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CON Staff Engagement:

Members of the University of Utah Health Sciences Emergency Management team trained Donnie Benson, Debbie Boulter, Rafael Briones, Matthew Brixey, Lynn Dixon, Kristen Mahoney, and Steve Seckinger to use the Med Sled® to evacuate injured individuals from the College of Nursing building. These seven members of the Emergency Preparedness Committee practiced using the equipment to evacuate individuals down the stairs safely. In the future, they will provide emergency preparedness training for College of Nursing staff and faculty.
Presentation:

Dr. Erin Meyer will present a video poster titled *Autism: A Parallel Life in a Three-Dimensional Spectrum*, which was selected through a peer-reviewed, competitive process for publication on the YouTube channel 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 video stars Rachael Hamilton and will be available starting May 19, 2023.

Professional Service:

Carrie Huntsman-Jones was elected Treasurer for the Utah Chapter of the International Association of Forensic Nursing. Carrie is a Family Nurse Practitioner, and works at the RedMed Health Clinic.

Event:

The Gamma Rho Chapter of Sigma held “Springboard to Success,” an annual event for pre-licensure nursing students. Keynote speaker, Dr. Perry Gee, presented *Promoting Nurses’ Joy and Wellness*. Faculty members Dr. Rebekah Perkins and Tamara Ekker, alumni Rachelle Peltier and Jadea Hopes, and teaching assistants Abbey Hafen and Ryanne Neville offered breakout sessions, including NCLEX Review, New Registered Nurse Experience Panel, and Professional Growth and Development. Many CON faculty and staff, including Mandi Keddington, Dr. Julie Gee, Dr. Sue Chase-Cantarini, Dr. Frances Johnson, Kelly Mansfield, Dr. Rebekah Perkins, Dr. Shawna Sisler, Lisa Barry, all Gamma Rho board members, and Dean Marla De Jong planned for, hosted, and supported this successful event.

In the Media:

The Winter 2023 issue of University of Utah Magazine included an article titled *Training Utah’s Rural Nurses*, which showcases the College’s Health Resources and Services Administration-funded Nurse Education, Practice, Quality, and Retention (NEPQR) program (Project Director Dr. Linda Edelman; Program Manager Harper Vander Hoek), and Josie Moosman, a Doctor of Nursing Practice student and registered nurse who works at the Wayne Community Health Center in Bicknell, Utah. Josie’s career path and leadership in the clinic and community epitomize rural nursing in Utah. Last year, Josie was featured in *A Day in the Life of a Rural Nurse* (available on the NEPQR website), a film that highlights the importance and varied roles of registered nurses who work in rural communities. College of Nursing faculty at the University of Utah and other nursing schools in the United States now include the film in their nursing curriculum.

Publication: