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A New World of Health Care
Preparing Nurses to Succeed in a Complex Environment
The theme of this year’s annual report, “A New World of Health Care” provides an interesting look at two aspects of our future. First, preparing nurses to succeed in the complex world of health care today and tomorrow has called for nursing schools across the nation to upgrade skills labs of the past to high fidelity simulation labs and translate complex theory into coursework that addresses quality, safety and evidence-based practice. Our school is no different, and some of this work is highlighted in the following pages.

Importantly, this mode of learning and emphasis on quality, safety and evidence extends beyond the mere introduction of skills in a foundations course and permeates the entire professional entry curriculum, as well as our graduate programs.

The other aspect of our future is seen through the comments of faculty who devote the majority of their time teaching professional entry students.

We commonly celebrate faculty achievements and laud the receipt of large research grants and prestigious awards, publications in major professional journals, and important acknowledgements of professional accomplishments. However, for overall impact on the profession and health care, our professional entry faculty members are our front line and are the individuals who have our future in their hands. Their contributions and legacy to our profession and to health care are immeasurable.

As you read about the accomplishments of our faculty, you will be impressed by the number of publications, presentations, prestigious awards, and research productivity. Yet, I predict you’ll be drawn to the article about our professional entry students and faculty — what they’re learning and how they’re learning about the new world they find themselves in, and what teaching means to these faculty members. They are our FUTURE and our FUTURE is bright!

Donna Hathaway, Dean
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Alumni Board President’s Message

As most of you are aware, the University of Tennessee Health Science Center and the College of Nursing are facing budget cuts that make it more important than ever to ask how we can show support to help our school achieve its goals. I personally encourage each of you to be a part of the college’s mission: “To prepare nurse leaders for excellence today and for the future.” We can share in the success stories and achievement of their goals by giving financially towards an endowment or scholarship, attending events that benefit the school, helping to sponsor students to attend alumni weekend, or by giving time to serve on the alumni board.

I am enjoying my time as the UTHSC College of Nursing alumni president and am extremely encouraged to see that the school continues to strive for excellence in keeping with their vision of “national recognition for transforming health care through innovative preparation of nurse leaders.”

This annual report will share with you vital information of what lies ahead as the college embraces its goals. The college continues to provide unparalleled leadership in academic programming and is consistently responsive to increasing the safety and quality of patient care. In recognition of the complexity of today’s health care environment, the UTHSC College of Nursing has developed a long-term strategic plan, “The 2010 Plan.” The college recognizes the need to provide the best approach for meeting the educational requirements for future nurses and is looking forward to making the 2010 Plan a reality.

I would also like to take this opportunity to extend a personal invitation for you to attend our 2009 Alumni Day on May 8 at the Hilton Memphis. This program will be an extraordinary opportunity to network with peers, show support for the College of Nursing and its future nurse leaders, and take part in an informative program by our keynote speaker, Christine Curran, PhD, RN, who will address Best Practices in Information Management to Ensure Quality and Safety.

And, please remember to support your UTHSC College of Nursing!

Madge Richbourg Saba ’66, President
UTHSC College of Nursing Alumni Association
Faculty members in the College of Nursing are taking time to LISTEN in an effort to help workforce nurses and students improve their information literacy skills; efforts are being aided through a three-year (2007-2010) Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) grant.

The LISTEN (Learning Information Seeking and Technology for Evidence-based Nursing practice) Project, is being directed by Cynthia K. Russell, PhD, professor in the College of Nursing. The goal of the project is to move workforce nurses at the Memphis Veterans Affairs Medical Center and student nurses at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center away from the historical tendency to rely on hearsay, opinion, and otherwise non-scientific data when seeking information related to patient care and practice protocols. Through online modules or group training sessions, nurse researchers aim to improve nurses’ and nursing students’ information literacy skills, knowledge and attitudes.

Information literacy, which is the ability to recognize an information gap, access, retrieve, appraise and use information in the clinical setting, is a vital key to delivering evidence-based care to patients. Negative outcomes can result in patient care if any of the five steps of information literacy are ignored. In addition to improving information literacy skills, directors of the study will enhance participants’ technology skills.

The LISTEN Project offers several helpful resources to support lifelong learning and information literacy skills that can be accessed from the project Web site (http://www.listenuphealth.org). At the LISTEN Web site you can find up-to-date material designed to keep students and nurses informed of evidence-based practice resources and information searching tips. It also offers a blog for commentary, an evidence-based tip of the week, and numerous online evidence-based Web site links that are labeled using key words or tags to help nurses locate information quickly through the LISTEN social bookmark site (http://del.icio.us/listenuphealth).

Cynthia Russell (CON), Heather Carter-Templeton (CON), Mona Patterson (CON), Stacy Clayton (CON), Pam Connor (College of Medicine), Lin Wu (Library), and Richard Nollan (Library) are all part of the LISTEN team. Project consultants include: Allan Carrington from the University of Adelaide, Adelaide, Australia; Dr. Christine Curran of the University of Massachusetts Memorial Medical Center, Boston, Massachusetts; Dr. Ann McKibbon of McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada; and Dr. Diane Skiba of the University of Colorado Health Science Center in Denver, Colorado. Dr. Curran, who is associate chief nursing officer and chief nursing informatics officer at the University of Massachusetts Memorial Medical Center, will also be the featured speaker for the 2009 Alumni Day. Dr. Curran has more than 30 years of experience in nursing with a combination of critical care, administrative and information technology knowledge. Read more about her upcoming Alumni Day presentation on page 13.

For more information about the LISTEN Project, please visit the LISTEN Web site at http://www.listenuphealth.org. Make sure to check out the Did You Know video by clicking on “Did You Know” in the column on the left side of the page.

Contact Heather Carter-Templeton if you have any questions about the LISTEN Project at hcartert@utmem.edu.

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Disaster Drill Tests Preparedness

In early May, about 20 UTHSC team members joined a cast of more than 150 volunteers for about four hours to participate in a live crash drill at the Memphis International Airport. The Federal Aviation Administration requires the Memphis/Shelby County Airport Authority (MSCAA) to perform a live crash drill at least every three years. This very large and “intense” drill included a significant number of local area emergency response units and facilities. The organizers were particularly interested in health care professionals for the value of the feedback. UTHSC volunteers played the role of crash casualties.

“UTHSC has a great relationship with the Memphis International Airport through our management of the Airport Health Station,” said Peg Hartig, PhD, FNP-BC, professor and chair, Department of Primary Care and Public Health, and past-president, UTHSC Faculty Senate. “They asked for our help in an event that turned out to be both a great learning experience and a public service.”

Tai Chi Touted in The Epoch Times

Veronica Engle, PhD, professor in the Department of Nursing Primary Care and Public Health, and her efforts to study how Tai Chi affects senior citizens were touted in The Epoch Times.

The article, which ran April 28 online, quoted a number of Tai Chi instructors who are participating in UTHSC and Tai Chi for Health’s joint effort to assess the health benefits of this ancient Chinese healing exercise, which combines slow movement with focused deep breathing.

The article also highlighted local efforts to celebrate World Tai Chi and Qigong Day, which is celebrated April 26 and aims to send a positive wave of energy around the world and draw attention to the benefits of Tai Chi and Qigong.

The Epoch Times is a privately held news media company with a network of local reporters throughout the world to uncover local stories that have global relevance. For a copy of the article that ran in The Epoch Times, please contact Communications and Marketing at (901) 448-5544.
Five graduate programs within three University of Tennessee Health Science Center colleges ranked in the top 100 in the U.S. News & World Report 2008 listing of America’s Best Graduate Schools. The College of Nursing was one of those on the list.

The Master of Science in Nursing ranked 32nd and the Master of Science in Nurse Anesthesia placed 52nd.

Other UTHSC programs that received recognition include the College of Pharmacy’s PharmD program, which ranked 16th in the nation, as well as the College of Allied Health Sciences’ Physical Therapy program, ranked 41st, and its Occupational Therapy program, placed 58th among national programs.

According to the magazine’s editors, the health rankings are based solely on the results of peer assessment surveys sent to deans, other administrators and/or faculty at accredited degree programs of schools in each discipline.

College Sponsors Annual National Public Health Nursing Conference

On May 29, the UTHSC College of Nursing sponsored its third annual National Public Health Nursing Conference & Webcast. The theme for the conference was “Impacting Public Health System: Ending Disparities through Policy and Action.”

Cathy R. Taylor, DrPH, MSN, RN, assistant commissioner of the Bureau of Health Services and a UTHSC CON graduate, was the keynote speaker for the conference and addressed the topic of “Galvanizing the Public Health Workforce.”

In addition to the keynote speaker, the conference format included two nationally renowned speakers. Kenneth Robinson, MD, the former Tennessee commissioner of health, spoke about “Public Health, Public Faith, and Public Policy,” and Pamela Kulbok, RN, DNSc, MS, APRN, BC, presented “Public Health Nursing: Building Competencies through Advocacy and Leadership.”

Panelists also spoke on the subject of “How Community Activity and/or Policy Affect Implementation of Programs in Clinical Areas or Communities,” and posters were presented in the areas of policy, practice, research and education within the field of Public Health Nursing. The conference received high to excellent evaluations from more than 80 participants.

The conference proceedings were videotaped and are now available on the conference Web site at http://www.utmem.edu/nursing/phnconference2008/
A national fellowship focused on leading the country’s health care system into the 21st century has been awarded to Mona N. Wicks, PhD, RN, associate dean for research at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center (UTHSC) College of Nursing. Dr. Wicks is one of 20 nurses in executive leadership roles nationwide selected as a 2008 Robert Wood Johnson Executive Nurse Fellow.

Now in its 11th year, the three-year fellowship program is designed to strategically position the voice of nursing across many sectors of the economy in a health care system undergoing unprecedented change and challenges.

“Nurses must play a pivotal role in leading the redesign and success of health care now and into the future,” said Dr. Wicks. “The Executive Nurse Fellowship is an intensive opportunity to develop critical leadership skills, work with a nationally recognized team of coaches and instructors from within the health care industry, as well as from other sectors of the economy, and benefit from collaboration with nursing and health care leaders throughout the country. I am honored and excited to be selected as a participant.”

“Dr. Wicks has made her mark in nursing as a scientific investigator and an educator,” commented UTHSC College of Nursing Dean Donna Hathaway. “Without a doubt, she deserves to be among the elite chosen for the Robert Wood Johnson fellowship.”

As part of the fellowship, Dr. Wicks will have an opportunity to undertake a leadership project to benefit the UT Health Science Center with funding support from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and matching funds from UTHSC. Her leadership project entails working with the newly established UTHSC Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI). With a goal of enhancing health outcomes in diverse populations, she will work with the CTSI to build effective and lasting partnerships between the university, community agencies and organizations that facilitate the conduct of clinical research.

