



## PANEL PRESENTATIONS

**Session 1: 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.**

### **Leadership in the Clinical Setting**

*Note: This session will be repeated in the second block of Panel Sessions, 10:45 – 11:45 a.m.*

Most nursing graduates, if not all, will spend a formative part of their careers in a clinical setting. Some may build careers in healthcare management or administration; others may choose direct patient care for the long term. Leadership may be defined as any effort that helps a group or organization continue to move in the direction of its goals. To that extent, what really is “leadership” in clinical settings? The practitioners on this panel will weigh in on this important subject.

Panelists:

**Andrea P. Rutherford**, MS, MPH, FNP - Nurse Practitioner, Internal Medicine, Georgetown University Hospital, Washington, DC (BSN '92)

**Catherine L. Smigelski**, RN, MSN, ANP - Nurse Practitioner, Geriatrics, VCU Health System, Richmond, VA (MSN '92)

**Frances White Vasaly**, RN, MSN, CIC - Clinical Specialist, Quality & Surgery, INOVA-Fairfax Hospital, Arlington, VA (BSN '69)

Facilitator: **Kathleen M. Rea**, MSN, RN, APRN-BC - Clinician IV, U.Va. Health System (BSN '93, MSN '02)

### **The Need for More Nurses, More Nursing Education, and More Nursing Educators: Where Might You Fit In?**

We are all acutely aware of the current nursing shortage and the perfect storm that awaits us as the population ages and demands on the health care system grow. As you go forward into your career as a nurse, what might this shortage mean in your life? To be a nursing leader in times of challenge, should you consider additional nursing education and advanced degrees? What should you take into account in your decision-making about graduate work? As the need for nursing *educators* is becoming more and more acute, this session will also challenge you to think about your potential as a future nursing educator.

Facilitator:

**Jennifer Field Brown**, APRN-PMH BC, PhD- Assistant Professor, School of Nursing, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA (BA '95, BSN '97, MSN '98)

Panelists:

**Bethany Robertson, DNP, CNM** - Assistant Professor, Family & Community Nursing, Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing, Emory University, Atlanta, GA (BSN '89)

**Elizabeth "Lizz" Talley, RN, BSN** - Graduate Student in Nurse Anesthesia, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA (BSN '06)

**Janice Barnes Young, PhD, RN** - Lead Nurse Consultant, Health Resources & Service Administration, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Rockville, Maryland (PhD '95)

## **Moving on Up: Nurses in Health Care Administration**

The nurses on this panel have definitely moved up the ladder, while maintaining their core commitments to clinical practice. From their days as students at U.Va. to being among the top administrators in health care organizations, hear how their careers evolved and what is involved in being responsible for a myriad of departments, budgets, employees, and decisions in one of life's most complicated work environments. And, hear what they are looking for in their workforce of the future, and what they feel *you* should look for in your future employers.

Panelists:

**Julie W. Schaffner, RN, MSN, FACHE** - Chief Operating Officer, Chief Nurse Executive, Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, Park Ridge, IL (BSN '76, MSN '81)

**Richard A. Ridge, PhD, RN, CNAA, BC** - Corporate Director, Nursing Education, Meridian Health System, Neptune, NJ. (PhD '01)

Moderator:

**Lisa Kelley, RN, MS, WHNP, AOCNP** - Oncology Nurse Practitioner, Oncology Specialists of Charlotte, Charlotte, NC. (BSN '99)

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## **From the Bedside to the Business World: Taking Your Nursing Degree in a Different Direction**

A nursing degree has become one of the most marketable degrees in today's workplace. The graduates on this panel all began right where you are now – but ended up with great success in some careers in business and industry that they might not have expected originally! Hear what led them down these non-traditional career paths and how a nursing education can have a tremendous impact in other arenas.

Panelists:

**Ann Hewitt, RN, BSN, MBA** – Vice President of Sales, U.S. Market, TSO3, Inc., Chicago, IL (BSN '79)

**Donald L. Johnson, RN, BSN** - Managing Director, Corporate Client Group, The NASDAQ Stock Market (BSN '80)

**Kit (Kammerer) Schumaker, RN, BSN** - Corporate Accounts Director, Advanced Sterilization Products Division, Johnson & Johnson (BSN '80)

Facilitator: **Kate Fitzgerald, RN, BSN, MSN, MBA, JD** - Law Clerk, Arlington Circuit Court, Arlington, VA (BSN '81, MSN '86, ANP '88)

## **Nurses in the Service of Underserved or Vulnerable Populations**

Americans can receive some of the finest health care in the world. . . . depending on circumstances. Issues of geography, poverty, aging, and access bring untold challenges when caring for those in underserved or vulnerable populations. And what about those living in less affluent parts of the world? Panelists will share experiences they have had both in the U.S. and internationally that show how much heartbreak and joy can come from serving those less fortunate.

Panelists:

**April Carman, BSN, RN** - Graduate Student in Public Health, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh PA and Program Coordinator, Peace Corps

Master's International at the Graduate School of Public Health (BSN '98)

**Becky Frazier McGough, RN, MSN** – Nurse Practitioner, Sto-Rox Family Health Center, Pittsburgh, PA. (BSN '76)

**Frances White Vasaly, RN, MSN, CIC** - Clinical Specialist, Quality & Surgery, INOVA-Fairfax Hospital, Arlington, VA (Volunteer, Community Coalition for Haiti) (BSN '69)

Moderator:

**Susan Rose Lumsden, BSN** - Director, Division of State and Community Assistance, Office of Health Information Technology, Health Resources and Services Administration, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Rockville, MD. (BSN '83)