Dear Colleagues,

Welcome back to the College of Nursing for the start of the Fall semester. As always, the Center for Nursing Research is here to help ensure your success with grant proposal submission, manuscript publication, and other research and scholarly endeavors. Last year was a productive year for CON faculty researchers with 12 grant proposals and eight letters of intent submitted, 25 publications (published and in-press), and 26 conference publications. Congratulations to all for these efforts.

As part of our commitment to increase external visibility and recognition of faculty achievements, we would like to take the “well-kept secret” of our faculty’s innovations out of the closet. This academic year, an emphasis will be to increase the number of faculty recognitions awarded by external organizations. If you belong to an organization that bestows honors and awards, and you believe you meet the requirements, please come to see me. Together we will develop a nomination plan for your submission. Staff in the Center for Nursing Research will provide assistance with nomination letters and other documents needed for award submission.

This year’s Midwest Nursing Research Society (MNRS) Conference is slated for April 1-4 in Schaumburg, IL. Between now and October 12th, 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 productive Fall semester as we continue our forward momentum.

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

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RESEARCH NEWS

Faculty Recognitions

Mary K. Anthony, PhD, RN, had a published journal article cited as research underlying new joint National Guidelines on Delegation issued by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing and American Nurses Association.

Mary Bacha, Katie Bowen, Cheryl Brady, Krista Snyder Hawkins, and Lorene Martin were each honored with a Spring 2019 Faculty Recognition Award by KSU Student Accessibility Services.

Barbara Broome, PhD, RN, FAAN, served as a contributing author for the anthology, Learning to Heal: Reflections on Nursing School in Poetry and Prose, selected as co-winner of the Tillie Olsen Award for Creative Writing by the Awards Committee of the Working-Class Studies Association.

Kimberly Cleveland, JD, MSN, RN, C-MBC, was presented with the Outstanding Education Section Leader Award at the National Conference for the American Association of Nurse Attorneys.

Kimberly Cleveland, JD, MSN, RN, C-MBC, accepted a position as Executive Editorial Advisory Board Member for Wolters Kluwer’s Nursing Health Policy.

Tracy Dodson, MSN, RN, was recognized at the inaugural American Red Cross Hero Awards for the Lake Erie/Heartland chapter of the Red Cross for performing lifesaving CPR on a fairgoer at the Wayne County fairgrounds.

Dana Hansen, PhD, APRN, ACHPN, was awarded tenure and promoted to the rank of Associate Professor.

Karen Mascolo, DNP, RN, was appointed to the Faculty Academy for Student Success for 2019 through the Center for Teaching and Learning.

Pamela Stephenson, PhD, RN, was awarded tenure and promoted to the rank of Associate Professor.

Yafen Wang, PhD, RN, was awarded tenure and promoted to the rank of Associate Professor.
Scientific & Scholarly Presentations


Cleveland, K. (2019, August). Nurses on boards: The time is ripe to expand the goals of counsel. Podium presentation for the American Association of Nurse Attorneys National Conference, San Diego, California.

Cleveland, K., & Smith, Y. (2019, August). Nurses on boards research: The time is ripe to expand the goals of counsel. Poster presentation for the American Association of Nurse Attorneys National Conference, San Diego, California.


New Faculty Member, Jim Tudhope

Jim Tudhope, DNP, APRN, PMHNP-BC, recently joined the College of Nursing as a full-time faculty member in the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (PMHNP) concentration. Dr. Tudhope graduated with his DNP from Kent State University last spring. In April, 2020, he will present his abstract, “The Imposter Syndrome and Transition into Practice: How the Development and Design of a Nurse Practitioner Fellowship Program Can Assist the New Graduate,” at the 2020 Association for Nursing Professional Development (ANPD) Annual Convention in Chicago.
Focus on Faculty Awards

We often refer to ourselves as a “well-kept secret” because of the many innovative efforts of our faculty. As part of the College’s ongoing efforts to increase external visibility and recognition of faculty achievements, Dr. Mary Anthony and the Center for Nursing Research would like to take our “secret” out of the closet. If an organization you belong to includes awards for member achievements and if you believe you have met the qualifications for that award, we would like to be able to submit a nomination on your behalf. If you have an award that you qualify for, please meet with Dr. Anthony to develop a nomination plan. Once the nomination plan is in place, staff in the Center for Research will provide assistance with nomination letters and other documents that may be needed for award submission.

