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Grant Award:

The National Cancer Institute awarded a \$6,647,861 R01 grant to Dr. Noah Kolb from the University of Vermont, **Dr. Kathi Mooney**, and Dr. Albert “Gordon” Smith from Virginia Commonwealth University. The research team will conduct a prospective randomized trial designed to investigate a new care model for patients who suffer from chemotherapy induced peripheral neuropathy.

Fellowship:

Dr. Michelle Litchman is one of ten nurse scientists accepted to the second cohort of the [Betty Irene Moore Fellowship for Nurse Leaders and Innovators](#). Led by Betty Irene Moore School of Nursing at UC Davis, the three-year [fellowship](#) recognizes early- to mid-career nursing scholars and innovators with a high potential to accelerate leadership in nursing research, practice, education, policy and entrepreneurship. Fellows receive \$450,000 to conduct an innovative project or study with the potential to address a gap in knowledge, meet a vital need, alter care delivery, or design a new solution to advance health. Michelle's project is titled *Improving Access to Diabetes Education and Care for Deaf Populations*, and will involve co-designing a deaf accessible diabetes one-day program, and testing it with a national sample of deaf and hard of hearing people living with diabetes.

Recognition:

Hannah Elliott, administrative assistant for the Division of Acute and Chronic Care, graduated with a Master of Public Policy degree from the College of Social & Behavioral Science.

Award:

The American College of Nurse-Midwives presented the Outstanding Preceptor Award to **Julie King**. This award honors a preceptor of student certified nurse-midwives or certified midwives who has shown outstanding qualities for leadership and teaching, been a mentor for multiple students, and repeatedly promoted high standards of midwifery education.

Presentations:

Dr. Josh Wall was the keynote speaker at the [2021 Critical Care Transport Medicine Conference](#). Based on his qualitative research, his presentation *Talking about patient death: The elephant in the room* addressed how patient death impacts transport providers, and offered recommendations for how transport providers can mitigate the negative effects that death can have on the multidisciplinary clinical team.

Dr. Kathi Mooney, Dr. Eli Iacob, Dr. Christina Wilson, Dr. Gary Donaldson, Jennifer Lloyd, Heidi Nielson, and John Ward will present an oral presentation titled [Randomized Trial of Remote Cancer Symptom Monitoring during COVID-19: Impact on Symptoms, QoL, and Unplanned Health Care Utilization](#) at the Virtual 2021 [American Society of Clinical Oncology Annual Meeting](#). **Christina Echeverria, Kim Brown, and Samantha May** were key members of research implementation team.

Dr. Linda Edelman, Catherine Witt, Dr. Gail Towsley, Sarah Woolsey, Matt Hansen, Allie Spangler, and Jorie Butler presented [Long-term Services and Support Staff Covid-19 Vaccine Hesitancy](#) at the [American Geriatrics Society 2021 Virtual Annual Scientific Meeting](#).

Dr. Catherine Staes presented *Envisioning the Future on FHIR* at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention sponsored Data Modernization workshop aimed to help jurisdictions across the US achieve scalable and sustainable information infrastructure and build workforce capacity. Fast Healthcare Interoperability Resources (FHIR) is a standard that enables apps to work in the healthcare environment, and be better leveraged to support communication between clinical and public health settings.

Jami Baayd, **Mikelle Lloyd, Gabriela Garcia, and Dr. Susanna Cohen** – members of the LIFT Simulation Design Lab - presented *Using Simulation Training to Improve the Quality of Emergency Birth Transfers in Utah* at the [2021 Utah Public Health Association Virtual Conference](#).

Dr. Lauri Linder presented *Symptom Assessment for Children and Adolescents Receiving Cancer Treatment* at the Children's Cancer and Leukaemia Group Supportive and Palliative Care Education Day. The Children's Cancer and Leukaemia Group is a leading children's cancer charity, and the United Kingdom and Ireland's professional association for those involved in the treatment and care of children with cancer.

Dr. Kathie Supiano, Dr. Siobhan Aaron, and Esther Okang will present a webinar for Social Work Hospice & Palliative Care Network on May 27, 2021. Their presentation [Supporting Frontline Community Health Workers](#) will address the lived experiences of front-line community health workers, and model of care and strategies to meet the psychological support needs of community health workers.

Panel, Podium, Round Table, and Forum Presentations at the [American College of Nurse-Midwives 66th Annual Meeting & Exhibition](#). Held virtually on May 23-25, 2021, this year's conference theme is "Dismantling Racism in Midwifery: Acknowledging the Past and Building a Better Future."

