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| **IACRN Newsletter** | **October 2011** |

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| **Please be sure to join your Clinical Research Nurse Colleagues for our 3rd Annual IACRN Conference!**Dear Colleagues, It seems like yesterday when Shaunagh Browning and I spoke about forming a new professional group of clinical research nurses. We had experienced tremendous benefits in our professional collaboration with the GCRC Nurse Managers Association but recognized the great need to countless other clinical research nurses to have a central place to network, collaborate and share best practices.   IACRN was created to give all research nurses an opportunity to learn and grow in this emerging new specialty practice. Forming this new organization has been extremely challenging, educational, and rewarding, and it could not have been done without the help of some very dedicated colleagues:  Susan Peterson, Mary Jane Williams, Margaret McCabe, Madelene Ottosen, and Joyce Oglesby. I would like to thank them personally for all the time and expertise they brought to establishing the building blocks of IACRN. Creating, maintaining, and growing a professional nursing organization requires a great deal of enthusiasm and dedication. Despite the many geographical, financial, and time constraints, we are making great progress towards our mission.  We will be embarking on our first elections this year.  With the arrival of new board members in 2012, I am confident the new leadership will make broad strides in our organizational development!  I wish to thank all of you for your patience, loyalty, and enthusiasm to this organization. We need your expertise to keep this organization growing so I challenge you to continue to commit to active participation in IACRN and the future of clinical research nursing.I look forward to seeing you all at this year's meeting and look forward to being a part of this organization for many years to come! Best, NicoleNicole Mullen, RN, MSN President, IACRN |

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| **Recent Pod Cast for NIH Radio with our President-Elect Shaunagh Browning & Dr. Clare Hastings, CNO, NIH Clinical Center.**

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| Browning and Hastings |
| Clare Hastings and Shaunagh Brownin |

Please click on the image link below to hear the IACRN Pod Cast.

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| **Quotes fro 2010 Conference Evaluations**"LOVED being with research nurse professionals who understand and respect the profession. This is the first conference that I have ever attended (been a research nurse for 15 years) that was specifically geared for my profession and not just an Ethics or GCP slid in somewhere in the middle.""Our groups felt like we met other organizations that are facing similar challenges in defining what clinical research nurses do and how to ensure that our skills/talents are recognized and utilized." |

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| **2011 Conference Highlights** |  |

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| We are highlighting different aspects of our 3rd Conference in our IACRN Newsletters. This time we are highlighting some of the Clinical content from our agenda. Please go to our website to view the agenda at anytime. [www.iacrn.org](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?llr=srixpbdab&et=1108020630871&s=7009&e=001Yq1RjGaNvz-k9bR6KstVKMUtkIEAfWXeOBCHgDmbx4RD3qCbriiOYEl8WKvxmNLjLkW-c94xcJwl6lTS-SZ3XEqtAQnReh4siD587s6vGZY=" \t "_blank).**Breakout Session** Clinical Areas of Expertise* Use of Stem Cells in Clinical Research for Stroke and Cardiac Surgery Patients
* Best Practices for Maintaining IV access for serial blood draws while reducing hemolysis
* Building the Evidence Base for Clinical Research

**Plenary Session*** The Patient's Voice in Clinical Trials: patientslikem®
* Speaker Sally Okun, RN, MMHS
* Come and hear the fascinating story behind Patientslikeme®

**Podium Session**Clinical Areas of Expertise* Implementation of New Phase I and II therapies using biological agents
* Advanced practice nurses in clinical research roles and opportunities
* Scope and standards of the clinical trial nurse

**Continuing Education**This activity has been submitted to the Maryland Nurses Association for approval to award contact hours.  The Maryland Nurses Association is accredited as an approver of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. |

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| **Education Committee Corner** |  |

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| **Exciting News For Members Only!**The Education Committee developed two online educational presentations for the IACRN membership.  We invite you to visit our webpage under the "members only" section of the IACRN website to find these offerings.  Coming in September, look for two new offerings to be posted! **Title: Developing and Presenting Posters****Target Audience:** Members who wish to develop and present scientific posters.**Objectives:** * Identify the use of posters as a visual communication tool that disseminates information to large group of people
* Identify an overview of advantages, purpose, design and content for posters for scientific sessions.
* Apply best practices for poster presentations and tips for success
* Apply a PowerPoint template for an easy method of poster development and printing

**Title: Update: 21 CFR PART 312; FDA Safety Reporting Requirements for INDs****Target Audience:**  Members involved in safety reporting to a sponsor or the FDA under FDA's Investigational New Drug (IND) regulationsObjectives:* Define suspected adverse reaction (SAR).
* List the four types of events/findings that constitute an IND safety report.
* Determine the time frame for IND safety reporting.
* Identify the time frame for reporting an unexpected fatal or life- threatening SAR.

