Grant Award:

The Consortium for Families and Health Research (C-FAHR) awarded a $1,500 pilot program award to Dr. Christine Platt for her project titled *Siblings as Caregivers: Exploring Support Provided by Siblings for Children with Chronic Illnesses*. She and mentors Dr. Andrea Wallace and Dr. Lauri Linder will conduct a mixed-methods study to investigate how siblings of children with chronic illnesses are engaged in the caregiving process. The study will help lay the groundwork for future studies supporting children with complex medical needs.
**Professional Service:**

As president of the Utah Chapter of the American Psychiatric Nurses Association, Dr. Zoe Robbins organized the Utah Chapter Conference 2023, in which registered nurses and nurse practitioners learned about Utah legislation, E-cigarettes as smoking cessation pharmacotherapy, reproductive psychiatry, depression, suicide prevention, and transcranial magnetic stimulation therapy.

Dr. Zoe Robbins has recently completed a two-year term as Chair of the Utah Telehealth Network (UTN) Advisory Council, whose responsibilities include preparing strategic plans, reviewing budgets and fee structures, recommending policies, advising regarding network member services, and engaging in government relations.

**Faculty Spotlight:**

Dr. Valerie Flattes was interviewed for the EDI Leadership Series.

Dr. Jennifer Hamilton was present at Wasatch Canyons when a “code blue” was called for a person who experienced a life-threatening health emergency that required staff to immediately begin resuscitative measures. A person who was present sent the following email, praising Dr. Hamilton for her role during the emergency situation.

“Hello Jenny,

I wanted to reach out and thank you for the effort you put into helping the pt and the caregivers yesterday on the Adol Day Treatment Unit. I talked with Jen Robins at length about the incident, and she kept coming back to how supportive and helpful you were. ‘If Jenny was not there, it would have just been me and one other RN, and I would have felt very alone in the decision making.’ I think that rings true to how your role is appreciated on these units. So, thank you for providing an extra layer of support and positivity to a difficult situation.”

**Presentations:**

Dr. Lauri Linder mentored five students who will present at the Utah Conference on Undergraduate Research (UCUR) on February 17, 2023.

- **Sydney Gilliland** – Usability of the Revised Color Me Healthy App for Children with Cancer.
- Minahil Usman – Pediatric Oncology Patients’ Conceptualization of Cancer Symptoms.

In addition, Dr. Kimberly Garcia mentored Ella Baker who will present Improving Neonatal Resuscitation Curriculum Using Demographic Information and Preferred Learning Methods from Guatemalan Lay Midwives.
Community Engagement:

Dr. Lisa Taylor-Swanson and Dr. Camille Moreno hosted a menopause session with midlife and elder women from the Calvary Baptist Church. They shared “menopause 101” information about symptoms, stages during the menopausal transition and post-menopause, and integrative health self-care for symptom management. A question and answer session followed the presentation. Community members were overwhelmingly excited about the information, and a follow-up session will be scheduled with a community in the Ogden area.

Publications:


Dr. Erin Meyer submitted a report titled ‘At Home,’ An Inquiry, that was selected through a peer-reviewed, competitive process for publication on the website for the Conference for Global Transformation, an annual international conference held virtually. If you are interested in attending this conference, contact Dr. Meyer to learn about conference prerequisites. The reports and proceedings will not be published on the website until the conference begins on May 19, 2023.


In the Media:

Dr. Scott Christensen authored an article titled How Nurses and Administrators Can Respond to the Prevalence of Violence in Health Care, for Oncology Nursing Society’s web series ONS Voice.

College Kudos will not be published on February 20, 2023.

Best Regards,
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