New Grant Awards

Dr. Loretta Aller was awarded funding by the Austin Bailey Health and Wellness Foundation, the Health Foundation of Greater Massillon, and Kent State University Teaching Council for a KbPort LLC mobile medication cart at Kent State Stark’s state-of-the-art simulation lab (pictured below).

Drs. Sara Bayramzadeh (PI), Mary K. Anthony, Kambiz Ghazinour, and Doug Delahanty (Co-Is), in collaboration with Akron General Cleveland Clinic, received federal funding for their four-year study, Towards a Model of Safety and Care for Trauma Room Design, from the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) Center for Quality Improvement and Patient Safety.

Dr. Jo Dowell was awarded funding from the University Research Council for her study, Child Illness Representation (CIR) Instrument: Testing Reliability and Factor Structure Stability.

Drs. Wendy Umberger and Lisa Onesko received a grant award from Peg’s Foundation for their project, Expanding the Base of PMH APRNs in Northeast Ohio.

PhD Defense: The following student defended her dissertation and graduated with her PhD:

Wendy Sarver, Investigating the Relationship between Nursing Unit Educational Composition, Teamwork and Missed Nursing Care. (Drs. Christine Graor, Yvonne Smith, Pat Vermeersch, (Chair), Wendy Sarver, Jeffrey Ciesla, and Kele Ding, Graduate Faculty Representative & Moderator)

Student Presentations


MNRS Student Poster Competition

The 2020 Midwest Nursing Research Society (MNRS) Annual Research Conference will be held in Schaumburg, IL from April 1-4. 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 Oct. 12, 2019. More details about the conference and the student poster competition may be found at https://mnrs.org/annual-conference/student-poster-competition/

Brown Bag Engagement Series

This year’s first Brown Bag Engagement Series presentation by Lynette Phillips, PhD, MSPH and statistician from the College of Public Health, will take place on Monday, Sept. 30th in Henderson Hall, room 207. Dr. Phillips’s presentation is titled, “Population Health Measures for Research and Practice: An Epidemiologic Perspective.”

News You Can Use

National Institutes of Health (NIH) Linking Open Researcher and Contributor Identification (ORCID) Accounts to eRA Commons Profiles: In a recent Open Mike blog, Dr. Michael Lauer, Deputy Director for the National Institutes of Health Office of Extramural Research, summarized a new NIH requirement that by fiscal year 2020, NIH, along with other federal agencies, will require individuals applying for or supported by T, K, and F awards to have an ORCID iD linked to their eRA Commons account. Designed to reduce administrative burden for researchers, ORCID provides a lifelong identifier connecting researchers with their scientific contributions, such as publications and grant submissions, across time, institution, and name changes. To date, over 6.7 million researchers, 800 research institutions, and 100 publishers have registered with ORCID. Researchers from graduate students to seasoned scientists are encouraged to register for free at orcid.org/register.

Student Recognitions

Olivia Arnold and Isabella Tassiello were the second place winners in the Nursing/Computer Science/Mathematics/Business section of the 2019 Undergraduate Research Symposium. Mentored by Dr. Dana Hansen, their project was titled, “Intercultural Stress of International Students.”

Jasmine Hoff, DNP candidate, has been appointed to serve as a student member on the Kent State University Board of Trustees for a June 2019-May 2021 term.

Wendy Vargo, BSN student at Kent State Salem, was named to the Class of 2019 by the Women’s Center SAGE Project. Named from the significance of sage in Native American culture for healing, the SAGE Project recognizes students who have overcome adversity and exhibit creativity, risk-taking, and leadership skills to foster academic success.

Staff Recognition

Heidi Weisel, Clinical Experience Specialist for the College of Nursing, recently became Ambassador of Women’s Health for Days for Girls International. Days for Girls is a program that helps increase menstrual product access globally, as well as creates sustainable products for women to use.

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

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Statistical Assistance at the Center for Nursing Research

Lynette Phillips, PhD, MSPH, and statistician from the College of Public Health, will be at the Center for Nursing Research, 214A, on Wednesdays during the Fall semester to provide assistance.