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The College of Nursing invites you to join colleagues and Ira Byock, MD, a nationally recognized, leading palliative care physician, author and public advocate for improved end of life care, who is keynote speaker for our **April 1-2 palliative care oncology conference “Advance Care Planning Reimagined: Clinical Excellence and Cultural Leadership in Oncology.** The conference is supported by The Esther Schwartz Scholarship and Research Fund. [Online registration is now live! More...](#)

Senior publishes on communication for elder care in the home

Senior Patrick Smith adds to the growing body of literature related to health care communication with his recently published article, “Communication between office-based primary care providers and nurses working within patients’ homes: an analysis of process data from CAPABLE” in the *Journal of Clinical Nursing*. In 2014, Patrick was accepted into the Public Health Leadership and Learning Undergraduate Student Success (PLLUSS) Program at Kennedy Krieger Institute in Baltimore, which ultimately led to conducting [an independent research study](#)

27th Annual Mass and Alumni Awards Ceremony

We look forward to seeing you at the 27th Annual Mass and Alumni Awards Ceremony on April 2nd. If you wish to also attend the reception in Driscoll Hall, the cost is \$30 per person. You may send a check payable to Villanova University by March 24th to Ms. Sylvia Montgomery, Villanova University College of Nursing, 800 Lancaster Avenue, Villanova, PA 19085. Questions? Please email sylvia.montgomery@villanova.edu. The College’s Medallion will be bestowed upon Margaret Robins Garrett ’72 BSN, JD, Christina Larson Kelly ’74 BSN, MSN, and Janet Nash ’08 MSN, PhD. The College will also honor Catherine Loper McDonald ’00 BSN, PhD with its Emerging Scholar Award.

Research Symposium March 22

All are welcome to join the College of Nursing and regional colleagues for the College’s Annual Research Symposium “Building the Evidence Base for Nurses’ Work” on March 22 from 4:00-7:00pm in the Villanova Room of Connelly Center. The keynote speaker is Barbara Wadsworth, DNP, RN, MBA, NEA-BC, FACHE, FAAN, senior vice president of Patient Services and chief nursing officer for Main Line Health whose lecture is “Enhancing the Kaleidoscope of Evidence-Based Practice.” This free event, open to the public, showcases the scholarship of faculty, students and colleagues in the community. [Read more and register online.](#)

From Market to Misinformation: Addressing the Science and Facts of Vaccines - March 10

Official establishments such as the World Health Organization and the Centers for Disease Control have acknowledged that

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the increase in life expectancy in the 20th century was largely due to improved access to vaccinations. Today there is a race to develop new vaccines for diseases such as Ebola, HIV, Streptococcus A infections and even cancer. In spite of these ground-breaking, scientific advances some people still elect not to be vaccinated or have their children vaccinated. So what does this mean for the society's health? A panel of experts will discuss the bigger picture of infectious diseases and vaccinations, as well as the science that brings them from market to patient. [Learn more about this Naratil Family Health & Human Values Lecture Series offering.](#)

In the media: Dr. Michelle Kelly



On February 10th, the media ran with expert commentary from Assistant Professor Michelle Kelly, PhD, CRNP. "[Birth Defect Tied to Zika Virus Can Leave Children With Lifetime of Health Woes](#)" was published on websites such as *USNews & World Report* and also *HealthDay* and *WebMD*. She is a pediatric and neonatal nurse practitioner with experience in NICUs and the area of genetics.

Selected faculty publications, presentations and achievements



Achieving mental health parity, simulation research, nurse-midwife advocacy, and enhancing nursing knowledge of Parkinson's disease...[read more about some of our faculty publications.](#)

Veteran health issues, patient safety and teaching strategies were among the [presentation topics and other efforts](#) of the faculty in the wider community.

Alumna to receive writing excellence award



Congratulations to Kristen Chreiman '15 MSN who, in the category of Specialty Article: Innovations and Operations for 2015, is receiving the *Journal of Trauma Nursing* writing excellence award for her manuscript "Blueprint for Implementing New Processes in Acute Care: Rescuing Adult Patients With Intraosseous Access". She will be recognized at the March Society of Trauma Nurses (STN) conference in Anaheim, during Friday's luncheon ceremony. Cheer her on if you'll be at the STN conference!

