

Indiana University School of Nursing
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Performance Highlights: 2013-2014

The Success of our Students

- In fall 2013, two Doctor of Nursing Practice students participated in research and scholarship at the JFK Medical Center in Monrovia, Liberia. Their focus was maternal and child health. Liberia continues to have some of the highest global incidences of mortality in these two areas. In December, two nurses from Liberia completed two years of coursework and were awarded the MSN degree in Nursing Education.
- Indiana University School of Nursing had five students selected as IUPUI's Top 100 Students. These students are: Nicole Blair, Lindsey Keener, Kemi Olofinkua, Kyndra Trammel and Tanya Triggol. http://alumni.iupui.edu/top100_2014names.html
- The Office of Diversity and Enrichment (ODE) has secured funding (Fall, 2013) to promote underrepresented nursing students. The Indiana University School of Nursing's ODE received \$50,000 from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to support students in the school's Accelerated BSN program who are traditionally underrepresented in the field of nursing and are pursuing second careers in the field. New Careers in Nursing (NCIN) is a program of Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) and the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN). Five IUSON students each were awarded a \$10,000 NCIN scholarship. In addition to a \$10,000 scholarship, NCIN scholars receive other support to help them meet the demands of an accelerated degree program. All NCIN grantee schools maintain a leadership program and a mentoring program for their scholars, as well as a pre-entry immersion program to help scholars learn study, test-taking, and other skills that will help them manage the challenges of an accelerated program in July 2014. The IUSON received another year of funding to support five IUSON students with a \$10,000 NCIN scholarship.
- The IUSON supported two underrepresented undergraduate students through the Diversity Scholar Research Program (DSRP). These students receive financial support and academic mentoring from IUSON faculty. The goal of DSRP is to facilitate the success of the next generation of nursing researchers and scholars, specifically those from underrepresented groups.
- Developing Future Nurse Leaders Mentoring (DFNL) program started fall 2013 to provide an opportunity for future nursing students to be linked with DFNL nurses and nursing students dedicated to building their foundation to become a future nurse leader. Students along with their mentors meet four (4) times a year. Students are a part of the DFNL program from high school through nursing school.
- Indiana University School of Nursing sent two DNP students to the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) Student Policy Summit in Washington, DC. Students who attend the three day summit are immersed in didactic program sessions focused on the federal policy process and nursing's role in professional advocacy.

Advances in Health and Life Sciences

- *Interprofessional Education* - During the 2014 spring break, three Doctor of Nursing Practice students and eight Masters of Business Administration students from the Kelley School of Business at IUPUI collaborated in a joint program to engage in a strategic planning consultation at the request of the CEO of the John F. Kennedy Medical Center in Monrovia. The vice-president for strategic planning at Eskenazi served as a scholar-in-residence and accompanied the group to Monrovia. This Health and the Business of Health Program was approved by the Overseas Study Abroad Committee.
- Sheri Robb, PhD, MT-BC and Joan Haase, PhD, RN, FAAN led a study funded by NIH testing the effect of music therapy on young cancer patients' coping skills. The study found that adolescents and young adults undergoing cancer treatment gain coping skills and resilience-related outcomes when they participate in a therapeutic music process that includes writing song lyrics and producing videos. This study was published in the January issue of *CANCER*, a prestigious peer-reviewed journal of the American Cancer Society.
http://www.musictherapy.org/landmark_multisite_study_reveals_positive_effects_of_music_therapy_protocol_among_youth_in_cancer_treatment/
- One of two research centers that received Signature Center designation from IUPUI is housed at the Indiana University School of Nursing. Susan Hickman, PhD, and Joan Haase, PhD, RN, FAAN, co-directors of the Research in Palliative and End-of-Life Communication and Training Center (RESPECT), along with Greg Sachs, MD, from IU School of Medicine, received IUPUI Signature Center designation.
- Joan E. Haase, PhD, RN, FAAN, was selected for the 2014 International Nurse Researcher Hall of Fame and will be inducted at the Sigma Theta Tau International 25th International Nurse Research Congress in July in Hong Kong. http://www.nursinglibrary.org/vhl/pages/halloffame_current.html