Dr. Wicks is a widely published researcher and lecturer and has received numerous awards including the Chancellor’s Distinguished Educator Award (UTHSC), the Professional Achievement in Education Award from Women of Color in Health, Science and Education, and the Student Government Association Executive Council Excellence in Teaching Award. She is listed in four different Who’s Who directories: the ones spotlighting American women, Americans, nursing professionals, and America’s teachers. After obtaining her master’s degree from the University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Nursing, she completed her doctorate at Wayne State University, Detroit, Mich.

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Bedside nursing has had to respond to a rapidly changing health care environment. As a result, nursing education is changing with it,” said Irma Jordan, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC, instructor in the current BSN program. “From an illness standpoint, the acuity level is so much higher in hospitals today than in years past. Patients enter the hospital sicker and have a shorter length of stay than anytime in history; this dichotomy requires nurses who are capable of meeting the needs of complex patients in a complex environment.” Jordan’s perspective spans 30 years in the nursing profession, and she’s watched health care change up close and personal.

Jordan, along with five other instructors on the College of Nursing faculty, bring highly seasoned experience to the classroom, the laboratory and the bedside as they prepare entry-level nursing students for a whole new world of health care.

Teresa Britt, MSN, RN, director of the Clinical Simulation and Nursing Lab, underscored the situation succinctly, “Today, patients who used to be in ICU are now on the floor.”

A Broader Role

“The role of nursing has expanded,” explained Alise Farrell, MSN, RN, instructor, “Our students must learn to be leaders and critical thinkers because they are caring for more complex patients.” The typical patient today is older and in the hospital with multiple health problems. For example, a patient might be admitted with pneumonia but also have coronary artery disease, type 2 diabetes and be obese. This one patient may require multiple medications, a wide variety of tests and be under the care of an endocrinologist, a cardiologist, as well as a general practitioner.

“We need to be able to help patients through the health care maze,” noted Cindy Adymy, MSN, instructor. “In the old days, nothing was done on an outpatient basis. Now patients are in the hospital for three days instead of 10, and there’s so much more we have to do to get them ready for discharge. We literally have to educate them on their medications and, in most cases, help them prepare for permanent lifestyle changes.”
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“Today the entire family is more involved and is part of the decision making,” said Sandra Madubuonwu, MSN, RN, instructor, adding, “Before they would sit in the waiting room with no clue about what was happening to their loved one. Patients and their families are more empowered by the information we are able to give them, and their involvement reduces the patient’s hospital stay.”

Technology Advances and Complicates
Technological advances can lead to medical miracles but they also lead to a more complicated role for the nurse. Hallie Bensinger, MSN, instructor, commented that nurses today must continuously learn and adapt to new technology in every arena. “Labor and delivery used to depend upon internal fetal monitoring to determine short-term variability, but advances today allow external short-term variability monitoring that is just as accurate. This approach is less invasive, thus a safer way to monitor fetal well-being.”

Over her 20-year career, Bensinger has seen new wound care technology, porta-catheters for delivering meds and chemotherapy delivery systems, just to name a few advancements. “As a case in point,” she illustrated, “Hormone shots used to be given intramuscular with a 1 ½ inch needle. Now we do it subcutaneously with a ½ inch needle,” and emphasized that nurses are navigating much more complex machinery than ever before. “It’s just one more thing we have to cram into our cranium.”

“We don’t have the time with the patient we used to have, so today there’s more need for case coordination, and they rely on the nurses to do it,” said Admy, summarizing, “We’re the patient’s advocate.”

Safety and Quality A Top Priority
Shorter hospital stays and more complex patient illnesses require even greater attention to quality and safety. Starting October 1, the federal government will up the ante and not pay for some treatments related to medical errors.

Brittany Cardell, MSN, CNL, BC, clinical director of an inpatient unit at Le Bonheur Children’s Medical Center in Memphis, is also a preceptor and adjunct faculty for UTHSC College of Nursing students. “We have to get so much more done, and done right, in a
short period of time,” she explained. “Hospitals are taking quality and safety to a whole new level across the nation, and as the last stop before reaching the patient, nurses are hugely responsible for catching errors and preventing them from occurring.” Cardell pointed out that even with numerous double-check processes in place to catch errors, for example, in the medication pipeline, some still fall through the cracks, and the nurse must catch them before they reach the patients. “We can never stop thinking,” she emphasized.

The Heart of Nursing Education

“Clinical instructors and preceptors are not only the heart of nursing education, when it comes to preparing new nurses, they ARE nursing education,” said Dean Donna Hathaway, PhD, FAAN. “We continue to prepare bedside nurses and are fortunate to have such an experienced staff, as well as a wide variety of health care settings in which to educate them.” St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, Methodist University Hospital, the Regional Medical Center (The MED), Le Bonheur Children’s Medical Center, and the VA Medical Center are all practice sites for College of Nursing students.

Managing the day-to-day running of the program for pre-licensure students is Tommie Norris, DNSc, RN, director of the Professional Entry Program. “Our last class of BSN-RN professional entry students entered in July 2008, and the first class of MSN-RN professional entry-Clinical Nurse Leader students will begin their program next summer,” she noted. In nursing education since 1986, Norris has seen major shifts in health care and works to ensure that the curriculum prepares student nurses to meet today’s complex new requirements for skilled nursing care. In preparing for licensure, students meet in traditional and online classes, practice in the skills and simulation lab on campus, and shadow nurse preceptors in the real world of local hospitals.

“Safety and quality concepts are introduced the very first term and threaded throughout the curriculum for all three terms of the program,” Norris explained. In addition to more traditional courses such as adult health, mental health, pediatrics, and reproductive health, students today also have classes in clinical anatomy, genetics, informatics, pharmacology, pathophysiology, evidence-based practice and acute care of complex patients.

“Today we must teach more holistically because we must prepare the patient for home care after a hospital stay,” Farrell observed.

“We must prepare our students to care for the total patient,” added Jordan. “Nurses must see their patient not just in the traditional sense but also as a family and as a community. The net effect is that nursing education today is so much more in-depth and all encompassing. Nurses must be prepared to care for the particular needs of a patient and identify resources to meet those needs.”
Evidence-based Practice

“Nursing research supports why we do what we do,” said Adyymy. “That is why today’s student must become familiar with an abundance of research. We must know exactly and precisely when a certain procedure is needed and why it works. For example, we turn patients every two hours because research says it prevents bed sores.”

Madubuonwu, a nurse for 18 years and a clinical nurse specialist, pointed out that research has advanced nursing practice in nearly every area of patient care. For example, evidence has shown that a safety measure called “the six rights of medication administration,” which the nurse has to observe before giving any medication, has substantially reduced medication errors. “We used to do something just because that’s the way it had always been done,” she said. “Now, we teach evidence-based practice and expect nurses to be familiar with it or at least know where to go to find the answer before making a critical decision.”

“Evidence-based practice assures we are performing for the optimal level of patient benefit,” summarized Christine Purchase, preceptor and staff nurse at Methodist Germantown Hospital.

High-Tech Simulation and Skills Training

“More than ever, nurses must develop and use assessment skills and work in collaboration with the physician,” said Madubuonwu. “If the patient’s status changes, the nurse doesn’t have to wait for the doctor to arrive; her assessment of symptoms should be thorough enough that the doctor can give the order over the phone.” Nursing students learn these kinds of skills in the simulation lab where computerized mannequins can speak and “breathe,” and have recorded human bowel sounds, heart sounds, blood pressure and pulses.

“A mere 15 years or so ago, we used a mannequin to learn to bathe the patient and give injections; but computer simulation has advanced at the same fast pace as computer technology,” said Britt, director of the simulation lab. “Every year we see more bells and whistles added. We can preprogram the simulator with 50 different medical surgical scenarios.” A “pregnant” mannequin that actually delivers a baby and a newborn simulator that moves, cries and changes color also help students learn the intricacies of childbirth.

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"Our lab can be configured to replicate many different health care settings. We can take our students to a higher level of complexity and problem solving before they have to face real patients," explained Britt.

**Clinical Preceptor – A Guide for the Real World**

"As a preceptor, my primary responsibility is to role model appropriate behavior again, again and again. We can’t just tell students what to do," emphasized Le Bonheur’s Cardell.

"Preceptors have to set the example and model professionalism," added Purchase, "We must convey the concept that patients always come first."

Alfe White, BSN, RN, preceptor at Methodist South, works on the medical surgical floor and helps students focus on the diagnosis, noting "We train according to each patient; it’s a lot of work but we must be dedicated because it makes a difference with the students."

"The world that clinical instructors and preceptors are preparing students for is vastly different than the world most of us encountered as students. The challenge facing today’s faculty is to prepare students to step immediately into a highly complex environment that demands mastery of sophisticated technical skills coupled with a high degree of critical thinking and problem solving. At the same time, faculty must think futuristically and prepare their students to be lifelong learners in an ever-changing health care environment. "Without doubt, the contributions of our clinical faculty and preceptors are key to the future of nursing and the health of our nation," concluded Dean Hathaway.

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**Instructor Teresa Britt assists senior Jada Love with a “virtual IV” used to practice drawing blood; the technology is valued at $12,000.**

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**Instructor Teresa Britt supports graduating BSN seniors Marcia Enggano, Russell Jones and Jerri Wilson as they practice retrieving patient updates.**

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**Senior Jerri Wilson checks patient breathing while senior Russell Jones monitors vital signs and IV levels for the elderly mannequin patient.**
Alumni Speaker 2009 to Offer Insight Into Information Management

For those who get frustrated with information technology in the clinical setting or wonder how to maximize its use, you won’t want to miss 2009 Alumni Day speaker Christine R. Curran, PhD, RN, CNA.

Dr. Curran, who is a nurse informaticist with expertise in human computer interaction and clinical decision making, will speak on “Best Practices in Information Management to Ensure Quality and Safety” at the Hilton Memphis on May 8.

Dr. Curran, an associate chief nursing officer and chief nursing informatics officer at the University of Massachusetts Memorial Medical Center, has a wealth of experience to share. Dr. Curran has spent more than 30 years in nursing with a combination of critical care, administrative, and information technology experience. She has worked with implementations of clinical information systems, has an extensive background in work redesign/restructuring initiatives, and development of clinical competencies, and professional practice models.

Dr. Curran has held dual practice and academic positions for five of the last six years in her current role and as an associate professor of clinical nursing at The Ohio State University College of Nursing. Prior to this position, Dr. Curran was a faculty member at Columbia University in the School of Nursing. She also has worked at Penn State’s Milton S. Hershey Medical Center where she was the associate director, information technology, and director, Division of Surgical Nursing and Nursing Informatics.

Dr. Curran’s research has focused on developing effective data displays to improve clinical decision making by nurses at the point of care, in particular, the development of icons and other graphical displays for use in the electronic medical record. She was the project director for a Nursing, Education, Practice & Retention HRSA grant titled “Using Clinical Information Systems at the Point of Care.” The grant had two major purposes: 1) to develop nursing students’ skills in using technology for the delivery of high-quality patient care and 2) to improve practicing registered nurses’ access to and use of patient and reference information at the point of care.

