

The monthly information and organizational update for IACRN members.

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Membership Question:

The IACRN Conference Planning Committee is considering hosting the 2016 Annual Conference in Orlando, Florida. The Conference would be at a Disney property and the room rate would be \$129.00 per night.

Would you be likely to attend a Conference in this vicinity?

Please log onto the website at www.iacrn.org and post your responses on the discussion board.

Announcing our 7th Annual Conference Endnote Speaker

Clinical Research Nurses speak up when appropriate to question healthcare practices and research activities when a research participant's safety, or the quality of the study is in jeopardy. This year we have an Endnote speaker who will address this important role for clinical research nurses. We are honored to have....

Jocelyn B. Ulrich, MPH

GCP: Delivering Clinical Quality



Jocelyn B. Ulrich, MPH, is Senior Director, Scientific and Regulatory Affairs at PhRMA, where she leads PhRMA's science and regulatory advocacy strategies on clinical trials and innovative biologics and biosimilars. Prior to joining PhRMA, Jocelyn held positions of increasing responsibility at Pfizer and Human Genome Sciences in clinical research management and Medical Affairs. From 2011 – 2013 Jocelyn led the Investigator-Initiated and Sponsored Research Association's (IISRA) Collaboration Forum, a cross-functional group that aims to establish best practices for research conducted in partnership with Industry and the NCI-funded Cooperative Groups. Jocelyn also served as Chair of the Membership and Outreach sub-committee of the Mid-Atlantic Women in Science Committee in the Healthcare Businesswomen's Association (HBA) Mid-Atlantic Chapter from 2012 - 2014. She received her MPH in Global Health Policy and Management from NYU.

Registration for the 2015 7th Annual Conference

*"Clinical Research Nursing in Global Health Care:
Strengthening Practice through Evidence"*

IS NOW OPEN!

[Register Now](#)

October 14-16, 2015

Embassy Suites Baltimore Inner Harbor

Baltimore, Maryland



If you have any questions regarding the Conference registration, please feel free to contact Helaine Labovitz at hlabovitz@iacrn.org.



IACRN Members:

**How would you like to win a
FREE conference registration?**

Due to last year's success, we are launching our 2015 Membership Campaign, Grab a Member and Go! Beginning May 25th through September 15th, for each new or reinstated* member that you refer to IACRN will earn a chance to win a free conference registration for the 7th Annual Conference to be held in Baltimore, Maryland October 14-16, 2015! The drawing will be held on September 16th. Registration fees already paid will be reimbursed.

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. All new member applications & reinstated member applications received with your name on it between May 25th and September 15th, 2015 will give you a chance to win. So please, keep talking to your colleagues about IACRN!

**Reinstated members are defined as members who have not been active since December 2013 or earlier.*

Call for Nominees
Distinguished Clinical Research Nurse Award

Purpose:

The IACRN seeks to honor a leader in clinical research nursing who exemplifies the mission of IACRN to define, validate and advance clinical research nursing as a specialty practice and to support the professional development of registered nurses who directly or indirectly impact the care of the clinical research participant.

Award:

The Award Recipient will be recognized at the Annual IACRN Conference and will be invited to give the Distinguished Clinical Research Nurse lecture to the membership at the Annual IACRN conference.

The Call for Nominations is now open and will close on Monday, July 6, 2015.

To learn more about the nomination process, please [Click Here](#)
To download the Application Form, please [Click Here](#)

Save the Date!
IACRN's next webinar
***IACRN Seminars in Ethics, Health Care Research, and Nursing:
An Evidenced Based Method for Informed Consent Communication***
is scheduled for
July 15, 2015 - 1:00-2:00 pm (EDT)
Presented by:
Debra Gillespie, MS, RN
Clinical Research Nurse
Exeter Hospital
Exeter, New Hampshire
More details to follow.