At this point we are unable to grant continuing education credits for these offerings, but feel the content will be valuable to you in your research nurse role. At the end of each of these slide presentations is a certificate acknowledging completion of the educational offering and a link to an evaluation. We look forward to your feedback and hope you enjoy the material. Should you have any questions or suggestions for educational offerings please contact the Committee Chair, Liza Behrens RN, MSN, CCRC at PH: 570-808-3451; Email: LLBehrens@geisinger.edu  or Co-Chair, Elizabeth Ness, RN, MS at PH: 301-451-2179 Email:   nesse@mail.nih.gov.  |

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| **3rd Annual IACRN Meeting****"Mapping The Future of Clinical Research Nursing"****November 16 -18, 2011**Bethesda, MD THREE EASY WAYS TO REGISTERRegistration is open now! Check the IACRN web site home page, [www.iacrn.org.](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?llr=srixpbdab&et=1108020630871&s=7009&e=001Yq1RjGaNvz_VgOjJCCamCvAdXqPKtfeo47VRjoHoGB7SLHfRf54Zihvgw8oShPYQmsuxIRVfrKjFGv0lLwB09z50a2k50GUCW-mY-efIZb0=" \t "_blank) 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. Online:      [www.iacrn.org](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?llr=srixpbdab&et=1108020630871&s=7009&e=001Yq1RjGaNvz_VgOjJCCamCvAdXqPKtfeo47VRjoHoGB7SLHfRf54Zihvgw8oShPYQmsuxIRVfrKjFGv0lLwB09z50a2k50GUCW-mY-efIZb0=) Phone:      Direct (503) 635-4761                 (866) 924-7929Fax:          (404) 795-0711    Mail:         IACRN        333 South State Street, Suite V324        Lake Oswego, OR 97034 ACCOMMODATIONS & HOTEL RESERVATIONS The Doubletree Hotel Bethesda is SOLD OUT.  We have rooms available at a rate of $183.00 per night just 4 blocks away from the Doubletree at the Hilton Garden Inn (7301 Waverly Street, Bethesda, MD 20814). To make a room reservation, please call  877-782-9444 (877-STAY-HGI) and let them know that you are attending the "IACRN Conference" to receive the conference rate.  TheHilton Garden Inn is a new hotel conveniently located 1 block away from the Bethesda Metrorail Red Line. The easiest way to get the conference would be to take the Metrorail Red Line only 1 stop to "Medical Center" which is directly in front of the NIH entrance. If you have any questions or need assistance, please call or email us at Well-Assembled Meetings - 503-635-4761, registrations@wellassembled.com.http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/common/media/images/shim.gif

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| **3rd Annual Meeting**IACRN Conference PhotoLearn more about the3rd AnnualIACRN MeetingVisit our web site[www.iacrn.org](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?llr=srixpbdab&et=1108020630871&s=7009&e=001Yq1RjGaNvz_VgOjJCCamCvAdXqPKtfeo47VRjoHoGB7SLHfRf54Zihvgw8oShPYQmsuxIRVfrKjFGv0lLwB09z50a2k50GUCW-mY-efIZb0=)or our [facebook](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?llr=srixpbdab&et=1108020630871&s=7009&e=001Yq1RjGaNvz_QOVn2cMMi39gKcmXEYcIYskR5i2U4EcG-LjLZYK80CYGNrT-QeX-rvAzYGxD0xc2d4aNBViYCCWhlRyGjdA7sbFfQO7rPFLslF2rUZJqBIpOdeZ3GhPQ6rs-NGanJEsMcIdOIzE621DnZGmgR8am6c9cyKf_wiuqexAoPeDE_NUYXl3EpJMpxhInUS5UbSA04MYDvTN7JlJLnPvwVie8yQKUpqXA5qes=) pageFind us on Facebook  Send to a Colleague  |

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| **Nominations Committee** |
| Our Nominations Committee needs you!  Are you thinking you might be interested in serving on the Board of Directors in an officer position, but just aren't sure . . . . . We thought some sage words from our outgoing Secretary, Mary Jane Williams, might get some folks to thinking about what a great experience awaits them. "Serving on the Board of Directors for IACRN has provided an opportunity to work with highly engaged and motivated individuals on a broad spectrum of topics related to the practice of Clinical Research Nursing (CRN). It is both an exciting and critical time in the development of our specialized practice. The experience has offered an opportunity to be at the front line of defining the practice and instrumental in developing recourses to serve CRNs. I encourage others who have an interest in leadership to step forward and share their skill in moving the practice of CRN forward. The opportunity to network with a quality professional community of nurses who share similar interests and experiences has been especially meaningful.  I look forward to our continued work together and celebrating our accomplishments."  |

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| **Thank You** |
| 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.   Susan Peterson, RN, MBAIACRN Treasurer, 2011 Meeting Chair503-494-6227petersos@ohsu.edu |

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