Dr. Curran has an undergraduate degree in nursing from Duke University, a master’s degree in nursing from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a PhD in nursing informatics from the University of Maryland.

In Memoriam

Betty Peterson Lambertson, 72, of Knoxville, passed away April 2. She graduated from the College of Nursing in 1959 and worked as a psychiatric nurse for many years on St. Mary’s Tower 4 and loved it very much.

Class Notes

Donna Holleman, (Class of September 1944) of Columbus, Miss., writes: “am enjoying ‘retirement home’ living. Very little work and lots of leisure.”
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Alumni Award Winners

Madge Saba (left), president of the UTHSC College of Nursing Alumni Association, presents Cathy R. Taylor, DrPH, MSN, RN, with the 2008 Outstanding Alumna Award during Alumni Day in April.

Madge Saba (left), president of the UTHSC College of Nursing Alumni Association, presents John Michael Briley, DNP, APN, with the 2008 Most Supportive Alumnus Award during Alumni Day in April.

McAdams Retires After 29 Years

Barbara McAdams has very capably led the alumni office and alumni staff at UTHSC for more than 29 years. On June 30, Barbara retired, and the university lost a very dedicated employee as well as a passionate supporter of alumni programming at UTHSC. She advanced UTHSC’s alumni affairs office operations and helped build a strong college-oriented alumni program. Barbara’s work, dedication and leadership on behalf of the University of Tennessee is appreciated.

Moving forward, the search for a dynamic, energetic person to lead the alumni operations will begin immediately. Development and Alumni Affairs’ plan is to work with UTHSC campus leadership to coordinate this search and to keep alumni informed of the progress. It is anticipated that the search will be completed prior to the start of the calendar year.

During the interim, while the search is being conducted, Lofton Stuart, executive director, UT Alumni Association, and special assistant to the president, and Linda Garceau-Luis, vice chancellor, Development and Alumni Affairs, have asked Kris Phillips, a veteran director in the system-wide alumni office, to come to Memphis three days a week to work with other alumni staff members. He will assist in evaluating UTHSC’s alumni office operations, assure continued forward movement and support the many wonderful programs on behalf of alumni. Kris brings 11 years of advancement experience to this new role, having served in various alumni leadership roles at both UT and his alma mater, Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, Tenn.

It is an exciting time to be involved with the University of Tennessee. This institution has embarked upon the largest fundraising campaign in UT’s history — The Campaign for Tennessee. As Alumni Affairs diligently works with both alumni and development staff toward the university’s goal of $1 billion, it will continue to provide staffing for alumni activities, as well as seek new ways to be of service to the alumni and the university.
As donors, you are truly our partners. Your support is vital to the College of Nursing and helps to provide an outstanding educational experience for our students, as well as support our efforts to attract and retain the best and the brightest faculty members. Your investment in the college advances ground-breaking basic, clinical and translational research on the most pressing health care issues we face today, leading us to better treatments that benefit untold thousands of people around the world. We thank you for your gifts and ask you to continue to support the college through your generous philanthropy. For more information on making a gift to the college, contact Leigh Stubbs at lrstubbs@utmem.edu or (901) 448-5516. For more information on deferred giving plans, contact Bethany Goolsby at (901) 448-5516 or toll free at (865) 974-2115.

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Helen L. Erikson and Glenn T. Erikson
Deborah J. Esmon
Ellen M. Faribault
Eleanor H. Faulk
Rachel Dickson Fieg and Lothar Fieg
Cynthia Lynn Fish
Dr. James Christian Fleming and
Anne O. Fleming
Carol Esser Francisco and Dr. Jerry T. Francisco
Diane Marie Furmanski and John A. Furmanski
Dr. Elizabeth F. Fuselier
Melanie Kay Gardner and David M. Gardner
Marie B. Gay and William D. Gay
Suzanne T. Gentry and Dr. James H. Gentry, Jr.
Deana O. Geraets and Dr. Douglas R. Geraets
Nancy Rainwater Gilliam and Ralph G. Gilliam
Bethany K. Goolsby
Eunice J. Gordge and William Gordge
Joyce Grace
Dr. Joyce Carolyn Graff
Patricia Anne Grayson
Dr. E. Dianne Greenhill
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Dr. Bob Halliburton and
Donna Marie Halliburton
Paul S. Hanna and Tommye B. Hanna
C. George Hanson, Jr.
Gladys G. Hanson and Clinton Hanson
Judy Carol Harding-Valdez and Jose Valdez
Vanessa J. Harrington and Alvin F. Harrington
Dr. Margaret Thorman Hartig
Dr. Mary S. Hartwig and Dr. Charles W. Hartwig
Dr. Margaret B. Harvey
Mildred Louise Harvey
Carol Harville and Jerry Harville
Christine Cobb Hasselle
Dr. Donna K. Hathaway and Tom Hathaway
Dr. Carol Motes Headley and Arthur Stacey Headley
Betty J. Henry and Johnny Henry
Linda F. Herron
Irene Burch Hervery
Dr. Martha E. Highfield and Dr. Ronald C. Highfield
Mitzi B. Higley
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Theresa Marie Hogg and John Hogg
Tara C. Holt
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Nancy Learned and Paul D. Learned
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Mertie Long
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Reba Hare Lunney
Dr. Samuel L. Maceri and Mrs. Kay Maceri
Clara A. Mason and Eddie W. Mason
Sandra K. Massey
M’Liss Darr Mather and Dr. Jon A. Mather
Dr. Rebecca Lee Matthews
Mary Kathleen Mayhew and Curtis Mayhew
Allen G. Mays and Rachel Ann Renfro Mays
Emma P. McCain and Dr. Garland E. McCain
Vicki D. McCall and Dr. John G. McCall
Deanne P. McCormick and Dr. William F. McCormick
Nancy McGarr and Keith Alan McGarr
Wynema McGrew
Rose L. McKelvie and Michael McKelvie
Dr. Leslie M. McKeon
Helen Whitlow Meredith
Rita Kimbro Miller and Vollie T. Miller, Jr.
Sarah R. Miller
Dr. Kenneth R. Mills and Rena G. Mills
Cecilia Beverly Mittmann and Lt. Col. Kurt Mittmann
Lucille Moore and Harry R. Moore
Alice E. Morris
Glenda F. Moses and Michael Moses
Nancy S. Moss and Mr. Moss
Janet Flynn Mulroy and Matthew M. Mulroy
Dr. Sarah I. Mynatt and Robert Mynatt
Judy E. Narramore and William J. Narramore
Martha Nooner Nelson and Mr. Stewart P. Nelson
Dr. Margaret A. Newman
Cynthia Harrison Nichols and Mr. Steven Nichols
Dr. James A. Nunery, Jr. and Dr. Alice P. Nunery
E. Wynell Orman
Jane Snedeker Owen and Robert C. Owen
Lindaree L. Pearce
Nancy Elizabeth Pechacek and Dr. Alan Pechacek
Cynthia S. Pendergrass and Joseph C. Pendergrass, III
Catherine L. Pfeiffer
Dr. J. R. Thomas and Pauline McCarley Pinson
Billy N. Potter and Patsy Potter
Dr. Stephanie A. Powelson and Tim Tucker
Dr. Sylvia C. Price and Joseph W. Price
Betty Ragle
Dorothy F. Redden
Elinor F. Reed
Lillian D. Riddick
Emma F. Roberson
Susan Rossen and Richard G. Rossen
Dr. Cynthia K. Russell
At the Alumni Awards luncheon on April 25 the Dorothy Martin Scholarship Endowment and the Brenda C. Mills Scholarship Endowment were recognized with the unveiling of commemorative zinc plaques that now hang in the lobby of the College of Nursing.

The Dorothy McCarley Martin Scholarship Endowment was recently established by Mr. Dean Martin, her husband of 50 years from Franklin, Tenn. Dorothy McCarley Martin was a 1956 graduate of the University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Nursing, earning her Bachelor of Science in nursing. She provided nursing care to U.S. Armed Services veterans for more than 30 years.

The Brenda C. Mills Scholarship Endowment honors Brenda who served the people of Tennessee as an educator and nurse practitioner for more than 25 years. Dr. Mills was also a flight nurse in the United States Air Force Air National Guard, retiring as a commander in 1994.
Distinguished Visiting Professors

July 2007
Elinor F. Reed DVP

Dr. Marci Van Riper, an associate professor in the School of Nursing at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, was the guest lecturer for the 2007 Elinor F. Reed Distinguished Visiting Professorship, held on July 26, 2007.

Dr. Van Riper’s topic was, “Legal and Social Implications of Recent Advances in Genomics.” Dr. Van Riper has a joint appointment in the School of Nursing and the Carolina Center for Genome Sciences. Currently, Dr. Van Riper is the division chair of the Division of Family Health. Dr. Van Riper received a bachelor’s in nursing from De Pauw University, a master’s in nursing from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, a master’s in bioethics (with an emphasis on genetic issues) from Case Western Reserve University, and a doctorate in nursing and psychology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Dr. Van Riper has conducted numerous studies concerning how families respond to being tested for and living with a genetic condition. Currently she is conducting a study about African-American families with sickle cell disease, a study about how we train Ethical, Legal and Social Implications researchers, and a study exploring attitudes and beliefs about pharmacogenetic testing.

November 2007
William T. Cashdollar DVP

Dr. Javier Kane, associate member, Department of Oncology, and director, palliative medicine and end-of-life care, was the 2007 speaker for the William T. Cashdollar Distinguished Visiting Professorship, held on November 2, 2007.

Dr. Kane’s topic was “Understanding Principles of Pediatric Palliative Care.” Prior to his current appointments, Dr. Kane was associate professor of pediatrics in the Division of Hematology Oncology Immunology, Department of Pediatrics, at the University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio, Texas (UTHSCSA, 1995 - 2006). Dr. Kane was also a medical staff member of the Cancer and Blood Disorders Center and director of the Brain and Spinal Cord Tumor Program at Christus Santa Rosa Children’s Hospital.

Dr. Kane is interested in the care of children and their families who are suffering from incurable illnesses. In San Antonio, he was the founder and director of the award winning “A.C.T. (Advanced Care Team) for Children and Families” program, a collaborative initiative between UTHSCSA, Christus Santa Rosa Children’s Hospital and Christus Home Care, with the goal to provide relationship-based, patient and family-centered medical care aimed at attending suffering and helping patients and their families achieve the best quality of life possible.

At St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, Dr. Kane now leads patient care, education and research initiatives designed to enhance the quality of palliative and end-of-life care for patients suffering from complex chronic conditions. Dr. Kane, along with his colleagues at St. Jude, developed the Individualized Care Planning and Coordination model designed to facilitate the integration of palliative care principles and practices into the mainstream of pediatric oncology care.

January 2008
Beverly H. Bowns DVP

Virginia Trotter Betts, commissioner, Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities, was the keynote speaker for the January 2008 Beverly H. Bowns Distinguished Visiting Professorship held January 24.

