected as the Chief Nursing Officer representative to the Magnet board for a 4 year term.

Janet Moyer ('07) has joined the national program office (NPO) for Aligning Forces for Quality (AF4Q) in the Center for Health Care Quality, Department of Health Policy in the School of Public Health and Health Services at George Washington University in Washington, DC. As Assistant Director of Quality Improvement, Janet oversees and directs the quality initiatives of the 17 nationwide Alliance communities including hospital and ambulatory collaborative. AF4Q is The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's signature effort to improve the quality and equality of health care that Americans receive. The NPO works with the RWJF to monitor and manage the \$300 million multi year initiative.

Debra Toney ('06) was selected to receive the "Women Leading The Way Award" by The Links, Inc. The award was presented at the organization's 37th National Assembly in Detroit, Michigan.

Vivian Torres Suarez ('08) received the 2010 Homero Rosado Leadership Award from Spanish Speaking Elderly Council-RAICES located in New York City on June 25, 2010 for dedication and exemplary services to the community, in particular, the support to cultural competence and quality health care. Past recipient of this award include Mayor David Dinkins.

Barbara Wadsworth ('09) was featured in a JONA article entitled Daily CARE It's Award Winning for her work at Abington Memorial Hospital and the development of the Daily CARE Plan initiative.

Publications, Media & Presentations

Brenda Cleary ('02) was invited by fellow ENF alum Mary Lou Manning to speak at A DNP Symposium at Thomas Jefferson University on June 5th and was also a contributor to the recently published 5th edition of the book, *Nurse Practitioners: The Evolution and Future of Advanced Practice*. Also in June, she moderated a panel of nurses leaders at

the Rhode Island Statewide Nurses on Boards convening and participated in an endnote panel at the annual conference of the Forum of State Nursing Workforce Centers. In May, she attended the annual invitational interdisciplinary research and policy Princeton Conference – this year's focus was on end-of-life care.

Jody Chrastek ('05) Publication of a manual for Hospice nurse who care for adults to be used in conjunction with the pediatric palliative care algorithm book, "Just in time guide; A primer for pediatric palliative care at home". This is a "just in time" pocket book for nurses who are asked to care for children and have little experience doing so. The focus is on helping the nurse use her experience and build on it to help children who need hospice care at home.

Walker, P., **Smith Glasgow, M.E.**, & Kornblatt, L. (2010, June 30). *Developing High Performance Teams in a Changing Healthcare Environment*, Healthcare Executive Leadership Network of the Delaware Valley, Chapter of the American College of Healthcare Executives, Widener University, Philadelphia, PA.

Adenirin, R. K., & **Smith Glasgow, M.E.** (2010, July 12-16). *Career Advancement and Professional Development in Nursing: Are Internationally Educated Nurses Falling Behind?*, Sigma Theta Tau International's 21st International Nursing Research Congress, Orlando, FL. [refereed poster abstract].

Smith Glasgow, M.E., Speakman, E., & Furlong, B. (2010, June 21-24). Reflections from the Fast Track: A Panel Discussion on Accelerated Second Degree Nursing Education [Plenary]. Drexel University Nursing Education Institute. Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Smith Glasgow, M.E. (2010, June 21-24). The Challenges of Accelerated Nursing Education. Drexel University Nursing Education Institute. Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Smith Glasgow, M.E. (2010, June 21-24). *The Multiple Roles of the New Academic Administrator in a Complex Educational Environment: Why It's Worth It*. Drexel University Nursing Education Institute. Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Lujan, J. (2010 April). Meeting Religious Needs of Hispanic Clients to Provide Culturally Competent Care. Internet Journal of Allied Health Sciences and Practice, 8, (2). Home Page. ISBN 1540-580X. Accessed June 30, 2010 at <http://ijahsp.nova.edu/articles/Vol8num2/Lujan-8-2.htm>

Manning ML (2010). Simple physical interventions such as hand washing and wearing masks can reduce spread of epidemic respiratory viruses. Invited commentary on: Jefferson, T., Del, M.C., Dooley, L., et al. Physical interventions to interrupt or reduce the spread of respiratory viruses: Systematic review. *Evidence-Based Nursing*, 13: 13-14.

