Dissertation Defense:

Congratulations to Francine B. Jensen who successfully defended her dissertation titled Meeting End-of-Life Needs: Hospice Delivery for People with Unstable Housing. The members of her committee were Drs. Kristin Cloyes (Chair), Kathie Supiano, Lee Ellington, Gail Towsley, and Stephen Jones. You can view Francine’s defense at U Mediaspace: College of Nursing PhD Dissertation Defenses.

Grant Award:

With the goal of advancing the health, wellness, and cancer-related health outcomes of Utah’s population, Intermountain Healthcare provided funding for the Utah Grand Challenge Initiative. Drs. Deanna Kepka and Neal Davis received a $200K Utah Grand Challenge award for their cancer control project titled Intermountain Healthcare, Huntsman Cancer Institute, and University of Utah Partnership to Improve HPV Vaccination in Utah’s Lowest Performing Health Districts for HPV Vaccination. The funding will support collaborative research between the Huntsman Cancer Institute and Intermountain Healthcare with the goal of improving HPV vaccination in Utah.
Presentations:

The Consortium for Families and Health Research (C-FAHR) sponsored a series titled COVID and Families: How Social Isolation, Caregiving, and COVID Transmission have Reshaped Families. Presenters included:

- **Dr. Kara Dassel** and Dr. Melody Mickens – Family Caregivers: The Unsung Heroes and Invisible Health Care Workers During COVID-19.
- **Dr. Kristin Cloyes** – COVID-19 has Uncovered Unmet Needs Among Cancer Survivors and their Caregivers, with a Focus on LGBTQ+ Groups.

Publications:


In Other News:

The National Cancer Institute (NCI) frequently receives requests for examples of funded grant applications. On its [Sample Healthcare Delivery Research Grant Applications website](https://www.cancer.gov), the Healthcare Delivery Research Program featured **Dr. Deanna Kepka** and **Dr. Anne Kirchoff's R03: Statewide Assessment of HPV Vaccination Among Childhood Cancer Survivors**.

Health Care Provider Recognition:

CON nurse-midwives continue to impress their patients. Here are a few recent accolades.

- **Kayla Gatos**: I had a good experience with the facility and the provider also. I had spent most of my questioning with a student named Buffy before the actual
exam. However, Ms. Gatos was there during the exams and she was very helpful and insightful in helping the student do the job. I would definitely recommend both of them to friends and family.

- **Paige Miller**: I had a very great experience and left with my questions answered!
- **Dr. Danica Loveridge**: She was very sweet and attentive. Always on time and very professional.
- **Emily duBois Hollander**: Emily is amazing – she takes the time to explain everything that’s going on and addresses any questions no matter how small / weird. I never feel rushed and feel very well taken care of. I couldn’t recommend her more.
- **Emily duBois Hollander**: Emily has such excellent bedside manner. She is patient, listens intently and never makes you feel judged. This post-partum period can be an emotional roller coaster and it’s so nice to have the support of such an empathetic health care provider.
- **Dr. Isabelle Armstrong**: Izzy was patient, knowledgeable, understanding and kind.
- **Claudia Gerard**: Claudia is compassionate, highly skilled, and personable.