

News & Notes from the National Institute of Nursing Research: July 2013

1. Collaboration on Future NIH News Releases and Other Media

In collaboration with your institution, NINR seeks to promote and disseminate published results of NINR-funded research through the publication of press releases and other media. Should you have an accepted research article (page proof) that you wish to share with NINR, please send an email to info@ninr.nih.gov.

2. Upcoming Funding Opportunity: Demonstration Projects for Pragmatic Clinical Trials Focusing on Multiple Chronic Conditions

The NIH Office of Strategic Coordination has given notice of an upcoming funding opportunity announcement (FOA) for Demonstration Projects for Pragmatic Clinical Trials focusing on the management of multiple chronic conditions. Pragmatic trials are primarily designed to determine the effects of an intervention under the usual conditions in which it will be applied. NINR has joined this initiative.

Application Dates: The FOA is expected to be published in the Summer of 2013, with an expected application due date in Fall 2013.

Demonstration Projects must address a question important for the management of multiple chronic health conditions. For this FOA, common chronic health conditions include diseases, chronic symptoms (e.g., chronic pain) as well as chronic functional impairment (e.g., disability). Applicants are strongly encouraged to develop projects that focus on prevention, diagnosis, treatment or management of patients with multiple chronic medical conditions – and one that engages partnership with multiple health care systems. Nurse scientists are encouraged to apply.

For more information on this upcoming funding opportunity, please visit:

<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-RM-13-022.html>.

3. NINR Releases Report on End-of-Life and Palliative Care Research

NINR recently published *Building Momentum: The Science of End-of-Life and Palliative Care. A Review of Research Trends and Funding, 1997-2010*. This report looks at the trends in end-of-life and palliative care (EOL PC) research publications over the past 14 years, including information on federal research awards, funding patterns, and the contributions of public and private investments in EOL PC science.

The report's focus addresses the 1997 Institute of Medicine recommendations for the scientific community to strengthen the research landscape, foster new evidence and define and implement priorities for increasing the knowledge base for EOL PC. The key findings of the report not only summarize the state of EOL PC research, but also identify gaps that future research efforts could address.

The publication is available online at www.ninr.nih.gov/eolspotlight.

4. NINR Division of Intramural Research Welcomes New Clinical Director

NINR is pleased to announce that Dr. Suzanne Wingate has joined the Institute as Clinical Director and Senior Clinician in NINR's Division of Intramural Research (DIR). In her leadership role, Dr. Wingate will support the

continued growth of DIR's clinical programs.

Dr. Wingate is a certified Adult Nurse Practitioner with MS and PhD degrees in nursing from Catholic University, Washington, DC. Dr. Wingate previously worked at the NIH Clinical Center as a Nurse Specialist and also served as a member of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute Institutional Review Board. Prior to joining NINR, Dr. Wingate spent 15 years working in the cardiology department at Kaiser Permanente Mid-Atlantic States, where she focused on individuals with advanced heart failure. Dr. Wingate is also a retired Captain in the Navy Nurse Corps.

Please join us in welcoming Dr. Wingate.

5. Mark Your Calendar! NINR's Graduate Partnerships Program 2014 Application Period Opens Early August 2013

The application period for the 2014 NINR Graduate Partnerships Program (GPP) will open in early **August 2013** and will close **December 2, 2013**. Reference letters will be accepted until **December 16, 2013**. The new application period is about a month earlier than in previous years.

NINR invites nursing students who are currently enrolled in a PhD program to apply to the 2014 NINR GPP. A doctoral fellowship program that coordinates training and funding for nursing students who are motivated to undertake careers in basic or clinical research, the GPP offers the academic environment of a university and the breadth and depth of research at the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

A graduate nursing student selected to become an NINR GPP fellow completes initial coursework at the partnership university (up to 2 years, depending on curriculum requirements). Following this coursework, the fellow comes to the NIH campus in Bethesda, Maryland, to begin research toward a doctoral dissertation. NINR GPP fellows focus their dissertation research primarily in pathophysiological mechanisms related to symptoms and symptom management, health promotion, disease prevention, tissue injury, and genetics. The fellow's academic advisor and an NIH scientist serve as co-mentors for the dissertation process.

To be considered eligible for 2014, applicants must submit an up-to-date curriculum vitae and have all doctoral coursework completed no later than August 2014.

For more information about the NINR GPP, please visit:

www.ninr.nih.gov/GPP or send an email with "NINR GPP" in the subject line to NINRIRPTraining@mail.nih.gov.

6. 81st Meeting of the National Advisory Council for Nursing Research – Live Videocast Will Be Available

The open session of the 81st meeting of the National Advisory Council for Nursing Research (NACNR) will take place on **September 17, 2013, from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m.** in Conference Room 6C6, Building 31, C wing, on the NIH campus. Visitors are welcome to attend. **Please note: This session will also be videocast live at NIH Videocasting and Podcasting (<http://videocast.nih.gov/>).**

The NACNR meets three times a year to provide recommendations on the direction and support of the nursing, biomedical, social, and behavioral research that forms the evidence base for nursing practice.

More information about the NACNR is available online at: <http://www.ninr.nih.gov/AboutNINR/NACNR>.

Information on visiting the NIH campus is available online at: <http://www.nih.gov/about/visitor/index.htm>.

7. Current Funding Opportunity Announcements and Notices

All current NINR Funding Opportunity Announcements, including Requests for Applications (RFAs) and Program Announcements (PAs), as well as Notices of interest from NIH, are available on the NINR website at

<http://www.ninr.nih.gov/researchandfunding/dea/oep/fundingopportunities>. These items can also be found in the NIH Guide for Grants and Contracts: <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/index.html>.

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