Have you heard?

Indiana University School of Nursing Dean and IU Distinguished Professor Robin Newhouse has been elected a member of the National Academy of Medicine. She is the 14th IU faculty member selected for the prestigious organization. Her election was announced on October 16, 2017 during the organization’s annual meeting in Washington, DC.

Congratulations Dean Newhouse!

Welcome

This fall Amy Shay, PhD, MS, RN, CNS joined IUSON faculty as Clinical Assistant Professor, Science of Nursing Care. Dr. Shay is involved with the AGCNS and PCNS tracks.

Opportunities for Students

IU School of Nursing Travel Fellowships. The IU School of Nursing Graduate Office is committed to providing students with opportunities to grow professionally and personally through attendance and participation at regional and national conferences. Funds are available to assist graduate nursing students with their travel expenses to these conferences. Students may apply for travel fellowship assistance of up to $1,200.00 each year. Awards are available for travel during the fall, spring, and summer semesters. Applications for travel fellowships will be accepted until October 20 for fall travel and February 1 for spring and summer travel.

Eligibility criteria and application details are found on the MSN Student Information site on Canvas.

Access the application at this link: https://theden.iupui.edu/submitter/form/step?guid=b5369faa-46c0-4f9a-941a-41362a27da1f.

Dayhoff/CIOCNS Fellowship. IU School of Nursing is currently accepting applications for the CIOCNS Fellowship. Interested
CNS students should contact Chandra Dyson at cbaskin@iu.edu.

This scholarship is sponsored by CIOCNS and the generosity of Nancy Dayhoff, IUSON faculty emerita. The scholarship was established to provide financial support for CNS students and to help assure the future of CNS practice. If you would like to contribute to this scholarship fund contact Janet McCully at jmccully@iu.edu.

**Updates from CIOCNS**

The 8th Annual CIOCNS Conference: Activating your CNS: Embracing CNS Role Diversity was held on November 16, 2017. Thank you to the planning committee members (Denise Kerley, Katrina Hawkins, Kate Mills, Katie Swafford, Debbie Ferguson, Jason McClara, Nikkita Adams and Brandee Wornhoff) that made the day a great success. Also, thanks to Brandee Wornhoff and Jennifer Woodard who are retiring from the board after many years of dedicated service.

New officers and board elected for 2018 include: President-Ann Allison; President Elect-Brittany Waggoner; Immediate Past President-Kerista Hansell; Secretary-Jennifer Sweeney; Treasurer-Debbie Ferguson; Board Members-Megan Siebert, Diane Doty; and Student Liaisons-Nikkita Adams, Kate Mills.

Also congratulations to the following student guests nominated by CIOCNS members to attend the conference: Mathew Schafer, Brittany Myers, Claire Detrich, Allison Baker, Alyssa Rooke, MaryAnn Anthis and Dorvanta Magsby. The list includes two current CNS students, one BSN student and four practicing RNs.

Check out the CIOCNS website for upcoming events: [http://www.ciocns.org/](http://www.ciocns.org/).

**Preceptor’s Corner**

Preceptors are a critical part of the IU School of Nursing CNS program. Your commitment to our students is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

IUSON and NACNS partnered to update and launch the new online CNS Preceptor Training program. Developing Your Skills as a CNS Preceptor can be found at: [http://nursing.iupui.edu/development/online-courses/cns-preceptor.shtml](http://nursing.iupui.edu/development/online-courses/cns-preceptor.shtml).

**Prescriptive Authority**

Clinical nurse specialists are eligible to apply for “prescriptive authority” as advanced practice nurses in the state of Indiana if they have completed an advanced pharmacology course and met other requirements. Check out the Indiana PLA website for details: [http://www.in.gov/pla/2503.htm](http://www.in.gov/pla/2503.htm).