Cherish the Ladies: A Cervical Cancer Screening Program in Southeast Haiti - April 7



On April 7 at 5:30pm in the Driscoll Hall Auditorium, enjoy the story of family nurse practitioner Louise Lindenmeyr who took new technology to screen women for cervical cancer to the far-flung corners of Haiti. Strapping a CO2 tank to the back of a motorcycle, Louise built a program of "see and treat" and has screened approximately 600 women so far and has treated 5% of those women for positive results with cryotherapy. Even more importantly, in the spring of 2014 she began training Haitian doctors and nurses in the use of VIA/cryo. Now there is a fully trained Haitian nurse doing the screenings, treatments and supervising trainees in a large southeast Haiti community. [Learn more about this Naratil Family Health & Human Values Lecture](#)

[Series offering which is co-sponsored by the Center for Global and Public Health.](#)

Interested in becoming an Alumni Ambassador for your institution?

More and more of our nursing students are looking to network and otherwise connect with alumni at institutions where they may be seeking or starting a new position. For many, this is their first job in nursing. We get occasional inquiries from alumni as well. If you're interested in helping them by answering questions about nursing practice at your institution, please email ann.mckenzie@villanova.edu with your name, role, unit, your organization's name and best contact information to share with those inquiring. Thank you for your support of our students and your fellow alumni!



Free webinars from COPE

Don't miss the latest webinar from the MacDonald Center for Obesity Prevention and Education (COPE). On March 16th, hear from Emily Hartline RDN, CSP, LDN, speaking on "Counseling Overweight Teens: Overcoming the Challenges-Achieving Results." [Read more and register online.](#)



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2016 EVENTS

March 8 - [Graduate and Adult Education Open House](#) (transfer students, second-degree, RN-BSN, master's, DNP, PhD)

March 10 - [Naratil Family Health & Human Values Lecture Series](#)-- "From Market to Misinformation: Addressing the Science and Facts of Vaccines" with Robert Leggiadro, MD, '72 CLAS, Adjunct Professor, Department of Biology, Villanova University and previous Medical Director Vaccines, Pfizer, Inc.; Robert McNally, PhD, '70 COE, President and CEO, GeoVax, Inc.; and Patricia Stinchfield, APRN, CNP Director of Infectious Disease Prevention and Control Director of Children's Immunizations Project, Children's Hospitals and Clinics of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.

March 16 - [Online RN-BSN Open House](#) @ 12n Eastern. RSVP with your name and Open House date to RSVP@VillanovaU.com .

March 22 - [Annual Research Symposium](#) - Building the Evidence Base for Nurses' Work

April 1-2 - [Advance Care Planning Reimagined: Clinical Excellence and Cultural Leadership in Oncology](#) -Supported by The Esther Schwartz Scholarship and Research Fund.

April 2 - 27th Annual Mass & Alumni Awards Ceremony @ 6 p.m.

April 7 - [Naratil Family Health & Human Values Lecture Series](#)-- "Cherish the Ladies: a Cervical Cancer Screening Program in Southeast Haiti" with Louise Lindenmeyr, FNP-BC

April 10 - Open House for High School Students

May 18 - [Online RN-BSN Open House](#) @ 12n Eastern. RSVP with your name and Open House date to RSVP@VillanovaU.com .

June 9-12 - [Alumni Reunion Weekend](#)

July 20 - [Online RN-BSN Open House](#) @ 12n Eastern. RSVP with your name and Open House date to RSVP@VillanovaU.com .

September 21 - [Online RN-BSN Open House](#) @ 12n Eastern. RSVP with your name and Open House date to RSVP@VillanovaU.com .

November 16 - [Online RN-BSN Open House](#) @ 12n Eastern. RSVP with your name and Open House date to RSVP@VillanovaU.com .

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