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Awards:

Jane Price received a prestigious University of Utah Staff Excellence Award during an awards ceremony on March 4, 2022 at the Officers' Club. Jane received the award specifically within the University of Utah Academic Health Sciences District. From her nomination letters of support: "Jane's performance aligns well with two of the University's major strategic goals, specifically

'promote student success to transform lives' and 'ensure long-term viability of the University.' Jane has moved the CON, and therefore the University, significantly forward in achieving those strategic goals, particularly through her stellar contributions to technology-assisted education in both synchronous and asynchronous courses. Jane receives frequent praise and gratitude from both students and course instructors on a regular basis."

Editors at [Healthcare Innovation](#) chose [Huntsman at Home™](#) as the winner of the publication's [Top Innovator Award for 2022](#). **Dr. Kathleen Mooney** pioneered development and evaluation of the University of Utah Health Huntsman Cancer Institute's (HCI) Huntsman at Home™ program, the first hospital-at-home service that is oncology-specific. Bringing the high standard and excellence of care patients receive at HCI to their home, the service allows patients to avoid hospitalization or leave the hospital sooner. Huntsman at Home™ teams include HCI physicians and advanced practice registered nurses, and Community Nursing Services' registered nurses, nursing aides, physical therapists, pharmacists, and social workers who visit patients in their home, and provide acute care, supportive care, and hospice and palliative care.

Recognitions:

Casey McFarland (Mentor: **Dr. Jenny Alderden**) was named as the 2022 Outstanding Undergraduate Researcher for the Honors College.

Kari Stoddard (Mentor: **Dr. Lisa Taylor-Swanson**) was named as the 2022 Outstanding Undergraduate Researcher for the College of Nursing.

Grant Awards:

The Huntsman Cancer Institute Breast and Gynecologic Cancers Center (BGCC) awarded \$29,779 to multiple principal investigators Drs. Elissa Ozanne, **Deanna Kepka**, and Tracy Onega to support their pilot research project titled "*Intervening on Social Determinants of Health to Increase Breast Cancer Screening in a Mobile Mammography program.*" Funding from the BGCC is provided with the goal of promoting transdisciplinary, collaborative research that will impact understanding, prevention, and/or treatment of breast cancer.

Hitachi, Ltd awarded \$120,000 in additional funds to **Dr. Catherine Staes** and her team, including **Dr. Caroline Scheese**, and collaborators from Biomedical Informatics and the Huntsman Cancer Institute, to continue research related to "Data Analytics to Improve End-of-Life Care." The investigators developed a predictive survival model and visualization to support provider, patient, and caregiver decision making, and are assessing impact on information needs from these different perspectives.

Presentations:

As part of [St. Jude HPV Cancer Prevention Program International HPV Awareness Day 2022](#), Drs. Ronny Bell, Marvella Ford, **Deanna Kepka**, and Jesse Nodora spoke at a seminar titled *Addressing Inequities in HPV Vaccination Coverage and HPV Cancers*. The seminar featured an in-depth conversation that addressed the disparities associated with human papillomavirus vaccination coverage across Black, Indigenous, People of Color, and rural communities.

Dr. Deanna Kepka was keynote speaker and judge for the University of Utah School of Medicine Fifth Annual Global Health Case Competition. The title of her presentation was *Vaccines, the Solution; Vaccine Access & Hesitancy, the Challenge*.

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Professional Service:

Dr. Kimberly Garcia accepted an invitation to be an assistant editor for [Birth: Issues in Perinatal Care](#), a multidisciplinary, refereed journal devoted to issues and practices in the care of childbearing women, infants, and families across the world. It is written by and for professionals in maternal and neonatal health, nurses, midwives, physicians, public health workers, doulas, social scientists, childbirth educators, lactation counselors, epidemiologists, and other health caregivers and policymakers in perinatal care.

Dr. Deanna Kepka accepted an invitation to be an Associate Editor for [Connected Health](#), a specialty section of [Frontiers in Digital Health](#).

Dr. Bob Wong accepted President Taylor Randall's invitation to serve on the University of Utah Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs Search Committee, representing the College of Nursing.

In the Media:

In an Association of Diabetes Care & Education Specialists sponsored [The Huddle podcast titled "Identifying Gaps in Your Diabetes Services to Improve Reach and Impact,"](#) **Drs. Nancy Allen** and **Ana Sanchez-Birkhead** shared their expertise and perspectives on identifying gaps in diabetes services, and bridging these gaps using innovative solutions and new members of the care team, like peer facilitators.

Funded by a 1U4U grant, **Dr. Sara Simonsen** and Dr. Akiko Kamimura (Sociology) produced two films: one about preconception healthcare, and one about intimate partner violence for members of the Central African Immigrant/Refugee community. Members of the community helped write the scripts and performed as actors and actresses. Playing the role of a healthcare provider who was counseling a couple about optimizing their health to prepare for pregnancy, **Julie King** was the only actress from outside the African community. Julie generously shared her expertise, dedicated an entire Saturday to filming, and was an excellent actress! Sara's team will share the films with the community at an upcoming event and assess their impact on persons' knowledge, beliefs, and attitudes about preconception care and intimate partner violence. In addition, the team will submit the films to the American Public Health Association film festival.

Drs. Caroline Stephens, Joan Carpenter, Ruth Palan Lopez, and Lauren Hunt produced a [GeriPal Podcast titled "Understanding the Variability in Care of Nursing Home Residents with Advanced Dementia."](#) They highlighted an article that Ruth Palan Lopez published in [JAMA Intern Med titled Association of Nursing Home Organizational Culture and Staff Perspectives With Variability in Advanced Dementia Care: The ADVANCE Study](#), and had a panel discussion that Lauren Hunt moderated. The podcast has been edited, transcribed, and posted on [GeriPal](#), Libsyn, [YouTube](#), [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#). In addition, the episode has been propagated to [Apple Podcasts](#), Spotify, Amazon Music, Google Podcasts, and Stitcher.

In Other News:

The Division of Acute and Chronic Care welcomed two baby girls during Spring Break! **Dr. Van Gip** and her husband welcomed Baby Vera on March 5. **Dr. Sara Webb** and her family welcomed Baby Ellie on March 9. Both babies arrived a few weeks early, but are home and doing well.

College Kudos will not be published on March 28, 2022.