



Northeastern University

Bouvé College of Health Sciences

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE (DNP) Program

Spring 2015 Newsletter

Congratulations to DNP Graduates, Class of 2015!



January of 2015 marked the graduation date for Northeastern University's Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) 5th Cohort. These doctoral students presented their Capstone Projects at the December 2014 Leadership Symposium held at the Alumni Center on Northeastern University's Boston Campus in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree.

Bouvé College of Health Sciences and School of Nursing leadership and faculty, as well as local hospital nursing leaders, attended the event. As a part of their introductory DNP course, *Leadership in Advanced Practice Nursing*, first-year students attended to support their colleagues and learn from the previous cohort's experiences.

See Page 2 for Cohort 5's Student Names and Capstone Project Titles

A Very Special Congratulations to Our DNP Director

This March, our very own **Dr. Michelle Beauchesne**, Director of the Northeastern University DNP Program, received the prestigious **Henry K. Silver Memorial Award** at the 2015 Annual National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP) National Conference in Las Vegas, NV. Dr. Silver was the renowned pediatrician who founded the Pediatric NP role with nursing legend Loretta Ford. The Silver Award is only presented every other year on odd years honoring international impact on the nursing profession and care of children. Congratulations Michelle! We are lucky to have such a visionary leader as our Director. Dr. Beauchesne's inspiring acceptance speech can be viewed at <https://youtu.be/OVTsGQzDDqo>



Dr. Beauchesne accepts the Henry K. Silver Memorial Award at the 2015 Annual NAPNAP Conference

Dr. Beauchesne is currently on sabbatical from Northeastern University for the Spring 2015 Semester pursuing her research on early childhood development in collaboration with Oxford University. She will resume her roles as Associate Professor and DNP Director in May 2015.

Special thanks to Brienne Johnson for creating this newsletter.

Congratulations 2015 DNP Graduates!

Capstone Titles

Degree Conferred January 2015

Elisabeth Bailey, DNP, RN/PC, PMHCNS-BC

Exploring Pediatric Nurse Practitioners' Self Perception of Readiness to Deliver Evidence-Based Mental Health Care in the Primary Care Setting

Nancy Dirubbo, DNP, APRN, FNP-C, FAANP, Certificate in Travel Health

Integrating Knowledge About Adult Travel Immunizations in Primary Care

Darryl Duvall, DNP, CRNA, ARNP

Evaluating the Lead of Integration of Evidence-Based Practice Content in Doctor of Nursing Practice Curricula: A National Survey of Doctor of Nursing Practice Programs

Glenda Francis, DNP, MBA/HCM, RN, CCRN, CLNC, NEA-BC*

An Exploration of the Benefits of Napping on Night Shift Nurses' Health and Patient Safety

Erin Latina, DNP, AG-ACNP, CCRN-CSC

Investigation of Intensive Care Unit Readmissions

Adrienne Loulouides, DNP, RN CPNP

Examining the Influence of the Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Role on the Quality of Care of Children Hospitalized with Disorders for Primary Pain

Kelly McCue, DNP, CNS, RN

An Exploration of Why Oncology Patients Do Not Adhere to Oral Chemotherapy Regimes

MacGregor Morgan, DNP, RN, MSN/MBA

An Analysis of Retrospective Chart Reviews to Identify Code Team Training Needs at Spaulding Hospital Cambridge

Cheryl Nadeau, DNP, MPH, RN, FNP, APHN, CNE

Analysis of Knowledge and Competencies Required to Prepare Entry Level Nurses to Address Violence Prevention in Practice

Maevelyn O'Donnell, DNP, CRNA

Implementation of the Day of Surgery Evaluation: A Quality Assurance Project of the Department of Anesthesia at Tripler Army Medical Center

Kathleen Spinello, DNP, RN

Exploratory Study to Gather Data as to Why Masters of Science in Nursing (MSN) Prepared Nurses Chose to Pursue a Graduate Degree, and Why They Have Remained in the Same Job as Before their Educational Advancement