The purpose of the conference was to educate students, faculty and community professionals on the nature of addictions and effective interventions. The title of the program was “Substance Abuse: The Hidden Illness.”
Tim Porter-O’Grady, DM, EdD, ScD(h), FAAN, was the dynamic guest lecturer for the April 2008 Mary L. Morris Distinguished Visiting Professorship held April 25. More than 300 attendees were at the lecture. Dr. Porter-O’Grady’s topic was “21st Century Health Care: Transforming the Future of Practice.”

Dr. Porter-O’Grady has been involved in health care for 38 years and has held roles from staff nurse to senior executive in a variety of health care settings. Tim is currently senior partner of an international health care consulting firm in Atlanta specializing in health futures, organizational innovation, conflict and change, as well as health service delivery models. He is noted for his work on shared governance models, clinical leadership, conflict, innovation and health futures. He is associate professor and leadership scholar at Arizona State University, Program in Healthcare Innovation; 2007 Visiting Scholar at University of Maryland; and is an adjunct professor at Lakehead University, School of Public Health, Ontario, Canada.

Dr. Porter-O’Grady holds graduate degrees in clinical leadership — two doctorates, one in learning behavior and a second in organizational and systems leadership. In addition, he received a Doctor of Science degree, honoris causa, from the Medical University of Ohio. He has done postdoctoral work in aging and is board-certified in advanced practice in gerontology. He is also certified by the Georgia Supreme Court’s Office of Dispute Resolution as a registered mediator and arbitrator.

### College of Nursing Giving by Allocation FY 2008

**Endowed Funds:**
- Brenda C. Mills Scholarship Endowment $14,434.46
- Dorothy McCarley Martin Nursing Scholarship 700.00
- Faculty Minority Scholarship Endowment 940.00
- Grace Spice Wallace Scholarship Endowment 510.00
- Lauralee Kathryn Larrabee Endowment 50.00
- Margaret Newman Endowment 2,950.00
- Marie E. Buckley Scholarship Endowment 1,095.27
- Ruth Neil Murry Endowed Chair 13,265.16
- The Friends of the Help Center Endowment 1,000.08
- William T. Cashdollar Endowment 20,475.00

**Total Endowment** $55,419.97

**Current Operations:**
- Fund for Nursing Education $17,502.08
- Whitehead Scholarship Fund 49,000.00
- Josephine Circle Scholarship 6,000.00
- College of Nursing Program Fund 400.00

**Total Current Operations** $72,902.08

**Total Endowed and Current Operations** $128,322.05
Graduation — May 2008

Doctor of Philosophy, Nursing

Dina Byers
Belinda Mandrell
Dana Manley
Nina Sublette
Jerithea Tidwell

Doctor of Nursing Practice

Martha Katheryn Ballard
Laura Schluter Bonanno
Lynne Joanne Bouffard
Janet Garrity Campbell
Juana Cantú-Cabrera
Betty Gwen Carlton
Jodi Lea Cressler
Jill L. Cunningham
Darlene Monica Dansby
Diane Ruth Elbers-Keahey
Betty Jo Ellington
Monica Jean Esparza-Myers
Gwendolyn Savoy George
Michael Dennis Greene
Matthew Vincent Hadley
Jennifer Anne Hanley
Christopher Todd Harlan
Donna Ferrell Gill
Michelle Dawn Hickerson
Brenda Jean Hutchins
Joanie Cool Jackson

Vickie Stuart Jordan
Teresa Marie Judge-Ellis
Kimba Jane Keel
Carol Lynn Klamser
Betty Hensley Lang
Robert David Lane
Karen Marie Lasater
Julie Wood Lott
Carol Ann Matthews
Laura Ann Melaro
Angelia Clark Morris
Lana Nadine Nealand
Delilah Marie Pennington
Dianna Lynn Phares
Gary Robert Ramsey
Lillian C. Robertson
Tracy Lytle Saddler
Deborah Lynn St. Germain
Jane John Thayer
Debra Gail Walker
Mindy Gearhart Wright
Johnny O’Neal Wyatt
### 2008 College of Nursing Student Awards

**Alumni Award**

Presented by the Alumni Association of the University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Nursing to a student who has displayed genuine enthusiasm for learning and nursing in addition to superior skill in providing patient care and an outstanding ability to interact with peers, patients and staff.

Lynne Bouffard

**Sigma Theta Tau**

Membership in the University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Nursing Beta Theta Chapter-at-Large of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society is an honor conferred on students who demonstrate academic and clinical excellence in their nursing courses.

Donna Gill
Laura K. Melaro

### IMHOTEP Society

IMHOTEP is a leadership recognition organization that honors students who have contributed to student government and student life.

Kathleen Behnke
Danielle Bell
Jennifer L. Brandon
Carolina Goodman
Megan Goodrich
Ashlee Haynes
K. Elaine Hubbard
Blake Jeffries
Russell Jones
Courtney Langston

Jada J. Love
Katy Meinbresse
Brandy Moates
Claudette Morrison
Teresa Nichols
Nicholas Pierce
Melissa Sisko
Christle Stanton
Michelle Takir
Mary-Kathryn Vescovo

### Student Organizations and Officers

#### Student Government Association - SGA

- **President**: Nicholas Pierce
- **Vice President**: Courtney Langston
- **Secretary/Treasurer**: Carolina Goodman
- **Social Chair**: Claudette Morrison
- **Nursing Student Assistant Program Chairperson**: Blake Jeffries
- **BSN Option Rep.**: Katy Meinbresse
- **DNP Option Rep.**: Brandy Moates
- **MSN Option Rep.**: Mary-Kathryn Vescovo
- **Honor Council President**: Kathleen Behnke

#### Black Student Association - BSA

- **President**: Jerri Wilson
- **Vice President**: Ashlee Haynes
- **Historian**: Jada Love
- **Secretary**: Danielle Bell
- **Faculty/Staff Advisors**: Dr. Mona Wicks and Christi Shelton

#### Student Nursing Association - SNA

- **President**: Russell Jones
- **Vice President**: Jennifer Brandon
- **Treasurer**: Teresa M. Nichols
- **Secretary**: Megan Goodrich
- **Historian/Reporter**: Melissa Sisko
- **Membership Chairman**: K. Elaine Hubbard
- **Community Service Chairman**: Michelle Takir
- **Faculty/Staff Advisors**: Hallie Bensinger, Julie Overbey and April Jones

### Student Milestone

Mayola Rowser, PhD candidate, DNP, FNP-BC, PMHNP, successfully defended her PhD dissertation this spring. Dr. Rowser, whose advisor is Muriel Rice, PhD, is believed to be one of the first, if not the first to complete both PhD nursing and DNP degree programs. Upon completion of her final examination, Dr. Rowser will officially be a PhD; the College of Nursing wanted to share this milestone. We are very proud of Dr. Rowser!
Before graduating in May, Lynne Bouffard, DNP, presented a poster at the American College of Cardiology conference. Partial funding for the trip was provided by doctoral student funds through CON Dean Donna Hathaway.

In addition to numerous presentations and recognitions, Dr. Bouffard was named 2008 Nurse Ambassador Award winner for the Christiana Care Health System, her employer in Delaware. She has been involved with many projects and created a great deal of excitement among the staff nurses as she exercised her leadership skills at work.

Dr. Bouffard also received an alumna award at the May 2008 College of Nursing convocation.
Faculty Activities (not review boards or funding)

2007-2008 Faculty Information

**Dwayne Accardo, CRNA, MSNA ------ (Instructor)**
- **Certifications:** Council on Recertification of Nurse Anesthetists; ACLS; BLS
- **Consultations:** Chapter Review and editing chapter 20 in Contemporary Maternal-Newborn Nursing 7th ed. for Prentice Hall
- **Organizations:** Tennessee Nurses Association (Education Committee); American Nurses Association
- **Special Appointments or Roles:** Education Committee Tennessee Association of Nurse Anesthetists

**Cindy Adymy, MSN, APRN, BC, CNOR, ONC, CLNC --------------- (Instructor)**
- **Certifications:** American Nurses Credentialing Center; National Certification Board; National Certification for Legal Nurse Consultants; Perioperative Nursing & Orthopaedic Nursing
- **Presentations:** 1 Local Invited; 2 National Invited; 1 International Invited
- **Organizations:** Tennessee Nurses Association; American Association of PeriOperative Nurses; American Nurses Association; National Association of Orthopaedic Nurses

**Hallie Bensinger, MSN, FNP, RNC ---- (Instructor)**
- **Certifications:** American Nurses Credentialing Center; NCC Reproductive Endocrinology and Infertility: BLS; STABLE; Neonatal Resuscitation Program
- **Practice:** Memphis OB/GYN
- **Organizations:** Zachariah Davies NSDAR (Chapter 2nd Vice Regent)
- **Honors:** Nominated to attend and did attend Vanderbilt University School of Nursing “Tennessee Center for Nursing Faculty Institute for Excellence in Nursing Education”

**Teresa Britt, MSN, RN ---------------- (Instructor)**
- **Organizations:** Tennessee Nurses Association; American Nurses Association; International Nursing Association of Clinical Simulation and Learning (Membership Board Member); Sigma Theta Tau International, Beta Theta-at-Large (Faculty Counselor representing UT CON)
- **Community Service:** Senior Olympics

**Jacqueline L. Rosenjack Burchum, DNSc, FNP-BC, CNE -------------------------- (Associate Professor)**
- **Certifications:** American Nurses Credentialing Center (Family Nurse Practitioner); National League for Nursing (Certified Nurse Educator)
- **Presentations:** 1 Local Refereed; 1 National Refereed
- **Publications:** Computers, Informatics, Nursing; MERLOT Journal of Online Learning and Teaching; Issues and Trends Online for Contemporary Nursing; M. Adams & R. Koch’s Pharmacology for Nurses
- **Organizations:** Tennessee Nurses Association (District 6 Secretary); American Nurses Association; National League for Nursing; National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties; Sigma Theta Tau International (Distance Learning Committee peer reviewer); Transcultural Nursing Society
- **Community Service:** National Health Service Corps Ambassador
- **Honors:** SGAEC Excellence in Teaching Award 2007
- **Special Appointments or Roles:** 2007 Item writer for the NCLEX-RN Licensure Examination

