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A message from THE FNINR PRESIDENT



On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Friends of the National Institute of Nursing Research, I welcome each of you to the 2007 NightinGala. Your presence supports our work to provide resources that further the mission of the National Institute of Nursing Research and that raise public awareness of the contributions of nurse scientists to the health and well being of our Nation's people.

The 2007 NightinGala is a special tribute to advances in nursing science made by members of our Federal nursing services. It is an honor to recognize nurses from the military nurse corps of the Army, Navy and Air Force, the Public Health Service, and those of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Nursing has a long history of service to our country. You will hear about the many dedicated Federal nurses who serve our citizens and our profession. Tonight's program will feature "Nursing Research: On the Front Lines." We will highlight advances in nursing research that emanate from practice settings across the globe and here at home, where contemporary challenges of nursing care inform the future of our national research agenda.

I am pleased that Major General Gale S. Pollock, Chief of the Army Nurse Corps and acting Surgeon General of the United States Army, is with us tonight to deliver the keynote address. Major General Pollock has a unique appreciation of the accomplishments of nurses in our Federal services that extend the portfolio of accomplishments made by all of our Nation's talented nurse scientists.

The Friends of the National Institute of Nursing Research NightinGala is always an evening of acknowledgement and gratitude. Each year, we recognize extraordinary nurse researchers through the Ada Sue Hinshaw and Pathfinder awards for excellence. On behalf of the Board of FNINR, I wish to congratulate these award winners. I also wish to express my deepest gratitude to our men and women in Federal service for their dedication to the profession of nursing and to our country. Thank you to my fellow board members for their commitment to this wonderful organization. This annual event would not be possible without their willingness to volunteer both expertise and time.

Finally, I thank each of you for being here and for your ongoing support of the Friends of the National Institute of Nursing Research. Your generosity makes this organization successful and provides opportunities for nurse scientists to develop new knowledge, and ultimately, improve the lives of the patients we care for.

KAREN L. MILLER, PhD, RN, FAAN
President

A message from THE NINR DIRECTOR



Our Nation is currently experiencing a convergence of factors that, while presenting many challenges for our health care system, offer nursing research the chance to expand the already substantial impact it has made on the health of the public. The population as a whole is aging, increasing the need for new knowledge on managing both the normal aging process and the long-term impact of chronic illnesses. At the same time, we are becoming a more diverse Nation, requiring us to have greater multi-cultural knowledge and sensitivities.

Other changes are occurring within public health that will affect our entire thinking about patient care. There has been a shift in emphasis from treatment to prevention and from acute illness to chronic conditions. There is an increasing reliance on technology in health care delivery, and a renewed call to translate successful research into clinical practice. In addition, our Nation currently faces a shortage of nurses and nursing faculty, an issue with serious implications for the quality of the health care we provide and for the development of future nurses and nurse scientists.

All of these factors are undoubtedly challenges, but confronting these issues plays to the inherent strengths of nursing research. In the more than twenty years since its inception, NINR has built a dynamic, vital, and productive community of investigators true in their dedication to conducting rigorous research that establishes the scientific basis of patient care. We have trained a generation of new researchers who continue to advance nursing science while also serving as nursing faculty, expanding the capacity to bring new students into the profession. We have also created the infrastructure that will continue to expand new research opportunities well into the future.

The Director of the National Institutes of Health has called for a new era of predictive, pre-emptive, and personalized health care. As we embark on this journey, I look ahead with great expectations at what we can accomplish. The time is right for NINR leadership in addressing some of the most important health care issues facing our society. For NINR, and for all of nursing science, the possibilities are endless.

I want to take this opportunity to once again thank you for your support of NINR and for the important role you play in advancing science through research. It is the dedication, innovative thinking, and cooperation among NINR-supported scientists that are the keys that will open the doors to future discovery.

PATRICIA A. GRADY, PhD, RN, FAAN
Director, NINR

The PROGRAM

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Karen L. Miller, PhD, RN, FAAN

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Keynote Address

Major General Gale S. Pollock, CRNA, FACHE
Acting Army Surgeon General
Commander, U.S. Army Medical Command
Chief, Army Nurse Corps

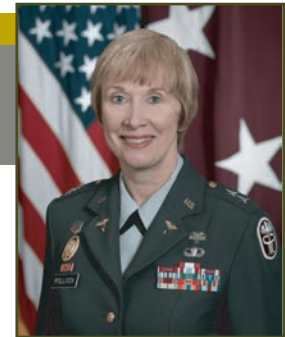
Closing Remarks

Karen L. Miller, PhD, RN, FAAN

Speaker BIOGRAPHY

Major General Gale S. Pollock, CRNA, FACHE

MG Gale S. Pollock was appointed the Acting Army Surgeon General and Commander of the U. S. Army Medical Command in March 2007. She also serves as the Chief of the Army Nurse Corps.



