



# Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science: News from the Chair



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Summer brings a sense of optimism and energy which well represents the sentiments of the Council Leadership following a very productive spring which included our annual face-to-face meeting at the Academy Headquarters in Washington, DC. We are excited about our new initiatives and future growth. My deep gratitude goes to the members of our partner organizations as well as our elected members who make up the Leadership Council. Here is a list for your information. Please feel free to contact any of us with your thoughts and ideas to advance the Council and nursing science.

Center, where she mentors nurse scientists and fosters interdisciplinary research collaboration. She conducts patient-centered research testing interventions to increase cancer screening among people at increased risk, minority populations, those with limited resources, and low literacy levels. Her current Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute-funded comparative effectiveness trial is testing two-tailored interventions to increase colon cancer screening among low income and minority patients. She previously served on the Council while President of Midwest Nursing Research Society

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I am excited to announce the results of the spring, 2019 Council election. New members of the Leadership Council will assume their roles following our Advanced Methods Conference on sensor technology this October. The new chair-elect is Dr. Susan Rawl from Indiana University and the Councilor-at-large is Dr. Robin Dail from the University of South Carolina. New nominating committee members are Dr. Judith Hupcey from Penn State University and Dr. Lorraine Robbins from Michigan State University.

Dr. Susan Rawl is a Professor of Nursing at Indiana University and co-leader of the Cancer Prevention and Control Program at Indiana University Simon Cancer

(MNRS) and as a member of the Awards Committee. Other leadership positions held include Chair of the American Cancer Society's Lakeshore Division Board and member of the Boards of Directors for the Indiana Cancer Consortium and the American Cancer Society, Indiana Area. She is a member of the American Academy of Nursing's Health Behavior Expert Panel. She has authored or co-authored more than 100 peer-reviewed publications, given 230 research presentations, and served as scientific reviewer for the National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR), National Cancer Institute, American Cancer Society, Department of Defense, and Oncology Nursing Society.

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Dr. Robin Dail is Associate Dean for Faculty Affairs and Professor at the University of South Carolina, College of Nursing. Dr. Dail practiced as a neonatal nurse and neonatal nurse practitioner for 25 years before beginning her academic career. Dr. Dail obtained her Associate Degree in Nursing from the University of Nevada, a Master's Degree in Nursing as a neonatal nurse practitioner from East Carolina University, and a PhD in Nursing from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Before coming to the University of South Carolina, Dr. Dail held a position at the Duke University, School of Nursing. Dr. Dail's program of research examines thermal stability in premature infants and the relationship of body temperature to morbidity and mortality in this vulnerable population. Her research has been funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, and GE Healthcare, as well as other foundations such as March of Dimes and the American Nurses Foundation. Dr. Dail is a Robert Wood Johnson Nurse Faculty Scholar (2010–2013) and an Amy V. Cockcroft Leadership fellow (2016–2017). She was inducted into the American Academy of Nursing in 2014. Currently, Dr. Dail has a 5-year study funded by the NINR (1R01NR017872-01A1) to examine body temperature and heart rate as a predictive measure for infection in very preterm infants.

Dr. Judith Hupcey is a Professor of Nursing, Medicine, and Bioethics and the Associate Dean for Graduate Education and Research at the Pennsylvania State University, College of Nursing. She is a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing. Her research has been funded by NINR and the American Heart Association and focuses on persons with heart failure at end of life and their family caregivers. She recently completed a study investigating the palliative care needs of persons with heart failure and their family caregivers. From this study, a cutting-edge model of palliative care for heart failure was developed. She has served on numerous national committees and recently as member of the NIH Nursing and Related Clinical Sciences study section, where she co-chaired the June 2018 session. Presently, she is a co-chair of the Nursing Committee of the Heart Failure Society of America, secretary of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing's Research Leadership Network, and a member of the Membership and Communications Committee of the Council on Cardiovascular and Stroke Nursing of the American Heart Association.