Contributions to the Well-Being of the Citizens of Indianapolis, the State of Indiana, and Beyond

- Indiana University School of Nursing students were honored at the 2014 Spirit of Philanthropy Luncheon for their fundraising efforts for the Students Helping Students Scholarship. The students have supported this scholarship through a variety of fundraisers, including T-shirt sales and ice cream socials, designed to attract attention and fund the cause.
- The Indiana University School of Nursing participated in the Healthy IU Initiative in several ways. By using our Healthy Change funds, we purchased a blood pressure machine; two scales; pedometers for all faculty and staff. Upon purchasing the pedometers, the Health and Wellness Committee developed the "Walk Across America Program." Close to 100 IU School of Nursing faculty and staff participated on 15 teams of 5-7 members who logged their steps over the course of the spring, 2014 semester. These teams walked a total of nearly *400,000 miles* in four months! Faculty and staff members were motivated to walk, who might not have otherwise. Individuals who never left their offices were seen walking the halls of IUSON in groups during short morning or afternoon breaks.
- IU School of Nursing participates in a program titled "Reducing the Risk" at George Washington Community School (GWCS) in collaboration with the Westside Wellness Center's Physically Active Residential Communities and Schools (PARCS) program operated by the IUPUI School of Physical

Education. The School of Nursing program centered on health literacy, health coaching and community based health education. Adult Nurse Practitioner Students and Adult CNS students served as Service Learning Assistants and mentored undergraduate students in the community health nursing course as they worked with community residents to answer health questions and provide anticipatory guidance. Students also participated in a health education table at the Family Nights and Parents in Touch Program sponsored at GWCS. During the 2013-2014 academic year students were engaged at GWCS 6-10 hours per week. IUSON remains an active partner with GWCS and participates in their monthly Community Schools Partnership Meeting.

- Undergraduate nursing students enrolled in the community health nursing practicum provided individual and group health education at IPS School #51 on a weekly basis during 2013-2014 with the assigned school nurse as part of the federally funded Department of Education grant (IUPUI Community Learning Network and IPS in the Martindale Brightwood area) for development of a community schools model. During spring 2013 the nursing students assisted with the opening of a food pantry at School #51 and provided education handouts on healthy meals and nutrition for families seeking food at the pantry. Nursing students were in the school setting 6 hours per week.
- Collaborations with State Representative Ed Clere and John Grew, IU Government Relations, created the opportunity for IU School of Nursing's first "Legislative Fellows." Marti Cangany and Wanda Spann Roddy, DNP students, were fellows for the 2014 session of the Indiana General Assembly. An IUSON 100th anniversary resolution was authored in the House by Representative Clere and sponsored in the Senate by Senator Patricia Miller, respective chairs of the health committees for each chamber. On February 18, 2014 Representative Clere and Senator Miller presented the resolution with Dean Broome, our two legislative fellows, Dr. Sharron Crowder, Mr. John Grew, and Mrs. Amy Warner on the chamber floors while IUSON students, faculty, and alumni filled the galleries.
- The IUSON early outreach program, Breaking the Myths of Nursing, provided underrepresented high school students in grades 9-12 with an insight into the realities of nursing to break the myths which circulate about the field of nursing.
- Assistant Professor Sharron J. Crowder, PhD, RN was named as a 2014 Faculty Policy Intensive Fellow with the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN). During the Intensive, fellows meet with leadership from federal departments and agencies to discuss policy initiatives for the nursing profession, network with Hill staff, attend workshops to strengthen and refine communication skills for effective advocacy and engage with representatives from national professional nursing organizations on current healthcare policy issues and the role of the collective voice. <http://www.aacn.nche.edu/government-affairs/fpi>
- Chad Priest, RN, MSN, JD, Assistant Dean for Operations and Community Partnerships with Indiana University School of Nursing, was named as a 2014 Indianapolis Business Journal Health Care Hero. The Health Care Hero Awards recognize individuals and/or organizations in the central Indiana health care industry who are making a significant impact on the quality of health care in the Indianapolis metropolitan area. <http://www.ibj.com/health-care-heroes-chad-priest-rn-msn-id/PARAMS/article/46378>
- Susan Rawl, PhD, RN, FAAN, was awarded the 2013 St. George National Award, The American Cancer Society's highest distinction for volunteer service.