MG Pollock received a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from the University of Maryland. She attended the U.S. Army Nurse Anesthesia Program and is a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist. She received her Master of Business Administration from Boston University, a Master's in Healthcare Administration from Baylor University, a Master's in National Security and Strategy from the National Defense University, and an honorary Doctorate of Public Service from the University of Maryland. She is also a Fellow in The American College of Healthcare Executives.

MG Pollock's military education includes the Department of Defense CAPSTONE Program, the Senior Service College at the Industrial College of the Armed Forces, the U.S. Air Force War College, the Interagency Institute for Federal Health Care Executives, the Military Health System CAPSTONE Program, the Principles of Advanced Nurse Administrators, and the NATO Staff Officer Course.

Her past military assignments include Commanding General, Tripler Army Medical Center, Pacific Regional Medical Command, United States Army Pacific Surgeon and Lead Agent, TRICARE Pacific, Honolulu, Hawaii; Special Assistant to the Surgeon General for Information Management and Health Policy; Commander, Martin Army Community Hospital, Fort Benning, Ga.; Commander, U.S. Army Medical Activity, Fort Drum, N.Y.; Staff Officer, Strategic Initiatives Command Group for the Army Surgeon General; Department of Defense Healthcare Advisor to the Congressional Commission on Service Members and Veterans Transition Assistance; Health Fitness Advisor at the National Defense University; Senior Policy Analyst in Health Affairs, DoD; and Chief, Anesthesia Nursing Service at Walter Reed Army Medical Center, Washington, D.C.

MG Pollock's awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit (with 2 oak leaf clusters), the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (with 4 oak leaf clusters), the Joint Service Commendation Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, and the Army Achievement Medal. She earned the coveted Expert Field Medical Badge, and proudly wears the Parachutist Badge. She received the Army Staff Identification Badge for her work at the Pentagon and earned the German Armed Forces Military Efficiency Badge "Leistungsbzeichen" in gold.

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Ada Sue Hinshaw RESEARCH GRANT



The Ada Sue Hinshaw Research Grant is funded by FNINR in honor of Ada Sue Hinshaw, PhD, RN, FANN, the first permanent Director of the National Institute of Nursing Research. This award is an unrestricted grant to support the work of a promising and accomplished nurse researcher. The Ada Sue Hinshaw Research Grant focuses attention on the significance of nursing research and the contributions made by nurse scientists that improve health care.

Shirley Moore, PhD, RN, FAAN

The 2007 Ada Sue Hinshaw Research Grant is bestowed upon a researcher whose work has already contributed to recovery and lifestyle change after cardiac events with a special emphasis on testing technology-assisted care in the home. Dr. Shirley Moore is the Edward J. and Louise Mellen Professor of Nursing and Associate Dean for Research at the Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing, Case Western Reserve University.

Dr. Moore's research focuses on biobehavioral interventions to facilitate recovery and lifestyle change following acute cardiac events. In a series of studies, she has developed and tested interventions to facilitate early home recovery after cardiac surgery. Her work includes nontraditional, cost-effective approaches using telehealth technology. This work is inherently interdisciplinary in nature, involving exercise physiologists, physicians, systems engineers, economists, psychologists, social workers and statisticians.

Dr. Moore's research contributions have already led to changes in distance home care of cardiac patients and the development of new models of cardiac rehabilitation. Her work with developing scientists has challenged the notion that a single paradigm of cardiac rehabilitation will meet everyone's needs. Focus on less studied populations, including women, elders, and African Americans with cardiac disease has prompted study of culturally sensitive interventions that include African Americans as co-designers of an electronic home care support intervention. Her work with women has modified assumptions about generalizability of data about cardiovascular health behavior change in men to women. Dr. Moore's research has led to her recognition by the Institute of Medicine and the American College of Graduate Medical Education to share newly-developed models of care. Dr. Moore has recently received a P30 Center grant from the National Institute of Nursing Research to establish a Center of Excellence in Self-Management Research.

Pathfinder Distinguished Service A W A R D S

The Pathfinder Distinguished Service Award is given by FNINR to acknowledge nurse researchers whose work has focused on advancing deep understanding of human health and healthcare and has been sustained by multiple grants from NINR/NCNR. In 2007, FNINR recognizes two nurse researchers whose body of scholarship illustrates long-standing commitment to nursing research that has made a difference in the lives of people with healthcare needs.