Basic Training for Clinical Research Nurses and Coordinators

Beijing China April 25-27, 2015

For the second consecutive year IACRN in collaboration with Global MD developed and presented a basic course for Clinical Research Nurses and Clinical Research Coordinators in Beijing, China. This year there were over 100 attendees and over 80% of those were nurses. The two day training covered basic content such as introduction to clinical research, research design and methodology, study management and ethical considerations. Following the two day basic training, a workshop was held to expand on concepts introduced in the past two year's basic course.

Although nurses in China work in the clinical research environment the idea of a specialty practice is a new concept to research professionals in China. Meg McCabe PhD, RN, President Elect of IACRN, introduced the specialty practice of clinical research nursing to attendees. In addition, each section of the course tied the content back to the Clinical Research Nursing Domains of Practice to help with role definition and identification. The work that has been done to develop this basic training will be expanded and refined to create a foundation for training that can be used by IACRN in other countries as well as China.

Xiaokun Liang, PhD, RN from Global MD and an IACRN member organized and hosted the IACRN members Meg McCabe PhD, RN, Shaunagh Browning RN, FNP-BC, Mary Jane Williams, DNP, and Meg McCabe PhD, RN during the training. We were honored to have small group discussions focused on role definitions, training practice of clinical research nurses and CRC, and history of the nursing practice with CROs at the Cancer Hospital Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences, Clinical Research Nurses at Peking Union Medical College Phase 1 unit and the Dean of the School of Nursing at Peking Union Medical College School of Nursing.

The nurses that we encountered throughout our visit in Beijing were dedicated to their profession and enthusiastically embraced the concept of the specialty practice of Clinical Research Nursing. They were eager to learn and happy to have the opportunity to share best practices. It was apparent through these discussions that IACRN's Vision "Enhancing clinical research quality and safety through specialized practice" was universally important to nurses in China. Thank you to all those we met in China and the warm welcome you provided to IACRN. [Click here](#) to see a pictorial of the visit to Beijing on our facebook page.

Thank you to all those members that have contributed to the content over the last 2 years.

Meg McCabe
Liza Behrens
Shaunagh Browning
Xiaokun Liang
Tamara Kempken-Mehring
Mary Jane Williams
Liz Ness at NCI
NIH Clinical Center

Our Keynote Address from the 2014 Annual Conference by Dr. David Keepnews

is now available on the IACRN website under the Conferences tab.

[Click here](#) to access the YouTube video.

NEW Membership Brochure!!!

IACRN has developed a Membership Brochure designed to lead people to our website. You can reach this brochure by clicking on the link above or going to our website at www.iacrn.org and going to About Us/Membership Brochure. Both a visual of the brochure and a printable version are available on that page.

We are encouraging you to print a few copies (double sided and then folded into thirds) and bring them with you to any event you may attend where other participants might be interested in learning about IACRN.

Please feel free to contact Helaine at hlabovitz@iacrn.org with any questions.

IACRN is proud to announce that we are now a full member of [The Alliance](#)

The Nursing Organizations Alliance is a coalition of nursing organizations united to create a strong voice for nurses. The Alliance provides a forum for identification, education and collaboration building on issues of common interest to advance the nursing profession. The Alliance does not have delegated authority to speak for nurses. IACRN is any member of The Alliance.

Membership in the Alliance is open to any nursing organization whose focus is to address current and emerging nursing and health care issues. Structural nursing components of a multi disciplinary organization are also welcome to join.

To learn more about this organization, [click here](#).

Welcome to our newest members!

The Membership, Marketing and Communications committee would like to cordially welcome the following members who joined IACRN since April 1, 2015:

Kathleen Johnson	Georgetown University
Sarah McCartney	Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
Yvonne Reyes	VCU Medical Center
Brooke Tippin	Children's Hospital Colorado

Chapter News

The Boston Chapter is celebrating “**4 on 4**”, their 4th birthday on June 4th.
Douglas E. Schlichting, PhD, RN will speak on "The Role and Path of a Clinical
Research Nurse in Industry.”

He is currently a senior research scientist with Ely Lilly.
Please see the website for further information.

Boston Chapter elections take place this Fall. Open positions are President Elect and
Treasurer.

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