

EMORY NURSING



Award and Honors

Awards:

Honors:

Rowena Elliott was inducted as an inaugural Fellow in the Academy of Diversity Leaders in Nursing through the National Black Nurses Association. The induction was on July 25, 2025 at the NBNA 52nd Annual Institute and Conference in San Francisco, CA.

Sharron Close is founder and co-director of the eXtraordinary Clinic at Emory and the Southeast Regional X & Y Support Group. Sharron took a group of patients with family members down to The George State Capitol to advocate for persons with sex chromosome variations. The group met with Governor Kemp and the First Lady of Georgia.

Sharron Close and **Stacy Buchanan** recently copyrighted their CFDE-funded project entitled, "Teletriage Integrated Learning Program for Nursing Competencies." This innovative teaching tool presents recorded complex clinical scenarios designed to integrate AACN/NONPF clinical competencies for nurse practitioner students.

Rose Murphree passed certifications exams: Certified Wound Care Nurse (CWCN), Certified Ostomy Care Nurse (COCN), Certified Continence Care Nurse (CCCN), and Certified Foot Care Nurse (CFCN).

Note: The certification board combines CWCN, COCN, CCCN into one which is CWOCN.

Youjeong Kang was invited to be to be faculty for the 2024 Heart Failure Society of America Annual Scientific Meeting.

Appointments

Roy Simpson has been appointed to the American Academy of Nursing's newly established Artificial Intelligence Taskforce. The AI task force charge: Review the Academy's history on AI, and information from organizations with similar policy-related goals and priorities to guide the Academy's response to the five identified key aspects of AI in the Blueprint for an AI Bill of Rights. Create an environmental scan to identify key health policies that the Academy should address related to AI. These policy issues could include, but not limited to addressing algorithmic biases in AI or making additional investments in AI research. Develop a position statement with policy recommendations that would allow the organization to respond to requests for information, proposed rules, and other opportunities to provide feedback on AI policy-related developments. Review the responsibilities and expectations of Fellows as outlined in the Bylaws and Ethics Policy and Code of Conduct and determine if AI should be incorporated into Fellowship and engagement within the organization. Recommend if candidates can use generative AI-assisted applications and technologies for Academy's honorific designations and applications (Fellowship, Honorary Fellow, Living Legend, Edge Runner, etc.)

Rowena Elliott was elected to the Board of Directors for the Atlanta Black Nurses Association. The term will be 2024-2025.

Ryan Suk was elected to serve on the Board of Trustees as Trustee of the Society for Medical Decision Making (SMDM) for the 2024-2027 term. SMDM is a leading academic society in the field of decision science and health economics & outcomes research.

Grants

Cherie Cofield is part of a funded R01 with NINR at the University of Michigan entitled, "At Home Morning Bright Light Treatment for Chronic Nociceptive Pain Amongst Sociodemographically Diverse Individuals" PIs Helen Burgess & Afton Hassett. <https://reporter.nih.gov/search/ht7-yEOxn0WnfWrztMNFdA/project-details/10775297>

Meredith Farmer received her first small grant from the Florida Association of Neonatal Nurse Practitioners (FANNP) for her work on the NNP's Perception of Shift Length and Fatigue for \$4100.