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Awards:

The Presidential Scholar award recognizes the extraordinary academic accomplishments and promise of associate professor faculty members, providing them with financial support to advance their research and teaching. Dr. Lauri Linder has been selected from an exceptional cadre of nominees from Colleges and Schools across the university for this impressive distinction. She will be recognized as a Presidential Scholar for three academic years: 2022-2023, 2023-2024, and 2024-2025.
Deidre Schoenfeld received a Health Academics District Staff Excellence Award, and will be considered for one of eight University-wide awards. Established in 1992, this awards program recognizes superior service and ongoing contributions by full-time staff employees.

Grant Award:

Dr. Paula Meek received a $372,269 Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) Nurse Faculty Loan Program award, which will provide loan repayment assistance to our graduate students who will serve as nurse faculty in an eligible school of nursing.

International Service and Scholarship:

Four faculty members and an alumna are working in Guatemala to improve women's health across the lifespan. With support from two College of Nursing intramural grants, Drs. Kimberly Garcia, Julie Gee, Deanna Kepka, and Lisa Taylor-Swanson conducted three studies in San Raymundo.

- **Drs. Garcia and Gee** taught lay midwives and firefighters about neonatal resuscitation.
- **Drs. Kepka and Garcia** conducted focus groups on cervical cancer screening, including self-testing for human papillomavirus (HPV). HPV causes cervical cancer, the leading cause of female death in Latin America.
- **Drs. Garcia and Taylor-Swanson** taught lay midwives about acupressure for labor promotion, and for support during threatened preterm labor.

Dr. Garcia is conducting an additional study in Petén, teaching 250 lay midwives about COVID. Dr. Garcia, co-founder of Madre y Niño, collaborates with the Guatemalan Ministry of Health regarding her studies with lay midwives.

Faculty and alumna Dr. Buffy Taylor (Doctor of Nursing Practice degree, 2022; Women’s Health Nurse Practitioner) provided direct patient care, educated patients, and conducted studies during a Refuge International health clinic. A first for the clinic, Drs. Taylor-Swanson and Taylor provided acupuncture services. Team members transported and distributed supplies such as KN95 masks from the College of Nursing, herbal sitz baths from BirthCare HealthCare, bags and masks from Refuge International, and neonatal mannequins from Neonatal Resuscitation.

During Spring Semester 2022, nearly 20 College of Nursing students, including then student Buffy Taylor, collaborated with faculty to design and plan the studies.
Community Engagement:

The 2022 Junior League of Salt Lake City Community Assistance and Resource Event (CARE) Fair was held at the Horizonte Instruction and Learning Center on July 29-30. At the CARE Fair, families accessed routine medical, dental, and vision services, and learned about assistance available within the community. Numerous community agencies and medical service providers provided free care at one time and in one place. On July 29, Dr. Valerie Flattes precepted University of Utah Health Sciences students who provided care.

Presentations:

Dr. Jennifer Clifton served on the Planning Committee for the 46th Annual Utah Physician Assistant/Nurse Practitioner Conference. Faculty presenters included:
- Dr. Amanda Al-Khudairi – Pregnancy Considerations in Primary Care
- Dr. Jennifer Hamilton – Advanced Practice Providers on Quality Improvement Committees
- Dr. Keisa Lynch – Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease

Publications:


Professional Service:

Dr. Gwen Latendresse was invited to serve on a Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) Telehealth Strategies for the Delivery of Maternal Health Care Technical Expert Panel. Outcomes included a 158-page report, and a paper published in the *Annals of Internal Medicine.*
In the Media:

Dr. Linda Edelman, Dr. Larry Garrett, Dr. Brenda Luther, Dr. Jennifer Macali, and Harper Vander Hoek, and Bicknell, Utah-based Wayne Community Health Center created the film Day in the Life of a Rural Nurse, which features Josie Moosman, BSN, RN. A registered nurse at Wayne Community Health Center, Josie and her team were the #1 Nurse Education, Practice, Quality & Retention (NEPQR) preceptors for the last four years, and worked closely with College of Nursing faculty on monthly webinars. During Fall Semester 2022, and as an Advanced Nursing Education Workforce (ANEW) trainee, Josie will begin the College of Nursing Doctor of Nursing Practice Program, and specialize in primary care.

On its news website and using an Ask an Expert approach, Huntsman Cancer Institute featured Drs. Catherine Staes, Anna Beck, and Jordan McPherson’s ongoing work to support decision-making for providers and patients with advanced cancer.

Dr. Echo Warner and Dr. Skyler Johnson were featured in OncLive.com. In their article titled Fellows Can Join the Fight Against Cancer Misinformation Online, they discuss that although organizations acknowledge a need for innovative uses of social technology to improve cancer-related support and provide information, there is much cancer misinformation on the internet. In addition, they provide strategies to mitigate online cancer misinformation.

Professional Development:

Dr. Lynn Reinke, the Claire Dumke Ryberg, R.N. Presidential Endowed Chair in End-of Life/Palliative Care, has been accepted into the Spring 2023 cohort of the University of Utah Women in Leadership Certificate Program hosted by the David Eccles School of Business. The 7-session program is designed for women who seek the skills to be effective leaders, and business leaders committed to helping women be successful in leadership roles. Content includes conflict management and assertiveness, mindfulness and interpersonal effectiveness, the power of communication, authentic voice, mentoring, and executive presence.

The 2022-2023 Mountain States Community-Engaged Dissemination & Implementation Science (MS-CEDI) Training Program commenced the first week of August in Midway, UT. Co-sponsored by the College of Nursing, MS-CEDI is a 9-month intensive program bringing together implementation scientists and trainees from the University of Utah and Arizona State University to develop and submit research proposals using dissemination and implementation methods. Dr. Andrea Wallace serves as a program mentor, and this year's trainees include Drs. Nancy Allen, Shinduk Lee, and Sara Simonsen.