Jacqueline M. Dunbar-Jacob, PhD, RN, FAAN

Dr. Jacqueline Dunbar-Jacob is Dean of the School of Nursing at the University of Pittsburgh where she is Professor of Nursing, Epidemiology, Psychology and Occupational Therapy and Director, Center for Research in Chronic Disorders.

For over 20 years Dr. Dunbar-Jacob has contributed to the understanding of patients' adherence to their treatment regimens. She has focused research on adherence on people living with multiple chronic illnesses, among them rheumatoid arthritis and hyperlipidemia. Her work has helped forge an understanding of adherence, revealing that adherence to treatment among persons with chronic disorders is associated with clinical outcomes. The elements of Dr. Dunbar-Jacob's research program have yielded information that directly influences the care of people with chronic illness who often require multiple medications and complex regimens. In addition, her research has influenced the conduct of clinical trials to enhance adherence to the agent being studied.

Dr. Dunbar-Jacob has served in multiple leadership roles, including the recent appointment as Co-Director of the Community Partners Core of the University of Pittsburgh Clinical and Translational Science Institute funded by NIH. She has been influential in the development of nursing research in the US, having chaired NIH workshops on quality of life and methodological issues in studying adherence. She is currently a member of the Governing Council of the American Academy of Nursing. She has served as president of the Academy of Behavioral Medicine Research, past president of the Society for Behavioral Medicine, and past board member of the Society for Clinical Trials as well as a member of the National Advisory Council for Nursing Research, NIH.

Pathfinder Distinguished Service A W A R D S

Pamela H. Mitchell, PhD, FAAN, FANA

Dr. Pamela H. Mitchell, currently Associate Dean for Research at the University of Washington. Dr. Mitchell is also holder of the Elizabeth Sterling Soule Endowed Professorship and Professor of Biobehavioral Nursing.



For over 35 years, Dr. Mitchell has conducted a program of research aimed at improving recovery from brain injury through nursing surveillance and psychosocial interventions. Her program “marries” clinical and health services/care systems research and has a long history of interdisciplinary involvement. Dr. Mitchell conducted the first nursing investigation of the impact of nursing care on intracranial pressure responses and has proceeded with clinical trials of nursing applications of technology designed to produce a highly visible display of cerebral perfusion pressure to aid clinicians in surveillance of the physiologic status of adults with critical brain injury. The outcome of her work includes leading to a significant reduction in mortality during hospitalization and a significant improvement in longer term functional outcomes among those most severely injured compared to those patients monitored with the usual bedside display.

Dr. Mitchell has also studied the introduction of a nurse-managed psychosocial/behavioral intervention as an adjunct to antidepressants for ischemic stroke survivors with depression and led research on patient outcomes in relation to variations in organizational care delivery in crucial care sites, studying how the environment of care influences the outcomes of specific interventions. Her work has been influential in moving nursing sensitive outcomes measures and nurse experts into the National Quality Forum specification of measures for health care organizations.

Finally, Dr. Mitchell continues to contribute to the career development of the next generation of clinical investigators as director of the Biobehavioral Nursing Research Training Program and as Principle Investigator for one of the 10 NIH Roadmap multidisciplinary predoctoral clinical research training programs, the only nurse scientist to head a grant in this Roadmap initiative.

National Institute of Nursing Research

The National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR) was established as a Center at the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and as an Institute in 1993. This placement among the 27 Institutes and Centers within the NIH has added a new scientific perspective to enrich the Nation's biomedical and behavioral research endeavors.

NINR's mission is to promote and improve the health of individuals, families, communities, and populations. The mission is accomplished through support of research in scientific areas such as chronic and acute diseases, health promotion and maintenance, symptom management, health disparities, caregiving, self-management, and the end of life. NINR also supports the training of new investigators who bring new ideas and help to further expand research programs. The ultimate goal of NINR's research is its dissemination into clinical practice and into the daily lives of individuals and families.

Friends of the National Institute of Nursing Research

Friends of the National Institute of Nursing Research (FNINR) is an independent, non-profit organization founded in 1993. FNINR's mission is to provide resources to support nursing research and advance the mission of the NINR. The Friends seek to support research-based nursing practice by educating nursing professionals and the public about the advances made through nursing research and its benefits to patients, families, the community and the delivery of health care.

Nurse researchers are grounded in clinical nursing practice and focused on the physical, mental, emotional and social needs of patients. They recognize illness and the presence of health risk factors affecting the overall well-being of individuals.

The health care community faces new challenges and opportunities to improve patient care each year. With the continuing leadership provided by NINR and the support of FNINR, nurse researchers will continue to contribute to the enhanced health and well-being of all Americans, especially in a time when cost-effectiveness and quality of care are equally championed by the public and the Nation's decision makers.

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