



### Greetings IACRN Members!

Our annual conference is just around the corner!!

"Mapping the Future of Clinical Research Nursing," will be held at the NIH Clinical Center in Bethesda November 16th-18th.

In addition to our two Keynote speakers, we have the pleasure of a third guest speaker on Friday, Patricia King, JD. Ms. King was a member of the 1979 National Commission that produced the Belmont Report. Ms. King is an expert in bioethics and human subject protection. For more information, see below.

Our keynote speakers this year are Barbara Turner DNSc, FAAN Professor and Chair of the Doctor of Nursing Practice Program at Duke University. Dr. Turner will be opening our meeting and provide a thoughtful presentation on, Moving forward as CRN leaders & scientists: Are we on the right track? Dr. Jean Jenkins, RN, PhD who serves as the Senior Clinical Advisor to the Director at the National Human Genome Research Institute at the NIH will kick off our second conference day with her presentation on, What does it mean to be a nurse that is competent in genetics and genomics?

Poster abstracts can be submitted up until September 15th! These fantastic posters are inspirational and have created ideas for collaboration, new projects, and helped others validate practices. They demonstrate local achievements of clinical research nurses & the positive impact they are making in the lives of human subjects, researchers, and their colleagues, as well as the institutions and communities they represent. We all take something home thanks to these innovative thinkers and doers!! I urge everyone to submit and share with our membership in November!

Our last two annual conferences have been outstanding and this year will be no different! There is no better venue to share best practices and collaborate with colleagues that experience the same challenges & rewards. Please forward this newsletter to your colleagues! IACRN needs your help in spreading the word about our specialty organization that supports your unique and valuable contribution to clinical research and patient safety.

Your participation in our organization validates the importance of collaboration for all clinical research nurses. IACRN is the ideal platform for clinical research nurses to share best practices, standardize education and core competencies that will enhance our unique practice and bring benefits to the investigators, the human subjects, and the research process we support!

You should not miss this conference! Visit our website to register for the conference and please book your hotel room early to ensure the IACRN group rate!

Regards,

Nicole Mullen, RN, MSN  
President, IACRN

## Nominations Committee

The Nominations Committee has been appointed by the Board of Directors. Committee members are listed below:

- Jennifer Allison, Wellcome Trust Clinical Research Facility, Southampton, UK
- Rachael Baker, Cincinnati Childrens Hospital
- Dixie Ecklund, University of Iowa (Chairperson - appointed by the BOD)
- Priscilla Johnson, Morehouse School of Medicine
- Joe Ann Sheppard, University of California, Davis

The Committee is charged with requesting and vetting nominations to present to the Board of Directors. Those positions that will be newly nominated this year are: President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer-Elect, and Member at Large.

The Committee will hold a teleconference in September to discuss strategy and then initiate a request for nominations through the IACRN website. All nominees will be vetted through a review/interview process and presented to the Board. Voting will take place in the early part of November so that new officers will be introduced at the annual conference in November and ready to start their positions in January.

## Featured Guest Speaker: Patricia King, JD Friday, Nov. 18th

IACRN welcomes MS Patricia King, JD as our Featured Guest Speaker.

In 1979 The National Commission for the protection of Human Subjects of Biomedical and Behavioral Research published the Belmont Report. The Belmont report shaped the ethical principles that formed the foundation of human subject protection, as we know them today. Patricia King, J.D. was a member of that Commission.

Ms. King will present her prospective and insight into the Belmont Report and how the regulatory environment at that time influenced this report.

As you all know, this year the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is proposing changes to the common rule. "Although the regulation has been amended over the years, they have not kept pace with the evolving human research enterprise, the proliferation of multi-site clinical trails, and observational studies, the expansion of health services research, research in the social and behavioral sciences, and research involving databases, the internet, and biological specimen repositories,

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and the use of advanced technologies, such as genomics." These proposed changes are another milestone in the history of human research protections.

Ms. King is currently a full time faculty member at Georgetown University. Her expertise is in the study of law, medicine, ethics and public policy. In addition to her work on the Belmont Report, her work in the field of bioethics has included service on the HEW-Advisory Recombinant DNA advisory Committee, the President's Commission for the Study of Ethical Problems in Medicine and Biomedical and Behavioral Research, The Ethics, Legal and Social Issues Working Group of the Human Genome Project.

Ms. King's expertise and insight into Human Subjects Protections will be thought provoking and timely as we once again consider major changes to the common rule that shapes the way we interact and protect human subjects. Come engage with Ms. King at this year's IACRN annual conference and feel part of the history of clinical research.

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### **3rd Annual IACRN Meeting "Mapping The Future of Clinical Research Nursing"**

SAVE THE DATE  
**November 16 -18, 2011**  
Bethesda, MD

#### THREE EASY WAYS TO REGISTER

Registration is open now! Check the IACRN web site home page, [www.iacrn.org](http://www.iacrn.org). Quick and easy registration is just a click away - Find the Join Now, and Register buttons on the home page. Registration is limited. We recommend you register early.

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Thank you for being an IACRN member. Your support helps to promote excellence in the nursing management of research participants through research, education, collaboration, and dissemination of best practices.

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