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## **CWHGR Summer Institute 2006**

### **S**ummer Institute 2006: *Enhancing Research Methods: An Invitational Conference*

was a success. The institute was held September 14-16 and was filled with many informative presentations, chances for networking and even a few hours of relaxation. The attendees

included representatives from our partner institutions: University of Alaska, Anchorage; University of Hawaii, Manoa; University of Washington (UW) Bothell; UW Tacoma; Washington State University; and West Virginia University. Additional attendees included UW School of Nursing staff and faculty as well as pre- and post-doctoral scholars.



The presentations given by the UW faculty and staff as well as the presentations by the visiting faculty received positive evaluations. They included:

◇ "Nursing Leadership in the 21<sup>st</sup>

Century", Angela McBride, PhD, RN, FAAN, Dean Emerita and Distinguished Professor, School of Nursing, Indiana University

◇ "Building a Program of Research", Pamela Mitchell, PhD, RN, FAAN, Associate Dean for Research, UW School of Nursing

◇ "Dazzling the Study Section", Karen Thomas, PhD, RN, Professor, Family & Child Nursing, UW School of Nursing

◇ "Rural Challenges in Nursing Research", Clarann Weinert, SC, PhD, RN, FAAN, Montana State University School of Nursing

◇ "Biobehavioral Study Design"

◇ "Gender Disparities Research"

◇ "Gender Considerations in Genetic Research", Nancy Woods, PhD, RN, Dean, UW School of Nursing

Other speakers and session leaders also include institute personnel:

- ◇ Sybil Carrere, PhD
- ◇ Margaret Heitkemper, PhD, RN, FAAN
- ◇ Monica Jarret, PhD, RN
- ◇ Marcia Killien, PhD, RN
- ◇ Carol Landis, DNSc, RN, FAAN
- ◇ Martha Lentz, PhD, RN
- ◇ Barbara Burns McGrath, PhD, RN

The following presentations were targeted toward administrators:

- ◇ “Building in Assay Costs”, Ernie Tolentino, Lab Manager.
- ◇ “Subcontracts”, Mike Blackwell, Subcontract Administrator, UW Office of Sponsored Programs
- ◇ “Human Subjects”, Helen McGough, Director, UW Human Subjects Office
- ◇ “An OSP Administrator’s Guide to General Research procedures at UW”, Wendy Robertson, Grant & Contract Specialist, UW Office of Sponsored Programs
- ◇ “A Polite Introduction to grants.gov and 424 Forms”, Jennifer Snow, Grants Specialist, Office of Nursing Research, UW

School of Nursing.

- ◇ Panel Discussion: Grant Application Tips, Kendra Hayward, Manager, CWHGR; Merri Huffine, Administrator, Family & Child Nursing, UW SON; Mark Squire, Research Grants Manager; Jennifer Snow, Grant Specialist.



Participants commented:

*“I found the 3 days inspiring”*



*“Well organized with outstanding speakers”*

*“The content was very interesting and helpful”*

*“The expertise of the speakers was exquisite”*

*“Refreshing. I particularly enjoyed the networking”*

*“It was stunning to have so many well known experienced researchers to share insights, challenges...”*

*“It inspired me to think outside the box”*

To view video streams and

slides of the various talks, please visit: <http://www.uw-cwhr.org/sitalks.asp>

## Publications

Johnson LC, Richards TL, Archbold KH, Landis CA (2006). Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging in Nursing Research. *Biological Research for Nursing*, 8(1), 43.

## Posters and Presentations

Archbold KH, Lentz MJ, Brandt PA, Beitz L, Wallace C, Landis CA (2006). Sleep, pain and mood in children with juvenile rheumatoid arthritis. *Sleep*, 29 (supple), A263.

Archbold KH, Mahurin RK, Kapur VK, Landis CA (2006). Brain activation patterns during cognitive fMRI testing before and after CPAP treatment

for OSA. *Sleep*, 29(suppl), A377.

Archbold, KH, Mahurin RK, Kapur VK, **Landis CA** (2006). Functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) to measure brain signal changes during cognitive testing following initiation of CPAP treatment for OSA. Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science Biennial Conference, Washington, DC.



## Awards

**Dr. Margaret Heitkemper** received the inaugural Outstanding Nurse Scientist Award from the Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science (CANS), October 2006. The Outstanding Nurse Scientist Award acknowledges CANS members whose sustained programs of research have had a significant impact on nursing and healthcare knowledge development with recognizable benefit for nursing practice and health care.

**Dr. Heitkemper** was also selected by the newly established National Palliative Care Research Center to serve on its Scientific Advisory Council (SAC) for a three-year term. Composed of internationally

prominent scientists, the 10-person council will oversee the research mission and agenda of the MPCRC and give final approval for all research grants, collaborative projects and junior faculty career development awards.

**Vicky Hertig** PhD, RN received a meritorious poster award for research entitled "Relationship Between Stress and Symptoms in Women with Irritable Bowel Syndrome" at the national State of the Science Congress in Nursing Research sponsored by the Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science in Washington D.C. October 15, 2006. Co-authors on the research were Kevin Cain PhD, Monica Jarrett PhD, RN, and Margaret Heitkemper PhD, RN. Funding provided by NIH/NINR NR04101 and T32 NR07039.

## Other News

The School of Nursing Research & Intramural Funding Program (RIFP) is now accepting research proposals. This is the RIFP call for proposals for fall quarter 2006.

The RIFP proposals for the CWHGR have a maximum budget of \$12,000 per proposal. If you are a UW faculty member, please visit this site for further information:

<http://www.son.washington.edu/research/internal/RIFP/RIFP.asp>

If you are a Partner Institution faculty member, please visit

this site for further information: <http://www.uw-cwahr.org/rifp-information.asp>

The CWHGR will fund one to two proposals. For research priorities and proposal information, please visit the CWHGR web page: <http://www.uw-cwahr.org/pilot-study-goals.asp>

Some examples of past CWHGR funded RIFP proposals:

- *Yoga Treatment for Midlife Women*, Cathryn Booth-LaForce;
- *Chronic Immune Activation in Hyperimmune Responsiveness in Fibromyalgia*, Carol Landis (PI), Patricia Prinz;
- *Exploring Cardiovascular Risk in Women Who Head Single-Parent Families*, Susanna Cunningham (PI), Lynne Young;
- *Health Literacy and Latina Parents*, Frances Munet-Vilaro (PI), Barbara McGrath.
- *Development and Testing of the Revised Breastfeeding Attrition Prediction Tool*, Jill R. Janke (PI) Subcontract with University of Alaska, Anchorage.

*The proposals are due November 15, 2006 at 5:00pm. Proposals from our Partner Institutions are due two weeks in advance of the above date.*



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