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ANCC Board Certified Nurses IN THE NEWS

ANCC Nurses Named as Fellows at the Office of the US Surgeon General

Mary Beth Bigley, DrPH, MSN, APRN,BC and Catherine L. Wisner, PhD, APRN,BC, have been named as Nurse Practitioner Healthcare Foundation Fellows, serving in the Office of the US Surgeon General.

Cathy, who is certified by ANCC as an Adult Nurse Practitioner, served previously as vice president of clinical quality for MinuteClinic, Inc. Mary, who is certified by ANCC as a Family Nurse Practitioner was director of the nurse practitioner program at George Washington University Department of Nursing Education, prior to the fellowship.

We salute these distinguished nurses for their continuing dedication and contribution to the development of health care and the nursing profession. We congratulate them on being recognized with this prestigious fellowship, where they will have the opportunity to be mentored directly by the Acting Surgeon General of the United States, Rear Admiral Kenneth P. Moritsugu, MD, MPH.

ANCC Public/Community Health Nurse Recognized for Creative Achievement

Marylyn Morris McEwen, PhD, APRN,BC, has been awarded the 2006 Public Health Nurse Creative Achievement Award, by The Public Health Nursing Section of the American Public Health Association, for her innovative efforts to improve health care and public health nursing along the US-Mexican border.

For sixteen years, Marylyn has worked as co-investigator for Nuestra Comunidad, Nuestra Salud (NCNS), a training project that develops creative learning opportunities for hundreds of multi-disciplinary health care professionals focused on border health care issues.

Please join us in congratulating Marylyn on her recognition for her innovative contributions to public health nursing and improved standards of care for underserved patients on both sides of the border.

ANCC Pediatric NP Named Oncology Nurse of the Year

Melissa Silva Willis, MS, APRN,BC, who is board certified by ANCC as a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner has been named the 2007 Hematology/Oncology Nurse of the Year by the National Capital Area Chapter of the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Melissa works at the Children's National Medical Center in Washington, DC. The award recognizes Melissa for outstanding practice in caring for patients with blood cancers.

Congratulations Melissa and kudos to you for your exemplary leadership in delivering high standards of patient care.

ANCC Certified Acute Care Nurse Practitioner joins Memorial Hospital

Steve Andrews, RN, MSN, ACNP recently joined Memorial Hospital, in Easton, Maryland. He has the distinction of being the first Acute Care Nurse Practitioner in the Memorial Hospital Emergency Department. Steve is an example of the growing role that Acute Care Nurse practitioners are playing in health care facilities across the nation. The Acute Care NP certification has only been around for just 11 years, and is already becoming an integral specialty within advanced nursing practice. We know Steve is going to make a significant contribution in his new position, and contribute to the expansion of the Acute Care NP specialty as a key role in across a range of health care settings.

ANCC-Certified FNP gets Front-Page Treatment from Washington Post

Anne Pohnert, APRN,BC, who is board certified by ANCC as a Family Nurse Practitioner, made the front page of The Washington Post Health Section on January 16, 2007. Anne, who is employed by MinuteClinic in Potomac, MD was featured in a Post article on the growing phenomenon of NP-staffed clinics around the nation.

In a full-color front-page photo, Anne exemplified the professionalism, care and service that ANCC-certified nurse practitioners have been providing for over 30 years. We are proud of you Anne!