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Upcoming Webinars

May 24, 2017

June 28, 2017

[IACRN 9th Annual Conference](#)

October 18-20, 2017

Job Postings

[Click here](#) to view the Job Opportunities posted on the members only resources section of the website.

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Membership Update

Welcome New Members

Michelle Acker - Baylor Scott & White Research Institute
Ana Ayala - MD Anderson Cancer Center
Kelly Beer - NIHR Cambridge BioResource
Tanisha Davis - MD Anderson Cancer Center
Patricia Gilleaudeau - Rockefeller University
Alessandra Hubbell - Oncology Hematology Care
Allison Hyde - Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
Chantal Kayitesi - MGH Translational and Clinical Research Centers
Janet King - University of Florida - CTSI - CRC
Dana Kontras - Mayo Clinic
Holly Morris - North Florida Foundation for Research and Education
Susan Neel - MD Anderson Cancer Center
Marian Colette O Rourke - Rockefeller University
Eileen Regan - University of Massachusetts
Madison Smith - University of Florida
Naoko So - Japanese Foundation for Cancer Research Cancer Institute Hospital
Wei Yue - Rockefeller University Hospital

Total Active Members to Date = 289

Membership Survey

A survey will be released this month to all members to help the Marketing Committee establish what our members want to see via the website, In the Loop, Facebook, etc. We look forward to hearing from all of you!

Committee News

Purpose: The IACRN Research Committee's purpose is to define and measure clinical research nursing sensitive outcomes in the clinical research process and to demonstrate the impact of clinical research nursing practice. The Research Committee's ongoing research strives to expand the current evidence base validating the specialty practice of clinical research nursing. The Committee also provides a review of all requests for access to the IACRN membership to ensure that the requests are in alignment with the mission, vision, and research agenda of IACRN.

Committee Leadership:

Chair: Kathryn Hall, MS, ANP-BC, NE-BC

Co-Chair: Rosemary Keller, PhD, CRNP

Facilitator: Catherine Griffith, PhD, RN

Committee Members:

Joy Bailey, PhD, RN

Candi Barlow, MSN, RN

Shaunagh Browning, RN, FNP-BC

Amy Copeland, MSN, RN, CNS

Georgie Cusack, MS, RN, AOCNS

Michele Downing, RN, MSN, CNL

Cheryl Fisher, EdD, RN

Kathy Grinke, MSN, RN, CRN

Penny Jester, MPH, BSN

Carolynn Thomas Jones, DNP, MSPH, RN

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Elyce Turba, MSN, RN, OCN

Vickie Turbini, RN, MSN

Research Committee Initiatives

The IACRN Research Committee was initially established under the leadership of Clare Hastings, PhD, RN, FAAN and Cheryl Fisher, EdD, RN. After establishing a committee infrastructure and a set of standard operating procedures, the group initiated the real work of the committee - that of contributing to an evidence base to validate the impact and value of clinical research nursing practice.

The outcomes of the Research Committee 2014 Pre-Conference: Developing Outcome Measures to Document Contributions of the Clinical Research Nurse, provided the basis for a major Research Committee initiative: *A Retrospective Pilot Study Comparing Data from Monitoring Reports to Identify Staffing Influence on Protocol Deviation Rates*. This pilot study, completed in 2016, reviewed monitoring reports from sites that had solely RN study coordinators and those with non-licensed, non-RN study coordinators to compare deviation rates related to informed consent, endpoints, eligibility and adverse events. This project is in manuscript phase.

Building on previous work conducted at NIH Clinical Center, this year the Research Committee will complete the study: *Extending the Description of the Clinical Research Nursing Workforce*. The project is aimed to capture as much information as is possible about the international reach of clinical research nurses, who we are, where we work, and what we do.

Outcomes of the Research Committee 2016 Pre-Conference: *Generating Clinical Research Nurse Priorities Consistent with IACRN's Mission, Vision, and Strategic Plan Using Nominal*

Group Technique, provided a comprehensive view of how the attendees viewed the important issues for IACRN leadership to address.

Research Committee Moving Forward:

To continue our work for contributing to the evidence base to validate the impact and value of clinical research nursing practice, we are fostering collaboration among IACRN member sites to track common metrics and other CRN sensitive indicators. We are always open to new ideas for leading the way to showing the value of having CRNs involved in the research process. If you have creative ideas or new ideas that you would like to share with the committee, please feel free to contact us at cgriffith.iacrn@gmail.com. We are always looking for new committee members also. If you are interested in joining the Research Committee, please complete the [Volunteer Application Form](#).

Earn a Free IACRN Membership

IACRN has a program that enables members to earn a complimentary membership each year. Simply speak with your friends and colleagues and recruit them! If five people join IACRN between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017, and list you as their referral source on their membership application, your membership for the following year will be free! You may never have to pay membership dues again. Don't miss out on this fabulous opportunity.

Grab a Member and Go!

How would you like to earn a free conference registration?

Due to the success in previous years, we are expanding our 2017 membership campaign, Grab a Member and GO! Beginning March 1st through September 15th, for each new or reinstated* member that you refer to IACRN, you will earn a chance to win a free conference registration for the IACRN 9th Annual Conference (or equivalent prize) to be held in Providence, Rhode Island October 18-20, 2017! The drawing will be held on September 18th. So, Grab a Member and Go!

By tapping into your network of colleagues and recruiting them to become members of IACRN you are contributing to the development and growth of our organization. Membership and growth are vital components of a healthy association and multiply our efforts to produce meaningful membership benefits. Growing IACRN means more resources and support for our members and a larger network of professionals dedicated to clinical research nursing. Simply ensure that the individuals that you refer to IACRN provide your name on their membership application when joining so that you can receive credit for your efforts. Each new member application and reinstated member* application received with your name as the referring member between March 1st and September 15th, 2017 will earn you an entry into the drawing. Please keep talking to your colleagues about IACRN!

**Reinstated members are defined as members who have not been active since December 2015 or earlier.*

Recent Publications from IACRN Members Highlighting Clinical Research

Ness, Elizabeth A & Royce, Cheryl(2017). Clinical trials and the role of the oncology clinical trials nurse. *Nursing Clinics of North American* 52, 133-148.

If you would like to recognize a colleague or be recognized for a recent presentation or publication on Clinical Research Nursing, please send the information to georgie.cusack@nih.gov.

Publication Deadlines

Members are invited to submit content to be included in the *In the Loop*! Samples of information include: news about you or your program, committee initiatives, networking opportunities, and presentations or publications that promote and raise awareness of Clinical Research.

Please send submissions to Mary Jackson at jacksonmj@nhlbi.nih.gov or Cameron Sze at cameron_sze@dfci.harvard.edu by the deadlines listed below.

The "Deadline for Submission" is the last date material can be received to be included in the *In the Loop* issue identified in the "Publication Date" column.

Deadline for Submission	Publication Date
May 24, 2017	June 2, 2017
June 30, 2017	July 7, 2017
July 28, 2017	August 4, 2017
August 25, 2017	September 1, 2017
September 29, 2017	October 6, 2017
October 27, 2017	November 3, 2017
November 22, 2017	December 1, 2017
December 22, 2017	January 5, 2018



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