Mary Lou also presented the following talks at various conferences: *Risk assessment of Indonesian satellite health clinics caring for displaced survivors of the December 2005 tsunami*, oral presentation at Sigma Theta Tau International's Nursing Research Congress, Orlando, Florida July 13, 2010; *Preventing and managing infectious diseases in the school setting*, oral presentation at Advances in School Health Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA July 9, 2010; *Quality and safety in doctoral nursing education*, oral presentation at the inaugural Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) National Forum, Denver, CO June 3, 2010; *Achieving maximum impact with your message*, workshop presentation at the University of California, San Francisco, Regional Nurse Network - RN2Change Makers. Santa Clara, CA. June 10, 2010; *Communicating your way to better patient care: The art of effective communication*, workshop presentation at the University of California, San Francisco, Regional Nurse Network. Santa Clara, CA. June 10, 2010 and *Developing Interprofessional Communication*, workshop presentation at the University of California, San Francisco, Integrated Nurse Leadership Program: Sepsis Project. Santa Clara, CA, June 9, 2010.

Wanda Montalvo ('04) was featured in a broadcast entitled "Diabetes Prevention - Keeping Our Eyes on the Prize" to discuss the work of the Diabetes Campaign in NYS. Wanda shows up in the video around 30 minutes into the broadcast and receives great feedback from colleagues. <http://www.albany.edu/sph/coned/phl/diabetes.htm>

Debra Toney (06) was a speaker at the Gulf Coast Home Care Conference and Exposition. The conference was held in Biloxi, Mississippi. **Warren Hebert ('06)** CEO Homecare Association of Louisiana was the conference convener.

Obesity Initiatives

Margaret Flinter ('02) Be sure to tune into Margaret's weekly radio show "Conversations on Health." To hear the broadcasts and other episodes of this informative show go to <http://www.chcradio.com/> and click on the episodes tab.

She is also pleased to announce that the Weitzman Center for Research and Innovation (which was established as part of her RWJ project) at Community Health Center Inc. (CHCI) held its 5th annual symposium on June 10, 2010. The symposium was dedicated exclusively to the prevention and treatment of obesity. Nationally recognized speakers ranged from CDC's Bill Dietz to experts from the Cleveland Clinic and Yale's Rudd Center. CHCI used the symposium to present our five cutting edge obesity initiatives and to announce the roll out of our national campaign to get the best thinking and input about the nature of the problem, their feelings about the problem, and suggestions for what to do

about it—from the experts, -kids aged 9-17—through a contest for best video or other creative submissions answering those three questions.

Opportunities

National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality: Request for Nominations for Public Members

Action: Notice of request for nominations for public members.

Summary: Section 921 (now Section 941 of the Public Health Service Act (PHS Act)), 42 U.S.C. 299c, established a National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality (the Council). The Council is to advise the Secretary of HHS (Secretary) and the Director of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) on activities proposed or undertaken to carry out the agency mission including providing guidance on (A) Priorities for health care research, (B) the field of health care research including training needs and information dissemination on health care quality and (C) the role of the Agency in light of private sector activity and opportunities for public private partnerships. Seven current members' terms will expire in November 2010. To fill these positions in accordance with the legislative mandate establishing the Council, we are seeking individuals who are distinguished: (1) In the conduct of research, demonstration projects, and evaluations with respect to health care; (2) in the fields of health care quality research or health care improvement; (3) in the practice of medicine; (4) in other health professions; (5) in the fields of health care economics, information systems, law, ethics, business, or public policy; and (6) individuals who could represent the interests of patients and consumers of health care; and (7) the private health care sector (including health plans, providers, and purchasers) possibly including distinguished administrators of health care delivery systems., Individuals are particularly sought with experience and success in activities specified in the summary above.

Dates: Nominations should be received on or before 60 days after date of publication.

Addresses: Nominations should be sent to Ms. Karen Brooks, AHRQ, 540 Gaither Road, Room 3006, Rockville, Maryland 20850. Nominations may also be e-mailed to [mailto: Council@AHRQ.hhs.gov](mailto:Council@AHRQ.hhs.gov) or faxed to (301) 427-1201.

The Goodman Center

Andy Goodman's site offers a number of great resources at: <http://www.agoodmanonline.com/red.html>

Spitfire Strategies

Click on the following link to see the current offerings from Spitfire Strategies. You can also sign-up to receive the Spitfire Newsletter directly: <http://www.spitfirestrategies.com/>

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Sue Hassmiller suggests you check out the latest issue of CHARTING NURSING'S FUTURE which includes a policy brief on building nursing education capacity. <http://www.rwjf.org/files/research/20100608cnf.pdf>

Leaders Link

Leaders' Link is a bimonthly e-newsletter from RWJF's Building Human Capital program area featuring the latest news about RWJF scholars, fellows and alumni, as well as updates about their programs. It is managed by IQ Solutions. Sign up for the *Leaders' Link* e-mail by visiting [May/June e-newsletter](#).