**Michael A. Carter, DNSc, FAAN, FNP-BC ------------------------------ (University Distinguished Professor)**
- **Certifications:** American Nurses Credentialing Center
- **Presentations:** 1 National Refereed
- **Publications:** Education in Nursing: A Professional Obligation; The Evolution of Doctoral Education in Nursing
- **Organizations:** Arkansas Nurses Association; American Nurses Association; American Academy of Nursing; Society of Primary Care Policy Fellows; American Association for the Advancement of Science; American College of Rheumatology; National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (Treasurer); Sigma Theta Tau International
- **Consultations:** Reviewer of DePaul University Nursing Department
- **Community Service:** Christian Health Center, Heber Springs, Ark., Board of Directors; Frontier Nursing Service, Inc., Board of Governors; Frontier School of Midwifery and Family Nursing Board of Directors and the Academic Affairs Committee; Mary Brekenridge Hospital, Hyden, Ky., Board of Directors; Frontier Nursing Health Care, Inc., Board of Directors; Frontier Nursing Service Real Estate, Inc., Board
of Directors • Frontier Nursing Service Foundation, Inc., Board of Directors • Baptist Memorial College of Health Sciences, Board of Directors and Academic Affairs Committee • American Red Cross, National Nursing Committee • Special Appointments or Roles • Frontier Nursing Service, Inc., Board of Governors (Member, Executive Committee) • Frontier School of Midwifery & Family Nursing, Board of Directors (Member, Academic Affairs Committee) • Mary Breckenridge Hospital, Hyden, Ky., Board of Directors • Frontier Nursing Healthcare, Inc., Board of Directors • Frontier Nursing Service Real Estate, Inc., Board of Directors • Frontier Nursing Service Foundation, Inc., Board of Directors • Baptist College of Health Sciences, Board of Directors (Member, Academic Affairs Committee) • American Red Cross, National Nursing Committee • Christian Health Center, Heber Springs, Ark., Board of Directors

**Ann Cashion, PhD, RN, FAAN**

(Professor, Director, Center Health Evaluation & Lifestyle Promotion) ▶ **Presentations:** 1 Regional Invited; 4 Regional Refereed ▶ **Organizations:** Tennessee Nurses Association; Southern Regional Education Board (SREB): Ad Hoc Committee on Genetics (Executive Committee); American Nurses Association; American Nephrology Nurses’ Association; International Society of Nurses in Genetics (Past-President and Board Member); International Transplant Nurses Society; Sigma Theta Tau — Beta Theta Chapter-at-Large ▶ **Community Service:** Pink Palace Presentation on Genetics ▶ **Special Appointments or Roles:** • Acute and Chronic Care Department Chair • Evaluation of Genomic Applications in Practice and Prevention Stakeholders Group (EGAPP Stakeholders Group), (CDC Public Health Initiative) • NIH Study Section Initial Review Group (NRRC) member (Training Grant Reviews)

**Patricia A. Cowan, PhD, RN**

(Associate Professor) ▶ **Presentations:** 12 Regional Refereed ▶ **Publications:** Journal of the International Society of Sports Nutrition; Journal of the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners; Progress in Transplantation; Therapeutic Advances in Cardiovascular Disease; Diabetes Care; CIN: Computers, Informatics, Nursing; Journal of Nutrition, Health, & Aging; Cell Transplantation; Journal of the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners; Medicine & Science in Sports and Exercise ▶ **Organizations:** Sigma Theta Tau (Board, Leadership Succession, Grants/Scholarships and Awards Committee); Southern Nursing Research Society; American College of Sports Medicine; American Heart Association; American Nurses Association; Nephrology Nurses Association ▶ **Community Service:** Delta Healthcare Consortium — Research day for Coahoma Community College students and area high school students • “All About Science”— science inservice for Memphis City middle and high school teachers • Career day speaker – Memphis area high school • Science fair reviewer • Diabetes screening – Fellowship Church of God in Christ (black church) and St. George’s church • Blood pressure screening – Fellowship Church of God in Christ (black church) and St. George’s church • Speaker on obesity at area school • Health fair – Emmanuel Center • Eight week pedometer walking program – area church • Coordinate CPR training – area church • Feed the homeless — More than a Meal • Mentor minority college students (McNair plus others) • Nutritional and hygiene “care packages” to dental reservists serving in Iraq • Centre Infantile (San Miguel de Allende, Mexico) and Feed the Hungry Soup Kitchen ▶ **Honors:** • Nominated for Outstanding Graduate Faculty Advisor – UTHSC College of Graduate Health Sciences • Nominated for Outstanding PhD Advisor, Southern Regional Educational Board

**Patricia D. Cunningham, DNSc, APRN-PMH, FNP**

(Associate Professor) ▶ **Certifications:** Family Nurse Practitioner; Clinical Nurse Specialist in Adult Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing; Family Psychiatric and Mental Health Nurse Practitioner ▶ **Presentations:** 1 Local Invited; 1 National Invited; 1 National Refereed ▶ **Practice:** Help Center, Memphis, Tenn. ▶ **Publications:** Journal of Nursing Care Quality; The Nurse Practitioner; The Nurse Practitioner Journal; Journal of Lower Genital Tract Disease; The Primary Care Companion of the Journal of Clinical Psychiatry ▶ **Organizations:** Tennessee Nurses Association; American Psychiatric Nurses Association (National Advanced Practice Council) ▶ **Community Service:** • Honorary Deputy Sheriff, Shelby County Sheriff’s Department for mental health specialist role in the Critical Incident Stress Debriefing Team • Judge, Poster contest for Memphis Mental Health Institute

**Veronica F. Engle, PhD, RN, GNP-BC, AHN-BC, LADS, FGSA, FAAN**

(Professor) ▶ **Certifications:** Gerontological Nursing Practitioner; Advanced Holistic Nurse; End-of-Life Nursing Education Consortium Trainer; Tai Chi for Arthritis Instructor; Tai Chi for Back Pain Instructor; Reiki Master Practitioner and Teacher; Chi Gong Instructor ▶ **Presentations:** 8 Local Invited; 1 Regional Refereed; 6 National Refereed ▶ **Practice:** UT HELP Center ▶ **Publications:** The
Gerontologist (4 articles) ∆ Organizations: Tennessee Nurses Association; American Academy of Nursing; American Holistic Nurses Association; American Nurses Association; American Geriatrics Society; Gerontological Society of America; Sigma Theta Tau International, Beta Theta Chapter-at-Large ∆ Consultations: Consultant on sitting Tai Chi for frail older adults for Dr. Paul Lam, Tai Chi for Health International, Australia ∆ Community Service: • Caring for the caregiver – Keynote presentation at the Jewish Family Services Senior Resources Fair • Tai Chi for health and infertility – Invited speaker for Baptist Women’s Hospital Infertility Forum for Couples • Medical volunteer for St. Jude Marathon ∆ Special Appointments or Roles: Professional Advisor, Out On A Limb – Limb Loss Support Group

N. Alise Farrell, MSN, CPN, RN ----------
(Instructor) ∆ Certifications: Certified Pediatric Nurse; CPR/CPR Instructor ∆ Community Service: • Multicultural Health Fair • School Health Fair – Highland Street Church of Christ • Faculty Advisor Student Nursing Association • Catholic Youth Retreat – First aid volunteer

Kathy Gaffney, RN, CPNP, MSN, CS -----
(Instructor) ∆ Practice: GTBHC, Trenton, N.J. ∆ Organizations: • NAPNAP, (National organization) • Sigma Theta Tau, (International organization) ∆ Consultations: • In-service, Psychopharmacology in pediatric psychiatry at GTBHC (yearly presentation to all staff/therapists) • Consultant to GTBHC School-Based Services: Role to evaluate children in their therapy program to assess for further services (CST, psychiatric evaluations developmental evaluations, medication evaluation) ∆ Community Service: • Chairperson – Grants committee of Community Service Fund of Princeton University • Parent Liaison – Foundation for FIRST Ichthyosis Foundation resource and support person for families of children with KID syndrome (Keratitis, Ichthyosis and Deafness syndrome) • Parent Liaison – NFED, National Foundation for Ectodermal Dysplasias resource and support person for families of children with KID syndrome • Alumni Resource List for University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing

J. Carolyn Graff, PhD, RN, FAAIDD ------
(Associate Professor) ∆ Presentations: 5 Local Invited; 1 Local Refereed; 2 Regional Refereed; 1 National Invited; 7 National Refereed; 3 International Refereed ∆ Publications: International Review of Research in Mental Retardation; Promoting Health from Preconception through Maturity: A Unique Nursing Role; Uncommon Sibling; Medical Surgical Nursing; International Journal of Nursing in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities; Journal of Pediatric Nursing; CIN: Computers, Informatics, Nursing; Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities; Nurse Educator ∆ Organizations: Southern Nurses Research Society; American Nurses Association; American Public Health Association; Developmental Disabilities Nurses Association; National Sibling Leadership Network, The University of Illinois, Chicago, Rehabilitation Research and Training Center on Aging with Developmental Disabilities; Society of Pediatric Nurses; American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AAIDD) (Awards and Fellowship Committee, Chair; Action Group on Environmental Disasters; Ad Hoc Committee on Fellow Criteria, Member; Environmental Health Initiative’s Education, Outreach and Training Workgroup; Health and Wellness Action Group; Nursing Interests Action Group); International Society of Nurses in Genetics; Sigma Theta Tau International ∆ Consultations: Education/Teaching: • University of Tennessee, Knoxville, College of Nursing • Boling Center for Developmental Disabilities – Distance Learning Workshop on Obesity Prevention • Community Services Network (CSN) and West Tennessee Developmental Disabilities Nurses Network • American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities • Center for Child Health and Development, University of Kansas Medical Center, Kansas University Center of Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD) • Boling Center for Developmental Disabilities and Harwood Center • Association of University Centers of Excellence in Developmental Disabilities • Developmental Disabilities Nurses Association (DDNA) and International Journal of Nursing in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IJNIDD) – Consulted with executive director of DDNA and editor of IJNIDD to gain indexing rights for IJNIDD in EBSCO, CINAHL and SCOPUS [November] Research: • Community Service: • Sibshop (sponsored by the Boling Center for Developmental Disabilities and Harwood Center and held at Hope Presbyterian Church) • Honors: Corrine Barnes Research Grant Award, Society of Pediatric Nurses • Special Appointments or Roles: • The Sibling Support Project, Kindering Center of Seattle, Advisory Board, Member • Vanderbilt University, Peabody College, Department of Special Education, National Sibling Research Consortium, Member • Tennessee Division of Mental Retardation Behavior Services, West Tennessee Regional Office of Mental Retardation, Human Rights Committee, Member • Tennessee Division of Mental Retardation, West Tennessee Regional Office on Mental
Margaret (Peg) Thorman Hartig, PhD, FNP-BC  

(Professor & Family Nurse Practitioner Option Coordinator)  ❖ Certifications: American National Credentialing Center – Family NP ❖ Presentations: 1 National Refereed ❖ Practice: Bobbitt Health Station, Memphis, Tenn. ❖ Publications: 34th Annual Meeting, National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties ❖ Organizations: Healthy Memphis Common Table (Chair – Provider Task Force, Community Advisory Committee); UTHSC Faculty Senate (President); TN Primary Care Association (SEARCH Advisory Committee); Tennessee Nurses Association (APN Interest Group); Institute for Nursing Centers (Products Task Force); National Organization of NP Faculties (2 committees); National Health Service Corps (Faculty Ambassador) ❖ Consultations: DNP Program Reviewer – PA Department of Education, Division of Program Services – Reviewed application for DNP program initiation at Carlow University ❖ Community Service: • Community Health Fair planning committee and health care provider • Volunteer victim at Memphis International Airport Triennial Disaster Drill & UTHSC liaison for volunteer sign-up • Caritas Village Diabetes Awareness Evening • Focus Group member for Healthy Memphis Common Table CMS grant application ❖ Special Appointments or Roles: • Member, Credentialing Committee, Memphis Managed Care Corp dba TLC • Member, Health Care Provider Advisory Committee for XL Health / Tennessee – Medicare Diabetes Disease Management Demonstration Project • Member, Planning Committee, Community Health Fairs