**ISNA News**

Have you heard the news? Jeni Embree, DNP, RN NE-BC, CCNS was elected ISNA President for 2017-2019. She will also serve as ANA Delegate. Jeni is a faculty member of IUSON. She is coordinator of the Nursing Leadership MSN track and coordinator of the DNP program. She is also a magnet coordinator at IU Health and Eskenazi Health. The newly elected ISNA Executive board also includes Barb Kelly, Amy Pettit, Emily Sego, Audrey Hopper, Angela Mamat, Leah Scalf, Denise Monahan, and Lauren Wright.

To learn more about the ISNA check out their website: [www.indiananurses.org](http://www.indiananurses.org).

**Indiana Geriatrics Society**

The Indiana Geriatrics Society's Interprofessional Practice & Education
**Student Group** is an interest group for students in the healthcare professions who have an interest in working with the geriatric population in their future careers. The group meets monthly throughout the semester and provides opportunities for networking, attending local conferences, and hearing from local professionals in the geriatric community on special topics to benefit your future practice. To find out more about getting involved or joining, contact Cristina Davis at cridavis@umail.iu.edu.

Our spring meetings will take place on the following dates:
- Monday, February 26th, 2018
- Friday, March 16th, 2018
- Wednesday, April 11th, 2018

Times and locations are TBA.

**Grants and Funding Awards**

Dr. Eileen Hacker was recently awarded $50,000 from the IU Simon Cancer Center Cancer Prevention and Control Program for her study "STEPS to Enhance Physical Activity (STEPS)." Her project will help patients after hematopoietic stem cell transplantation for multiple myeloma. The funding will help further her program of research and helps further IUSON with the Precision Health Initiative Grand Challenge.

**Making a Difference in Health Care for Hoosiers?**

If you know of someone who is a part of a project or program that is impacting the lives of Hoosiers regarding cardiovascular disease, stroke, and/or diabetes, please pass on this link to an application for a story award of $500.

http://survey.constantcontact.com/survey/a07eetw8vtqij9ylkovv/start

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**CNS Job Opportunity**

Come to Kansas City and explore new career options! The Kansas City VA Medical Center is looking to fill **two new CNS positions**. Join our teams in Critical Care/Emergency and Inpatient Medical/Surgical services.

Our Nurse Executive is a strong advocate of the CNS role and is looking to create a dynamic team that will assist in complex patient care issues, nursing and nursing care and systems level interventions that will move our quality and safety initiatives even further along the continuum of excellence. We are on a journey toward Magnet and seeking innovative, creative and extraordinary CNSs to assist us.

For more information please contact: Dr. Kelly Goudreau, PhD, RN, ACNS-BC, FAAN at kelly.goudreau@va.gov

**Library Assistance**

When: Every Tuesday, from 1:00-3:00 pm

No appointment necessary

Where: Center for Research & Scholarship NU 338C

Contact: Caitlin Pike at caiapike@iupui.edu

Services Provided:
- Literature searches
- End Note help
- Classroom Instruction Consultation
- Citation accounts for P & T

**Now Accepting Applications**

Are you ready to advance your career though graduate education? Check us out: https://nursing.iupui.edu/graduate/programs/index.shtml

Contact Colleen Cleary at (317) 274-2806 or collclea@iu.edu for any questions or assistance with the application process.
Financial Resources for Graduate Students

Students pursuing a graduate degree from the Indiana University School of Nursing can take advantage of a number of resources to help fund their education.

Scholarships are available for graduate nursing students. The IUPUI Office of Student Scholarships offers an online resource for scholarship information and applications. Students can access details about campus-based scholarship awards as well as helpful tips on searching for external scholarships available through other agencies and organizations. Visit http://scholarships.iupui.edu/ for more information. The Indiana University School of Nursing also awards over $700,000 in scholarships each year to current undergraduate and graduate students. For detailed information about available awards, please visit http://nursing.iupui.edu/graduate/tuition/scholarships.shtml. In addition to institutional and private scholarships, students can also explore scholarships from national nursing organizations. The American Association of Colleges of Nursing (http://www.aacn.nche.edu/students/scholarships) and Johnson & Johnson (http://www.discovernursing.com/scholarships) are excellent resources for information about national nursing scholarships.