Dr. Lorraine Robbins is an Associate Professor in the College of Nursing at Michigan State University. Her research focuses on increasing physical activity and improving diet quality as a means to address adolescent obesity. Her efforts culminated in NIH funding to test the feasibility (R21HL090705; 2009–2011; Robbins, PI) and then efficacy (R01HL109101; 2011–2016; Robbins, PI) of a "Girls on the Move Intervention." "Girls on the Move" has impacted over 1,500 underserved, urban fifth to eighth grade girls by providing them with opportunities to increase their physical activity to promote their health. Dr. Robbins has published extensively in

both nursing and interdisciplinary journals. She completed a 2-year term as a member of the Editorial Advisory Board for the *Journal of School Nursing* and served on the Board of Editorial Consultants. Dr. Robbins has demonstrated a high level of leadership in nursing and has fostered the next generation of researchers by mentoring junior faculty and undergraduate and graduate students, both within and outside nursing, to be authors on publications and presentations. In the past, she served as a chairperson for the MNRS Adolescent Health Research Section and an appointed member of the MNRS Research Section Coordinating Committee. Currently, she is a member of the MNRS Planning Committee. She has received numerous awards, including the 2019 MNRS Health-Promoting Behaviors Across the Lifespan Research Section Senior Researcher Award. She collaborates with the Healthy Schools Initiative Committee for a school district in Lansing, Michigan to transform policies to promote student health. She is knowledgeable about and committed to reducing health disparities and promoting child, adolescent, and family health and positive behavior change. Her ultimate goal is to transform public health policy related to obesity prevention.

The Leadership Council has been carefully addressing many topics this summer including how to capitalize on the wealth of knowledge and experience of our retired members, financial stability, ways to engage donors, Program Committee roles and responsibilities, and the format of future conferences (in person and/or virtual).

Our Science Committee is hard at work on a follow-up paper to the 2017 paper – National nursing science priorities: Creating a shared vision. *Nursing Outlook*. 2017 Nov-Dec; 65(6):726–736: <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/28711216>. They will incorporate a current health and health care crisis, opioid use disorder through a framework of the 4 science priority areas addressed in the 2017 paper: (1) precision science; (2) big data and data analytics; (3) determinants of health; and (4) global health. The committee's long-term plans include examining the science priority areas through the lens of complexity theory. The science committee is also planning a panel presentation for the 2019 Advanced Methods Conference that will focus on sensor technology in research.

Our Early Career Special Interest Group (EC SIG) is indefatigable and has completed a number of activities this past winter and spring. The Second Annual Duck-Hee Kang Memorial Mentored Grant Writing Workshop will be held on October 22, 2019, under the leadership of former Council Chair Dr. Marti Rice and the EC SIG. A Duck-Hee Kang Advisory group has been established to guide the application review process. The EC SIG hosted a webinar in April 2019 titled, "Be So Good They Can't Ignore You: Tips and Tricks for Navigating the Faculty Job Search." Dr. Breanna Hetland presented strategies for enhancing a curriculum vitae in each facet of the tripartite mission (research, teaching, and service). The current membership of the EC SIG is 41 and spans from the Upper Northwest to the

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Southeast and nearly everywhere in between. The SIG represents PhD students, postdoctoral trainees, and assistant professors. The SIG is working to recruit additional early career nurse scientists as well as improve their representation from health systems, industry, and government affairs colleagues.

As you read this the Leadership Council and Advanced Methods Conference Program Committee is putting the final touches on our Conference on Sensor

Technology in Nursing Science to be held on October 23 to 24, 2019, just ahead of the Academy's Policy Conference. The conference will be held in Washington, DC at the Marriott Marquis Hotel. You won't want to miss our exciting keynote speaker, Dr. Nancy Redeker, discuss concepts, measures, and methods for using sensor technologies in nursing research. The conference will also include panel discussions on sensor exemplars, ethics, and analytics.