Margaret B. Harvey, PhD, ACNP-BC  

(Executive Professor) ❖ Certifications: American Nurse Credentialing Center/Acute Care Nurse Practitioner ❖ Presentations: 1 Regional Invited; 1 National Refereed ❖ Practice: Arrhythmia Consultants PC, Memphis ❖ Organizations: Greater Memphis Area of Advanced Practice Nurses; Tennessee Nurses Association; Southern Nurses Research Society (Abstract Reviewer); American Heart Association; American Nurses Association; Heart Rhythm Society; Council on Cardiovascular Nursing; Council on Clinical Cardiology; Sigma Theta Tau Beta Theta Chapter-at-Large (Vice President Local Chapter) ❖ Community Service: • Member, Memphis and Shelby County Public Health Reserve Corps/Medical Reserve Corps • Serve on various UTHSC CON committees • Presentation, “Cardiac Research” to the Mississippi Delta Training Group ❖ Honors: • UTHSC CON Faculty Fellowship Award • TCN Excellence in Education Speaker ❖ Special Appointments or Roles: Supervisor for staff level Research Nurse

Donna K. Hathaway, PhD, FAAN

(Dean & Professor) ❖ Presentations: 4 Regional Invited ❖ Publications: Health Care Quarterly Journal; Progress in Transplantation ❖ Organizations: Beta Theta Chapter-at-Large, Sigma Theta Tau International; Southern Nursing Research Society; Southern Regional Education Board; American Association of Colleges of Nursing (Board of Directors, Program Committee, Chair, TN Legislative Liaison, DNP Essentials Task Force, Chair); American Nurses Association; American Academy of Nurses; Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science (Board Member); National Institutes of Health – National Nursing Research Roundtable; North American Transplant Coordinators Organization; Robert Wood Johnson Executive Nurse Leadership Association; State of the Science Program Committee; International Transplant Nurses Society ❖ Consultations: – Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Fla. – University of Massachusetts, College of Nursing & Health Sciences, Boston, Mass. – Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, School of Nursing – College of Health Professions, Governors State University, Chicago, Ill. – Florida State University, College of Nursing, Tallahassee, Fla. ❖ Community Service: Healthy Memphis Partners ❖ Honors: Patron Award, International Association of Forensic Nurses

Susan R. Jacob, PhD, RN

(Executive Associate Dean & Professor) ❖ Publications: Contemporary Nursing: Issues, Trends, and Management, 4th Edition; Nursing Perspectives; CIN: Computers, Informatics, Nursing; Journal of Professional Nursing; Progress in Transplantation; The Tennessee Nurse ❖ Organizations: Beta Theta Chapter-at-Large-STT (Chair, Program Committee); Nursing Institute of the Midsouth; Nu Lambda Chapter – STT; Tennessee Nurses Association District 1; American Nurses Association; Tennessee Center for Nursing (Board of Directors); Tennessee Deans and Directors; Tennessee Nurses Association (Secretary); Parish Nurse Network; Southern Nursing Research Society; Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (Evaluator); Southern Region Coalition; American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) Organizational Leadership Network; Institute of Healthcare Improvement (IHI) Collaborative; American Nurses Credentialing Center – Nurse Planner/CEU Activities; Comfort Care Coalition; Sigma
Theta Tau International (Writing Mentor); Runyor Committee (Chair); Cashdollar Committee ❖ Community Service: • Chair, Professional Advisory Committee, Methodist Home Care and Hospice • Advisory Board, Tennessee Emotional Fitness Centers • Southwest Tennessee Community College Advisory Board • St. Jude International Outreach Advisory Board • Facilitator of Grief Groups – Central Church • Chair, Samaritan Circle • Hospice Volunteer • Multinational Health Fair • Inner City Health Fair
❖ Honors: 2007 Memphis Business Journal Health Care Hero Finalist

Irma L. Jordan, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC --- (Instructor) ❖ Certifications: American Nurse Credentialing Center (FNP) ❖ Presentations: 1 Regional Refereed ❖ Practice: Professional Care Services, Covington, Tenn.
❖ Community Service: Community Health Fairs ❖ Organizations: GMAAHPN; Tennessee Nurses Association; American Nurses Association; NONPF (Psych Sig group)
❖ Special Appointments or Roles: Member, Planning Committee, Community Health Fairs

Lynn Kirkland, DNSc, WHNP, CNM ----- (Assistant Professor) ❖ Certifications: National Certification Corporation; American Midwifery Certification Board ❖ Practice: Memphis Obstetrics and Gynecological Association, PC. ❖ Organizations: Greater Memphis Area Advanced Practice Nurses; American Academy of Nurse Practitioners; American College of Nurse-Midwives; Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society ❖ Consultations: Warner Chilcott Lecture Series October 2007 “Benefits of Shortening the Pill-Free Interval” ❖ Community Service: • Heart Walk 2008 • Camp Celebration – children and adults with special needs, Down’s Syndrome

Wendy M. Likes, DNSc, APRN-BC ------- (Assistant Professor) ❖ Certifications: American Nurse Credentialing Center – FNP ❖ Practice: UTMG, Memphis ❖ Organizations: American Nurses Association; American Society of Colposcopy and Cervical pathology (Advanced Practice Committee, faculty for LEEP course); International Society for the Study of Women’s Sexual Health • Fellow, International Society for the Study of Vulvovaginal Disease; Sigma Theta Tau International – Beta Theta Chapter (Vice President) ❖ Special Appointments or Roles: • Appointed Committee Member – Infertility Late Effects Committee, Children’s Oncology Group • External Advisory Board – UTHSC College of Allied Health Sciences

Carol A. Lockhart, PhD, RN, FAAN ------ (Professor) ❖ Presentations: 1 Local Invited ❖ Organizations: Arizona Public Health Association; American Nurses Association; Fellow, American Academy of Nursing; Sigma Theta Tau International ❖ Consultations: • St. Luke’s Health Initiatives – Consultation to assist in the policy analysis/preparation of a report on housing for people with serious mental illness in Maricopa County, Ariz. • St. Luke’s Health Initiatives – Consultation to analyze and prepare a report on the issues and impact of increasing numbers of older Arizonans on individuals, families and the state

Sandra Madubuo, MSN, APRN ----- (Instructor) ❖ Certifications: NCC, EFM Certification (NCC = The National Certification Corporation, EFM = Electronic Fetal Monitoring); AWHONN Fetal Monitoring; NALS; BLS ❖ Organizations: Sigma Theta Tau International (Faculty Counselor) ❖ Community Service: Health Fair

Kathleen T. McCoy, DNSc, APN, PMH-NP/CS-BC FNP-BC ----------------------- (Assistant Professor) ❖ Certifications: American Nurses Credentialing Center: Clinical Nurse Specialist in Adult Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing; Family Nurse Practitioner; Family Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner ❖ Presentations: 1 Local Invited; 1 Regional Invited; 1 National Refereed; 1 International Refereed ❖ Publications: Behavioral Health; Nursing Homes/Long-Term Care Living ❖ Consultations: • Content Expert Panel – ANCC Psychiatric Mental Health NP Certification Exam • ANCC Psychiatric Mental Health NP Role Delineation Meeting

Leslie M. McKeon, PhD, RN, CNAA BC - (Assistant Professor) ❖ Certifications: American Association of College of Nurses CNL; American Association of College of Nurses Nurse Administrator Advanced; Six Sigma Blackbelt ❖ Presentations: 3 National Invited; 3 National Refereed ❖ Publications: Journal of Pediatric Oncology Nursing ❖ Organizations: Tennessee Nurses Association; Southern Nurses Research Society; Academy of Healthcare Improvement; American Nurses Association; Council of Graduate Education for Administration in Nursing; IHI Health Professions Education Collaborative; Society for Simulation in Healthcare; Sigma Theta Tau International, Beta Theta Chapter ❖ Community Service: City Slickers Endurance Race ❖ Special
Appointments or Roles:  IHI Healthcare Professions Education Collaborative National Forum Student Scholarship Committee

Sheila Melander, DSN, ACNP, FCCM ----- (Professor)  † Certifications: American College of Cardiovascular Nurses Acute Care Nurse Practitioner † Presentations: 2 National Invited † Practice: Kentuckiana Cardiovascular, Owensboro, Ky. † Publications: Journal of the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (2 articles) † Organizations: AACN (Advanced Practice Work Group); NONPF (Co-Chair National Conference Planning Committee); Society of Critical Care Medicine (Chair Membership Acute Care Advanced Practice Group) † Community Service: Free Clinic Board Member, Daviess County Kentucky † Honors: • Fellow Society of Critical Care Medicine • Fellow American Academy of Nurse Practitioners

Tommie L. Norris, DNS, RN ----------- (Associate Professor, PEP Program Director) † Presentations: 4 Local Invited; 1 Local Refereed; 3 National Refereed † Publications: Contemporary Nursing: Issues, Trends, and Management, 4th ed. (3 publications); Journal of Professional Nursing; The Tennessee Nurse † Organizations: Tennessee Deans and Directors; Tennessee Nurses Association; American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) Organizational Leadership Network; American Nurses Association; Sigma Theta Tau International † Community Service: 54th Annual Memphis Shelby County Science and Engineering Science Fair Judge † Honors: • Maurice Elliott Leadership Institute Fellowship November 2007

Karen Koozer Olson, RN, FNP, PhD, FAANP --------------------------------------- (Professor) † Certifications: Family Nurse Practitioner † Presentations: 1 Regional Refereed; 2 National Refereed; 1 International Refereed † Organizations: GMAPN; Texas Nurse Practitioners (BOD, Regional Representative); AANP; ACNP; NONPF † Honors: • Fellow American Academy of Nurse Practitioners • CONHS Nominee for TAM University Distinguished Professor 2006-07

Jill S. Detty Oswaks, CRNA, DNSc ----- (Assistant Professor and Director of Nurse Anesthesia Option) † Certifications: Council on Recertification of Nurse Anesthetists † Presentations: 1 National Invited; 1 National Refereed † Organizations: TANA (Educational Committee); Tennessee Nurses Association; Virginia Association of Nurse Anesthetists; AANA (Distance Ed Task Force; On-site Reviewer); American Nurses Association; American Association for the History of Nursing; Society for Simulation in Healthcare; Sigma Theta Tau International – Beta Theta Chapter-at-Large; Sigma Theta Tau International – Epsilon Chi Chapter † Community Service: • Wounded Warriors Fund Raising Project • Memphis Triennial Emergency Drill