- *Utilizing ACNM Global Midwifery Competencies to Practice Anti-Racism While Working in Global Midwifery.* Barbara Floyd, Nola Holness, **Dr. Deb Penney** (panel presentation)
- *Iron Deficiency Anemia in Pregnancy: Treatment and Monitoring with IV Iron.* **Dr. Jessica Ellis, Christina Elmore** (podium presentation)
- *Centering BIPOC Conversations and Practices in Nursing and Midwifery Training Programs.* **Susan Dearden, Dr. Uma Dorn, Dr. Gwen Latendresse, Kritzia Merced, Paola Sepulveda** (round table)
- *Depression as a Contradiction to the American Dream: Addressing Barriers.* **Susan Dearden, Dr. Uma Dorn, Dr. Gwen Latendresse, Kritzia Merced, Paola Sepulveda** (round table)
- *Anxiety Symptoms and Severity Among Perinatal Women Screened for Depression with the Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale.* **Susan Dearden, Dr. Eli Iacob, Dr. Gwen Latendresse, Ryoko Pentecost, Dr. Sara Simonsen** (research forum)

Poster Presentations:

Cherie Brunker, **Dr. Linda Edelman**, **Jacqueline Telonidis**, **Catherine Witt**, and Jorie Butler presented a poster titled *Bridging the Age-Friendly Health System Knowledge Gaps through ECHO* at the [American Geriatrics Society 2021 Virtual Annual Scientific Meeting](#).

Jennifer Tjia, **Dr. Mardie Clayton**, J Smith, Geraldine Puerto, Vennesa Duodu, and Susan DeSanto-Madeya will present a virtual poster titled *Medication Regimen Complexity among Older Adults Admitted to Home Hospice* at the [37th International Conference on Pharmacoepidemiology and Therapeutic Risk Management](#) in August 2021.

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- *Changes to Planned Birth Location due to COVID-19*. **Dr. Jessica Ellis**.
- *An Exploratory Prospective Study of Water Birth at UUMC*. **Dr. Jessica Ellis, Dr. Gwen Latendresse**.
- *Influences of Maternal Obesity on Induction of Labor Requiring Cervical Ripening*. **Dr. Jessica Ellis**.
- *Interprofessional Simulation Training to Improve Out-of-Hospital Birth Transfers*. **Jami Baayd, Dr. Susanna Cohen**.
- *Identifying and Addressing Racial Bias in Maternal Health: Piloting a Virtual Training for Midwives*. **Dr. Susanna Cohen, Dr. Jeelan Fall**.

In the Media:

Becky Ginos interviewed **Moniqa Arnes** for the article [Lifelike manikins used as teaching tools](#) that was published in [The Davis Journal](#). The article features Moniqa's work as a simulation technology specialist, including creating simulation scenarios to educate health care professionals, using moulage to create injuries, and operating manikins, and showcases the [College of Nursing Simulation Center](#).

Publications:

Mooney K, Titchener K, Haaland B, **Coombs LA**, O'Neil B, Nelson R, McPherson JP, Kirchhoff AC, Beck AC, Ward JH. Evaluation of oncology hospital at home: Unplanned health care utilization and costs in the Huntsman at Home real-world trial. *J Clin Oncol*. 2021. [doi: 10.1200/JCO.20.03609](https://doi.org/10.1200/JCO.20.03609)

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Gawron LM, **Simonsen SE**, Millar MM, Lewis-Caporal J, Patel S, Simmons RG. Pregnancy risk screening and counseling for women veterans: Piloting the One Key Question in the Veterans Healthcare Administration. *South Med J*. 2021;114(3):150-155. [DOI 10.14423/SMJ.0000000000001218](https://doi.org/10.14423/SMJ.0000000000001218)

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Service:

Governor Spencer Cox released a plan for his first 500 days in office called the “[One Utah Roadmap](#)” that outlines six key priorities, one of which is “health security, including fighting COVID-19 and addressing social determinants of health.” **Dr. Linda Edelman** was invited to participate on a state work group that will focus on “Access to Care,” a sub-priority under Health Security. The work group will meet monthly to discuss challenges, barriers, and potential solutions to improving access to care via telehealth.

Dr. Gwen Latendresse was a member of the 2021 Program Committee for the [American College of Nurse-Midwives 66th Annual Meeting & Exhibition](#).