Collaboration

- In September of 2013, Dean Marion E. Broome and Dr. Linda Q. Everett, Executive Vice President and Chief Nurse Executive at Indiana University Health, were awarded the Practice/Academic Innovative Collaborative Award for Sigma Theta Tau International in recognition of their leadership in forging a partnership across the Indiana University School of Nursing and Indiana University Health. The two of them were invited present at two national conferences, the National League for Nursing (NLN) and the American Organization of Nurse Executives (AONE), to discuss this partnership.
- In memory of Kaye Woltman, the Woltman family established a three-part initiative to help education families and caregivers, and create a greater focus on end-of-life and palliative issues in IU School of Nursing's graduate Nursing curriculum through a gift of \$770,000 over three years. *The Woltman Family Communication Program* will provide training to healthcare providers to implement evidence-based practices that improve patient and family satisfaction in end-of-life care. The IU Health System, with over 80 locations and 18 hospitals, will serve as the clinical partner for the Woltman Communications Program.
- Susan Hickman, PhD, along with her colleague Gerald Walthall, MD (Franciscan St. Francis Health), were selected in the category of Advancements in Health Care for their work with the Indiana Patient Preferences Coalition and the new Indiana POST form (Physician Orders for Scope of Treatment). www.indianapost.org Both Dr. Hickman and Dr. Walthall were nominated as Health Care Heroes for their work in this project by the Indianapolis Business Journal in the Advancements in Health Care category. <http://www.ibj.com/health-care-heroes-susan-hickman-phd-and-gerald-walthall-md-facs/PARAMS/article/46368>

Best Practices

- IUSON Clinical Associate Professor Barbara Friesth, PhD, RN, received the inaugural President's Award for Excellence in Teaching and Learning Technology from Indiana University. The award recognizes Dr. Friesth's "distinguished teaching through the sustained and innovative use of technology" and it was presented to her during the Celebration of Distinguished Teaching dinner on Friday, April 4, 2014.
- *Clinical Education Innovations* – Innovations in clinical education include plans for student engagement in expanded inter-professional education opportunities, new simulation scenarios to promote deep learning and collaboration, and health coaching experiences. The data from a recent study of student, preceptor, and faculty perceptions about the three clinical education models currently used (Practice Education Partners preceptorship, traditional faculty supervision, and a hybrid) will be used to guide decisions about best practices in clinical nursing education and to strengthen partnerships.
- The BSN program conducts a twice yearly Induction Ceremony for incoming nursing students. This ceremony allows current nursing students, family, and friends to join with faculty to welcome these new individuals into the School of Nursing, and to introduce them to the profession. The event focuses on professionalism and leadership, includes speakers from the School of Nursing faculty body as well as from our healthcare partners, and seeks to give the new students a sense of community and purpose.

- At the Indiana University May 2014 graduation ceremony, IU President Michael A. McRobbie presented former Dean and emerita professor Angela Barron McBride, PhD, RN, with an Honorary Doctor of Science Degree. Dr. McBride started at Indiana University as an associate professor in 1978 and served as IUSON Dean from 1991-2003 and is recognized as an American Academy of Nursing Living Legend. Her contribution to nursing and women's health and health care quality have influenced health practices across the nation.