Julie N. Overbey, MSN, RN -------------- (Instructor) † Organizations: • American Association of Critical Care Nurses • Sigma Theta Tau International

Susan B. Patton, DNSc, PNP-BC -------- (Assistant Professor) † Certifications: Pediatric Nurse Practitioner ANCC; Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Adult and Adolescent FNCB; Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Pediatrics FNCB † Presentations: 3 Local Invited; 5 Regional Invited; 1 National Refereed; 2 International Refereed † Practice: East Arkansas Children’s Clinic, Forrest City, Ark. † Publications: Journal of the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners; Elder and Vulnerable Person Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation Curriculum for Advanced Practice Nurses † Organizations: Arkansas Nurses Association (Chair, Regulation 30 Task Force); National Academies of Practice; International Association of Forensic Nurses (Forensic Nurse Certification Board, Chair, Advanced Practice Credentialing, Education Committee); Sigma Theta Tau International † Consultations: Education/Teaching: • Tennessee Bureau of Investigation Practice/Professional Service • Kids for the Future Developmental Preschool † Community Service: Committee to develop UTHSC role at the Regional Forensic Center † Honors: • UTHSC Excellence in Teaching • Arkansas Foundation for Medical Care Innovator’s Award

Cynthia K. Russell, PhD, RN ----------- (Professor) † Presentations: 1 Local Invited; 2 Regional Invited; 5 Regional Refereed; 4 National Refereed; 3 International Refereed † Publications: Evidence-based Nursing; Nurse Educator; Journal of Professional Nursing; CIN: Computers Informatics Nursing; Advances in Healthcare Management, Special Edition: Patient Safety and Healthcare Management; American Journal of Obstetrics & Gynecology † Organizations: Tennessee Nurses Association; Southern Nursing Research Society (Vice President); American Nurses Association; United States Distance
Zoila Vichot Sánchez, PhD, RN (Assistant Professor)  ❖ Presentations: 1 Regional Invited; 3 National Invited  ❖ Publications: Progress in Transplantation  ❖ Organizations: Tennessee Nurses Association (President – District 6); Southern Nursing Research Society; American Nurses Association; National Association of Hispanic Nurses; North American Association for the Study of Obesity; Nu Lambda Chapter-Sigma Theta Tau International (Vice President)  ❖ Consultations: Tennessee Center for Nursing, Research Committee – In the process of investigating the feasibility of submitting a grant to the Robert Wood Foundations on increasing enrollment of minority students into nursing  ❖ Director of TN Diabetes Advisory Committee – Identify and evaluate areas of disparity within the state of Tennessee and provide strategies and recommendations that will prevent and or reduce the burden of diabetes throughout the state. Also, the coordinator is responsible for contacting other regional coalition members to arrange meetings and make other arrangements of speakers for various engagements  ❖ Community Service: Civil Air Patrol member 1st Lieutenant – Health Advisor – Gibson County – lead health related discussions with cadets  ❖ Sacred Heart Catholic Church activities with Hispanic congregation  ❖ Health screening for rural Hispanic – Crockett County  ❖ Honors: Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration (HRS Minority Faculty Fellowship)  ❖ Special Appointments or Roles: Diabetes Advisory Committee for the State of Tennessee serves as director  ❖ Board of Directors, Tennessee Center for Nursing (TCN) and serves on the Research Committee of the TCN  ❖ Network of Minority Research Investigators (NMRI) established by the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK)  ❖ National Partnership for Action (NPA) an initiative of National Office of Minority of Health to address health disparities

Patricia M. Speck, DNSc, FNP-BC, FAAN, FAANP, DF-IAFN, SANE-A, SANE-P  ❖ Certifications: ANCC – FNP; IAFN – SANE-A; IAFN – SANE-P  ❖ Presentations: 1 Local Invited; 1 Local Refereed; 8 Regional Invited; 2 National Invited; 4 National Refereed  ❖ Practice: Health Evaluation and Lifestyle Promotion (HELP) Clinic  ❖ Publications: Medical Response to Adult Sexual Assault (2 publications); Nursing Clinics of North America; Forensic Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice; Dartmouth Interactive Media: Sexual Assault: Forensic and Clinical Management  ❖ Organizations: Tennessee Nurses Association; American Academy of Nursing (Expert Panel on Violence & Calling the Circle Project); American Public Health Association; International Association of Forensic Nurses (Content Expert – SAFEta Grant, Research Committee & Government Affairs Committee); Sigma Theta Tau Beta Theta Chapter-at-Large  ❖ Consultations: Institute of Evidence Based and Best Practices (Restorative Justice, Offender Treatment, Victim Services – Former Advocacy Center for Training & Treatment), Miami, Fla.  ❖ National Sexual Violence Resource Center (National SANE Coordinator Council)  ❖ SANE/SART.com, official technical assistance Web site of Sexual Assault Resource Service, Minneapolis, Minn. (expert advisor)  ❖ National Institute of Justice (Technical Working Group)  ❖ National Institute of Justice Sexual Violence Research Workshop (expert advisor, invited speaker)  ❖ Community Service: Exchange Club Family Center (member, Board of Directors)  ❖ Memphis Exchange Club (president)  ❖ Shelby County Drug Court Support Foundation (member and secretary)  ❖ Arkwings Foundation  ❖ Memphis/Shelby County Domestic Violence Council (member and chair, Development Committee)  ❖ United Way of Greater Memphis (Member Allocations Committee)  ❖ Honors: Fellow – American Academy of Forensic Sciences

Cheryl Cummings Stegbauer, PhD, APN, FNP-BC  ❖ Certifications: American Nurses Credentialing ANCC  ❖ Presentations: 1 Local Invited  ❖ Publications: Teaching Nursing: Developing a Student-centered Learning Environment; Nurse Educator; The Journal of Reproductive Medicine  ❖ Organizations: Tennessee Nurses Association; American Academy of Nurse Practitioners; American Nurses Association; Sigma Theta Tau  ❖ Consultations: Consultation for Higher Education Commission for external state approval of new DNP programs  ❖ Community Service:
Carole Thompson, PhD, CCRN, ACNP, FNP, FCCM, FAANP

(Professor & Acute Care Option Coordinator) 
**Certifications:** Acute Care Nurse Practitioner; Family Nurse Practitioner; Critical Care Registered Nurse; Basic Life Support; Advanced Cardiac Life Support; Fundamental Critical Care Support; Advanced Pediatric Life Support  
**Presentations:** 4 Local Invited; 2 Regional Refereed  
**Practice:** Methodist University Emergency Department, Memphis, Tenn.  
**Organizations:** American Association of Critical Care Nurses; American Association of Nurse Practitioners; American Nurses Association; American Thoracic Society (Conference Abstract Reviewer); National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculty; Sigma Theta Tau International; Sigma Xi; Society of Critical Care Medicine (Council Member); Society of Medical Simulation  
**Special Appointments or Roles:** Tennessee Board of Nursing

Peggy Ingram Veeser, EdD, APRN, BC, FAANP

(Professor & Director, University Health Services)  
**Certifications:** FNP  
**Presentations:** 3 National Refereed  
**Practice:** University Health Services, UTHSC  
**Publications:** Journal of American College Health  
**Organizations:** Children’s Foundation of Memphis (Board of Directors); Harbor of Health (Advisory Board)  
**Special Appointments or Roles:** Consultant – American College Health Consultation Service

Sherry Webb, DNSc, RN, CNL, CNA-BC

(Assistant Professor)  
**Certifications:** CNL; CNA-BC  
**Presentations:** 2 Local Invited; 1 International Refereed  
**Organizations:** Tennessee Nurses Association; American Nurses Association; Sigma Theta Tau International  
**Community Service:** Highland Church of Christ Health Fair

Mona Newsome Wicks, PhD, RN

(Professor & Associate Dean of Research)  
**Presentations:** 2 Local Invited; 1 Regional Invited; 2 Regional Refereed; 4 National Refereed  
**Publications:** Heart and Lung: The Journal of Acute and Critical Care; Journal of Midwifery & Women’s Health; Progress in Transplantation; Biological Research for Nursing; Archives of Psychiatric Nursing; Clinical Nursing Research; Nephrology Nursing; Nursing Outlook; Progress in Transplantation; Editorial for the Memphis Commercial Appeal  
**Organizations:** Greater Memphis Area Chapter of the American Association of Critical Care Nurses; Tennessee Nurses Association; Southern Nursing Research Society; American Nurses Association; Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science; Sigma Xi; University of Memphis School of Nursing Alumni Board; Sigma Theta Tau International  
**Consultations:** Education/Teaching: Cultural diversity expert for Cunningham’s HRSA grant titled “Comprehensive Advanced Education Psych Nursing Program”  
**Other:** External Reviewer – The Johns Hopkins School of Nursing Tenure and Promotions Committee  
**Community Service:** Recording Secretary, Mustard Seed Inc. Board of Directors; Research Mentor, Memphis Achievers  
**Honors:** Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Executive Nurse Leader Fellow; Nominee, Student Government Association Excellence in Teaching Award  
**Special Appointments or Roles:** Regional Advisory Committee, Memphis Community Networks Program Advisory Board, Meharry Medical College Community Health Centers Community Networks Program

Rebecca P. Winsett, PhD

(Associate Professor)  
**Presentations:** 1 Local Invited; 3 Local Refereed; 1 International Invited; 6 International Refereed  
**Publications:** Social Work in Health Care; Nephrology Nursing Journal; Progress in Transplantation (2 articles); Evidence-Based Nursing; American Nephrology Nurses Association: A Guide to Professional Development; Core Curriculum for Certified Clinical Transplant Nurses (CCTN) Examination.  
**Organizations:** Indiana Organization for Nurse Executives; Sigma Theta Tau Beta Theta Chapter; Sigma Theta Tau Omicron Psi Chapter; American Telemedicine Association (Telenursing and Home Monitoring Special Interest Groups); International Transplant Nurses Society (Research Committee/Grant Reviewer); NATCO- for Transplant Professionals (Research Committee/Abstract Reviewer)
Government and Private Funding for Research and Education

(Note: These are in alphabetical order by title of grant.)