RWJF Health & Society Scholars Releases Call for Applications

[Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health & Society Scholars](#)

Application Deadline: October 1, 2010

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Health & Society Scholars program provides two years of support to postdoctoral scholars at all stages of their careers to build the nation's capacity for research and leadership to address the multiple determinants of population health and contribute to policy change. The program is based on the principle that progress in the field of population health depends upon multidisciplinary collaboration and exchange. Its goal is to improve health by training scholars to: investigate the connections among biological, genetic, behavioral, environmental, economic and social determinants of health; and develop, evaluate and disseminate knowledge, interventions and policies that integrate and act on these determinants to improve health.

[More details and how to apply.](#)

Alumni Network

Note to Alumni: More than 1,200 people have already joined the RWJF Alumni Network. Go to the following link www.RWJFAlumniNetwork.org today to create your profile. The foundation accesses this information frequently so sign up today in order not to miss out on the opportunities and events from RWJF.

Job Postings

Dean, College of Nursing

The Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing at Florida Atlantic University (FAU) invites applications and nominations for the position of Dean. They seek candidates to join our community of scholars who are passionate about nursing and thrive in a creative and caring work environment. At the Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing, they are dedicated to caring in nursing: expanding the science, studying its meaning, practicing the art, and living caring day to day.

Nominations and Applications: All applicants must complete the Faculty, Administrative, Managerial & Professional Position application for Dean (#990219) available online through the Office of Human Resources <https://jobs.fau.edu>. Complete instructions for the application process can be found on our college of nursing website

<http://nursing.fau.edu>. Online applications must have attached a letter of application, curriculum vitae, and five or more references. All candidates must be eligible for licensure in the State of Florida. Applications and nominations will be accepted until the position is filled. Review of applications will begin upon receipt of the dossier. Interested candidates are encouraged to submit materials by October 1, 2010. Questions can be addressed to: Dr. Manju Pendakur, Chair, Search Committee, Dean, College of Arts and Letters, Florida Atlantic University, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton, Florida 33431, pendakur@fau.edu, 561-297-3803, Fax 561-297-3942.

Program Officer

The Betty Irene Moore Nursing Initiative, a \$150 million initiative of the foundation, has a brand new position open for a Program Officer (Clinician). We are specifically seeking a RN or MD for the position who has strong clinical skills as well as experience in and knowledge of specific clinical issues, settings, and work processes. The particular Program Officer (Clinician) will oversee a portfolio of grants to improve discharge planning and transitional care for high-risk seniors and work on grants in other Initiative areas. This is an exciting opportunity for an individual with a strong clinical background who is interested in changing healthcare practices through a rigorous, evidence-based approach. A detailed job description can be viewed on the website of the executive search firm Martha Montag Brown & Associates, LLC (www.marthamontagbrown.com). Interested applicants should send a resume, cover letter and salary information to Martha@marthamontagbrown.com and Elissa@marthamontagbrown.com.

Chief Nursing Officer

Moffitt Cancer Center, Tampa, FL <http://www.moffitt.org/>

The Chief Nursing Officer will be a key member of the Center's senior leadership team collectively dedicated to achieving an integrated cancer treatment system that provides the highest quality care in a clinically and fiscally accountable manner. The CNO will be responsible for continuously improving the quality of patient care, the experience of the care event, and the growth of the Moffitt professional nursing practice. The Moffitt Nursing mission, "*To partner with patients and families in the delivery of compassionate and expert nursing care as we contribute to the prevention and cure of cancer*", is a source of inspiration and pride for all members of the Moffitt team. The CNO has responsibility for all of Nursing, Patient Support and Advocacy, and Nutritional Therapy. The CNO is responsible for nearly 800 FTEs, with budgetary responsibility of nearly \$80 million. Interested candidates or those wishing to share referrals should contact John Lenihan at john.lenihan@ihstrategies.com.

Primary Care Researcher

The Center for Primary Care at the AHRQ is looking to hire a primary care researcher to support out work developing, conducting, and directing research related to the improvement of clinical systems for primary care delivery. They are especially interested in applications from nurses and nurse practitioners. The job posting can be found on USAjobs.gov: [Health Scientist Administrator](#). Applications must be submitted before August 6.

Director of Nursing Education, Practice and Research

Furst Group is identifying and evaluating candidates for the position of Director of Nursing Education, Practice and Research at the UCLA Health System. This role is responsible for planning, organizing, directing, leading, and evaluating central nursing programs that include but are not limited to professional and leadership development, quality, performance improvement, education, evidence-based practice, research, Magnet program, and nurse retention. To learn more about this particular position, please contact: Joni Robbins at (800) 642-9940 jrobbins@furstgroup.com or Mieke Thorson (800) 642-9940 Email: mthorson@furstgroup.com.

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