Federal student loans, including the Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan and Federal Direct Graduate PLUS Loan programs, are also available for graduate students. These loans offer affordable interest rates and flexible repayment plans to assist students in covering their tuition, fees, book costs, and other educational expenses. For students interested in teaching, the Nurse Faculty Loan Program (NFLP) provides loan funds to help registered nurses complete a graduate education to become qualified nurse faculty. Participating IU School of Nursing students who agree to complete a core component of education-related courses in a qualifying program can receive NFLP funds to help cover the costs of their tuition, fees, and books. Following graduation, students who secure employment as full-time nursing faculty at an accredited school of nursing are eligible to receive a low interest rate, deferred repayment, and partial loan cancellation. Students maintaining full-time faculty employment for 4 years after graduation can have 85 percent of their loan forgiven.

Many graduate students also utilize alternative financial aid resources to help fund their graduate education. Veterans and members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their dependents may be eligible to receive financial assistance for their education. Visit http://veterans.iupui.edu/ for additional information. Many of our students also take advantage of tuition assistance or reimbursement through their employer.

For answers to your questions and information about available financial resources for Indiana University School of Nursing graduate students, please contact Nathan Loyd, Assistant Director of Student Financial Services, at (317) 274-5913 or gradaid@iupui.edu.

American Assembly for Men In Nursing

AAMN is the only professional organization for nurses that has improved gender inclusion in nursing profession by offering an environment of belongingness and collective learning for its members to excel in the profession. IU Health AAMN is the only chapter in the state of Indiana. It is open to men and women with membership ranging from nursing students to nursing professionals.
Check out the AAMN website at: http://aamn.org/aamn.shtml. Questions? Contact Marsha Baker at mb7@iu.edu.

**Recognitions**

Dawn Sullivan-Wright, Community Health Network Emergency Department CNS received the Community Art and Science of Nursing Award.

Kerista Hansell was awarded the Indianapolis Coalition for Patient Safety 2017 Patient Safety Hero Award as part of a Team at Community Health Network. The team was honored at the yearly luncheon ceremony on November 20th. Project title “Failure Modes Effects Analyses (FMEA) Multi-Disciplinary System-Wide Team to Improve Safety of a High Risk Medication In Maternity Services”. Sixth month outcome data showed a 67% decrease in the risk priority number established by the FMEA.

Diane Von Ah, PhD, RN, FAAN was named to the Supportive and Palliative Care Advisory Board by the National Institutes of Health, National Cancer Institute as a content expert to assist in the development of NCI’s PDQ® - (Physician Data Query) on Cognitive Impairment, which is NCI’s comprehensive trusted source of cancer information used by clinicians and the public worldwide. This work has resulted in the development and dissemination of evidence based recommendations on Cognitive Impairment in Adults with Non-Central Nervous Systems Cancers and may be accessed at: https://www.cancer.gov/about-cancer/treatment/side-effects/cognitive-impairment-hp-pdq

**Publications**

**Students, Faculty, Alumni and Preceptors**


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Kitchens, J., Sercer, F., Fulton, J. (2017). Keeping Nurses Up to Date with Cardiovascular Care. Poster presentation, Indiana Organization of Nurse Executives Fall Conference, French Lick, IN, October.


LaMothe, J. and Terry, B. (2017). Childhood and Adolescent Obesity Prevention in Primary Care. Podium presentation, 22nd Annual Indiana NAP-NAP Conference, Carmel, IN, September.

Convention Sigma Theta Tau International Society of Nursing, Indianapolis, IN, October 28-November 1.


Questions for the Master’s Advisor?

If you have any questions regarding any of our masters programs, please contact Colleen Cleary at (317)274-2806 or colclea@iu.edu.

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CNS Newsletter Submissions

The CNS Newsletter is electronically published and widely distributed bi-annually in the Fall and Spring.

It can be found on our website at http://nursing.iu.edu/graduate/careers.shtml or at CNS Newsletter.

If you are an IU alumnus(a) or student and have something to include in the newsletter, please send to: Lydia Lawrence at lawrenly@iu.edu.