**Cardiac Risk Profile of Obese African-American Adolescents**
NINR & GCRC (separate grants)
Principal Investigator: Patricia Cowan
Co-Investigators: Pedro Velásquez, Grant Somes, George Burghen

**Clinical Translational Science Application**
NIH
Principal Investigator: Jim Dale
Co-Investigator: Ann Cashion

**Comparison of Exercise Responses in Four ESRD Treatments. Role: Consultant for Heart Rate Variability Interpretation**
NIH/NINR
Principal Investigator: Patricia Painter
Co-Investigator: Ann Cashion

**Conditions Affecting Early Neurocognitive Development and Learning in Early Childhood (CANDLE)**
Urban Child Institute
Principal Investigator: Owen Phillips
Co-Investigators: Carolyn Graff, Grant Somes

**Demographic Determinants of ICD Benefit in Patients with Reduced Ejection Fraction and Heart Failure**
CTSI K-12 Training grant
Principal Investigator: Carrie Harvey

**Effect of a Behavioral Weight Loss Intervention Plus Food Replacement with Dairy or Lean Meat on Incretins, Insulin Resistance, and Weight Loss in Obese Adolescents**
National Dairy Council & General Clinical Research Center (GCRC) (separate grants)
Principal Investigator: Frances Tylavsky
Co-Investigators: M. Coday, Pedro Velasquez-Meyer, Patricia Cowan, Claudia Neira

**Efficacy of a Sitting Tai Chi Program for Assisted Living Residents**
The H. W. Durham Foundation
Principal Investigator: L. W. Faulkner
Co-Investigator: Veronica Engle

**Exploring Strategies to Improve the Health of Custodial Grandparents**
H. W. Durham Foundation
Principal Investigator: Carolyn Graff
Co-Investigators: Belinda Hardy, Frederick Palmer, Juanita Williams

**Feasibility Study to Evaluate the Use of Liquid-based Cytology with HPV Testing for Post-Treatment Surveillance of Patients with Vulvar Intraepithelial Neoplasia**
GCRC & UTHSC College of Allied Health Sciences (separate grants)
Principal Investigators: Wendy Likes & Nadeem Zafar
Co-Investigators: Barbara Bernstein, Leonard Bloom

**Genetics, Environment and Weight Gain Post-transplant**
NIH/NINR
Principal Investigator: Ann Cashion
Co-Investigators: James Eason, Ramin Homayouni, Rongling Li, Y Cui, Omaima Sabek, Carolyn Driscoll, Patricia Cowan

**Healthy Feet for Persons with Diabetes: A Community Coalition**
CIGNA-Methodist Healthcare Foundation
Principal Investigators: Veronica Engle
Co-Investigators: Emily Fox-Hill

**Improving Health Care Delivery for Hispanics with Diabetes in Tennessee**
State of Tennessee Center for Diabetes Prevention and Health Improvement
Principal Investigator: Zoila Sanchez
Co-Investigator: Tommie Norris

**Increasing Teaching Capacity Through the Use of Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs)**
The Foundation of the National Student Nurses Association
Principal Investigator: Teresa Britt
Co-Investigators: Tommie Norris & Alise Farrell
**INSIGHT for Black Female Caregivers**
National Institutes of Health / National Institute of Nursing Research
Principal Investigator: Mona Wicks
Co-Investigators: Sarah Mynatt, Sergio Acchiardo, Donna Hathaway

**Nurse Practitioner Use of Telehealth for Transplant Care**
National Institute of Nursing Research
Principal Investigator: Rebecca Winsett
Co-Investigators: Cyril Chang, Donna Hathaway, Grant Somes

**Parents’ Views of Their Communication with Siblings of Children with Sickle Cell Disease**
Society of Pediatric Nurses
Principal Investigator: Carolyn Graff
Co-Investigators: Jane Hankins; Ruth Roberts; Heather Hall

**Practice-Based Learning and Improvement to Develop Quality and Safety Competencies among Pre-Licensure Nursing Students**
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) - Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN)
Principal Investigator: Leslie McKeon
Co-Investigator: Tommie Norris

**Predictors of Sexual Function and Quality of Life Following Vulvar Excision**
National Institutes of Health / National Institute of Nursing Research
Principal Investigator: Wendy Likes
Co-Investigators: Donna Hathaway, Barbara Reed, Cynthia Russell, Jim Wan

**Proprietary Information**
Private Industry
Principal Investigator: Pédro Velásquez
Co-Investigators: Patricia Cowan, Stacy Starks

**Race, Obesity and Enteroinsular Axis in Adolescents**
NIH-NCRR K23
Principal Investigator: Pédro Velásquez
Co-Investigators: Bruce Alpert (mentor), George Burghen (mentor), Patricia Cowan (collaborating investigator), Samuel Dagogo-Jack (mentor), Donna Hathaway (mentor), Sylvia Perez (collaborating investigator), Frances Tylavsky (mentor)

**Shelby County Drug Court: Enhanced Services**
State of Tennessee, Office of Justice Programs
Principal Investigator: Patricia Speck

**Shelby County Relative Caregiver Program**
State of Tennessee, Department of Children’s Services
Principal Investigator: Carolyn Graff
Co-Investigators: Juanita Williams, Frederick Palmer

**Faculty Research Fellowships:**
**Establishing Simulation Scenario Validity**
UTHSC CON Faculty Fellowship
Principal Investigator: Leslie McKeon
Co-Investigators: Patricia Cunningham, Jill Oswaks

**Relationship Between ICD Benefit and T Wave Alternans: A Pilot Study**
UTHSC CON Faculty Fellowship Award / NIH / General Clinical Research Center Grant MO1-RR00211
Principal Investigator: Margaret Harvey
Co-Investigators: James Porterfield, Linda Porterfield

**Using Focus Groups to Improve Health Care Delivery for Hispanic Patients in Tennessee**
UTHSC CON Faculty Fellowship
Co-Investigator: Tommie Norris, Zoila Sanchez

**HRSA Grants:**
**Advanced Education Nursing Program Grant for Forensic Nursing Continuation**
Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
Principal Investigator: Susan Patton

**Comprehensive Advanced Education Psych Nursing Grant**
Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
Principal Investigators: Sarah Mynatt, Patricia Cunningham

**Expansion of Doctoral Program in Public Health Nursing – Title VIII, Advanced Education Nursing Program**
Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
Co-Investigators: R. Craig Stotts, Patricia Speck
**INDIVIDUALIZED INFORMATION LITERACY SKILLS IMPROVEMENT**
Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
Principal Investigator: **Cynthia Russell**
Co-Investigators: Richard Nollan, Lin Wu, Pam Connor, **Stacy Clayton, Heather Carter-Templeton**

**MINORITY FACULTY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**
Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
Principal Investigator: **Susan Jacob**

**Manuscript and Chapter Reviewers**

**Teresa Britt**
Manuscript Reviewer: *Evidence-Based Nursing*

**Jacqueline Burchum**
Manuscript Reviewer: *Journal of Transcultural Nursing; JOLT (Journal of Online Learning and Teaching)*

**Michael Carter**
Manuscript Reviewer: *Annals of Family Medicine; Journal of Professional Nursing; McMaster Online Rating of Evidence; Nursing Science Quarterly; Scandinavian Journal of Caring Sciences*

**Ann Cashion**
Manuscript Reviewer: *AACN Clinical Issues: Adv. Practice in Acute and Critical Care Journal; American Journal of Nursing; Biological Research for Nursing; Kidney International*

**Patricia Cowan**
Manuscript Reviewer: *Biological Nursing; Ignatavicius & Workman's Medical-Surgical Nursing: Critical Thinking for Collaborative Care (6th edition); Nephrology Nursing Journal; Research in Nursing and Health*

**Patricia Cunningham**
Manuscript Reviewer: *Journal of the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners*

**Veronica Engle**
Manuscript Reviewer: *Advances in Nursing Science; Journal of the American Geriatrics Society; Journals of Gerontology: Social Sciences; Journal of Health Management; Journal of Palliative Care; Nursing Research; Research in Nursing and Health; The Gerontologist*

**Carolyn Graff**
Manuscript Reviewer: *Journal of Pediatric Nursing*

**Carrie Harvey**
Manuscript Reviewer: *Biological Research in Nursing; Health Information Research Unit at McMaster University: Evidence-Based Nursing; Heart and Lung: The Journal of Acute and Critical Care*

**Donna Hathaway**
Manuscript Reviewer: *Journal of Nursing Education; Journal of Professional Nursing; Nephrology Nursing Journal; Nursing Research; Progress in Transplantation*

**Susan Jacob**
Manuscript Reviewer: *Evidence-Based Nursing; Journal of Cultural Diversity; Journal of Health Behavior*

**Lynn Kirkland**
Chapter Reviewer: *Pharmacotherapy Essentials: A Pathophysiological Approach 6th Ed: Hormone Replacement Therapy and Menstruation-Related Disorder*

**Wendy Likes**
Manuscript Reviewer: *Obstetrics and Gynecology*

**Tommie Norris**
Manuscript Reviewer: *Evidence-Based Nursing*

**Cynthia Russell**
Manuscript Reviewer: *Evidence-Based Nursing; Journal of Nursing Education; Journal of Transcultural Nursing; Southern Online Journal of Nursing Research*

**Carol Thompson**
Manuscript Reviewer: *AACN Advanced Critical Care; American Academy of Nurse Practitioners; American Journal of Critical Care; Heart and Lung*

**Mona Wicks**
Manuscript Reviewer: *Nephrology Nursing Journal; Southern Online Journal of Nursing Research*

**Rebecca Winsett**
Manuscript Reviewer: *American Journal of Transplantation; Evidence-Based Nursing; Research in Nursing and Health (RINAH)*
Research Review Panels List

Ann Cashion
American Nephrology Nurses Association; International Society of Nurses in Genetics; International Transplant Nurses Society

Veronica Engle
Gerontological Society of America

Carolyn Graff
HRSA Maternal & Child Health Bureau (MCHB) Leadership Education in MCH Nursing Program; Southern Nursing Research Society; Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science; American Nurse Today; The International Journal of Research and Practice

Carrie Harvey
American Nurse Foundation Research Grants Program; Annual Conference Southern Nursing Research Society; Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science

Donna Hathaway
National Institutes of Health Federal Advisory Committee
NIH/NSAA Peer Review Panel

Wendy Likes
Southern Nursing Research Society

Leslie McKeon
Academy for Healthcare Improvement

Cynthia Russell
Southern Nursing Research Society

Mona Wicks
Southern Nursing Research Society; American Nurses Foundation; College of Allied Health Sciences; Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science; DNP LLC

Rebecca Winsett
International Transplant Nurses Society

Journal Editorial Boards & Editor Roles

Teresa Britt
Journal for Clinical Simulation and Learning (Editorial Board)

Michael Carter
Scandinavian Journal of Caring Sciences (Editorial Board & Reviewer)

Ann Cashion
Biological Research for Nursing (Editorial Board & Reviewer)

Veronica Engle
Journal of the American Geriatrics Society (Editor & Reviewer); Journal of Health Management (Editor & Reviewer)

Carolyn Graff
International Journal of Nursing in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (Editorial Board)

Donna Hathaway
Progress in Transplantation (Editorial Board & Reviewer)

Cynthia Russell
Academic Exchange Quarterly (Editorial Board); Evidence-Based Nursing (Editorial Board)

Rebecca Winsett
Progress in Transplantation (Editorial Board)
2007-2008 Faculty Publications

Articles:


Note: Total published articles = 50, published book chapters = 18, other publications = 9, and total publications of all types = 77.


**Books and Chapters:**


Conference Proceedings CD:

Course Curriculum:

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