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**Grant Awards:**

The National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases awarded a $923,667 R01 grant to Dr. Nancy Allen, Dr. Michelle Litchman, Dr. Cynthia Berg, Dr. Eli Iacob, and Dr. Jonathon Butner for their project titled *Share plus: Continuous Glucose Monitoring with Data Sharing in Older Adults with T1D and Their Care Partners*. The purpose of their study is to test an intervention, called Share plus, aimed at improving the use of data sharing between persons with diabetes and their care partners.
in order to maximize the benefits of continuous glucose monitoring. The Share plus intervention provides instruction to current continuous glucose monitoring users about setting up the data sharing app, strengthening dyadic communication and problem solving, and establishing a data-sharing action plan for older adults with type 1 diabetes and their care partners.

Dr. Echo Warner, Andy King, Skyler Johnson, and Jahee Yi received a $35,000 Research Incentive Seed Grant from the College of Nursing and the Vice President for Research Office for their project titled **Online Cancer Misinformation (ONC-M) Framework Face Validity Testing**. The team will focus on validity testing of two important tools for cancer misinformation research among the general population. Their first aim is to validate a measure of online cancer misinformation susceptibility, and identify predictors of an individual’s ability to identify cancer (mis)information through an online survey. With a subset of survey respondents, the second aim is to evaluate the face validity of the ONC-M conceptual framework, which they previously developed, to explain the process by which online cancer misinformation influences health behaviors and decision-making. This work will advance Dr. Warner’s program of research by 1) contributing methodological rigor and reproducibility of measuring cancer misinformation susceptibility, and 2) enhancing the representativeness of the ONC-M framework for informing future cancer misinformation mitigation interventions.

Dr. Keisa Lynn and Melodie Weller were awarded a grant titled **The Changing Landscape: HDV Reflex Testing and Linkage to Care in the Utah Population**. They will assess the prevalence of hepatitis delta in Utah.

Systems and Technology (SYSTECH) received $177,725.93 for their **FY24 Learning Spaces Proposal**. All eight proposals were fully funded, which will enable SYSTECH to install new interactive video conferencing equipment, upgrade existing equipment in multiple classrooms, update the bedside and control room computer infrastructure in the College of Nursing Simulation Center, renew the Canvas Respondus license for the campus; and obtain a Grammarly site license for all College of Nursing students, faculty, and staff at the College. Rebwar Baesmat, Mike McIntosh, Steven Seal, and Brent Vawdrey created project scopes, gathered data to justify the projects, obtained required documents from vendors, and wrote the proposal.

**Faculty Spotlight:**

University President Dr. Taylor Randall appointed Dr. Debra Penney as Associate Professor (Clinical) Emeritus. Since her start at the College of Nursing in 2001, Dr. Penney made sustained and impactful contributions to the nursing profession, the University of Utah, and the College of Nursing. Throughout her 43-year nursing career, her work informed and shaped nursing education, global health, health care for indigenous people and refugees, policy, research and scholarship, and interdisciplinary clinical practice.

**Presentations:**

Dr. Mollie Cummins was a member of the Scientific Program Committee for the **2023 AMIA (American Medical Informatics Association) Informatics Summit**.

- Dr. Mollie Cummins Chaired the Social Determinants of Health: Addressing Disparities and Bias session.
- Ram Gouripeddi, Dr. Mollie Cummins, and colleagues presented a poster titled **Developing a Metadata Description for Publishing Research Data Resources for Promoting their Reuse**.
• Ram Gouripeddi, Jackson Barlocker, Natalya Alekhina, Jace Johnny, Jennifer Lloyd, Haddy Bah, Tina Greimes, and Dr. Mollie Cummins presented a poster titled Performance of Containerized Text De-identification (TiDE) for De-identification of RECOVER EHR Clinical Notes. The Nursing Informatics Conference Engagement Scholarship supported Natalya Alekhina, Jace Johnny, and Jennifer Lloyd’s participation.

The Oncology Nursing Society (ONS) invited Dr. Scott Christensen and Chris Snyder, University of Utah Chief of Police (Retired) to present Safety and Violence in Healthcare on April 26, 2023, at the 48th Annual ONS Congress.

Dr. Shawna Sisler delivered two podium presentations at the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners 44th National Conference on Pediatric Health Care.

• Stephanie Evans and Dr. Shawna Sisler presented Lethal Means Reduction: The What, Why and How of Means Reduction for the Pediatric-focused APRN.
• Dr. Shawn Sisler presented Collaborative Parent-Teen Safety Planning for Suicidal Teens.

Dr. Scott Christensen, Shaun Hansen, and Dr. Barbara Wilson presented Conceptualizing Nurse Emotions with Affective Events Theory: A Scoping Review at the Cleveland Clinic Nursing Institute’s 18th Annual Clinical Nursing Research Conference.

Dr. Djin Tay, Mia Hashibe, and Dr. Lee Ellington presented When Hope is Not Enough: The Relationship between Optimism, Mental Health and Coping among Immunotherapy Patients and Caregivers at the Data Blitz session of the 2023 Palliative Care Research Cooperative Annual Investigator Meeting.

Publications:


In the Media:

Dr. Sara Bybee presented Bot Detection and Dyadic Surveys for Data Skeptic's All About Surveys audio podcast. Dr. Bybee described how the threat of bots and individuals misrepresenting themselves in internet-mediated research pertains to her research about understanding LGBTQ couples facing cancer.

College Kudos will not be published on March 27, 2023.

Best Regards,
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