Melissa Taylor, DNP, MPH, RNC-OB, BSN, CEN, CPEN, TNCC

Leadership Perspectives from Two Regional Professional Nursing Organizations on the Impact of Advocacy Initiatives on Nurses' Motivation to Sustain Momentum in Public Policy Advocacy

Mary Wiggan Loux, DNP, RN

Evaluating the Impact of a 360-degree Survey and Feedback Quality Improvement in a Community Hospital Operating Room

Degree to Be Conferred May 2015

Carl Anderson, DNP, MSN, CPNP

Exploring Weight Perceptions and Health Status in Adolescents with Hypertension

Tara Brown, DNP, CPNP-AC/PC, CCRN

A National Survey Examining Current End-of-Life Pain and Symptom Management Strategies in Children's Hospitals

Dorothea Devanna, DNP, RN, ACNS-BC

Implementation of a Nursing Driven Mobility Protocol: A Quality Improvement Project to Evaluate Impact on Fall Rates, Pressure Ulcer Rates, Length of Stay, and Discharge Destination in Older Adults

Thomas Lansden, DNP, CRNA

Diagnosis and Treatment of Post-Dural Puncture Headache (PDPH): Improving Patient Outcomes Using an Algorithm

Elizabeth McGrath, DNP, APRN, AGACNP-BC, ACHPN

Comparison of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network Distress Thermometer and Hospital Anxiety and Depression Scale Among Gastrointestinal Cancer Survivors

Kimberly Smith, DNP, MSN, RN, ACNS-BC, CGNS-BC, CPHQ, CMAC

An Education Intervention for Improving Utilization of a Rapid Response Team

Susan Sykas, DNP, APRN, PPCNP-BC, CNE

Evaluation of a Pilot Project on Group Visits for Well-Baby Care in a Rural Pediatric Practice





DNP Faculty Tiffany Kelley, PhD, MSN/MBA, RN was highlighted in the Fall 2014 Northeastern University *Vital Signs* Magazine for her entrepreneurial start up company, “Nightingale Apps”.

Dr. Kelley is an Adjunct Professor for Northeastern University and teaches the DNP Health Informatics course. She also serves as a member of the DNP Advisory Board.

Our DNP Students & Alumni in Print! Selected Recent Publications*

Becker, J.S. (2015 or 2016). A primer for obstetric nurses on perinatal/neonatal stroke. Accepted for publication in *Nursing for Women's Health*. Publication date TBD

DiLibero, J., Lavieri, M., **O'Donohue, S.,** DeSanto-Madeya, S. (2015). Exploring the relationship between holding or continuing enteral feedings during repositioning and the incidence of aspiration: A feasibility study. *American Journal of Critical Care*, 24(3).

Chen, L., & **Lim, F.A.** (2014). Propofol infusion syndrome: A rare but lethal complication. *Nursing*, 44(12), 11-13. Doi: 10.1097/01.NURSE.0000456376.94907.11

Lim, F.A., Brown, D.V., & Kim, S.M. (2014). Addressing health care disparities in the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender population: A review of best practices. *American Journal of Nursing*, 114, 23-34. doi: 10.1097/01.NAJ.0000450423.89759.36

Ochs, J. (2014). Lyme disease: An overview of current issues. *Advance for NPs & PAs*. Accessible online at <http://nurse-practitioners-and-physician-assistants.advanceweb.com/Features/Articles/Lyme-Disease.aspx>

Mullaney, D.M., Edwards, W.E., & **DeGrazia, M.** (2014). Family-centered care during acute neonatal transports. *Advances in Neonatal Care*, 14(5S), S16-S23.

The publication of our students' work in national peer-reviewed journals speaks to the high quality and scholarly nature of their projects.

Selected Student Podium & Poster Presentations*

Delibero, J., DNP Cohort 6

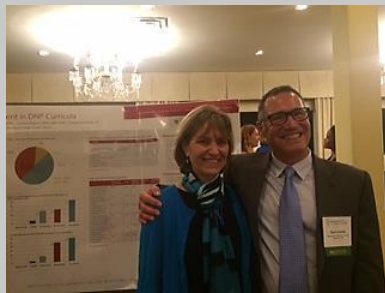
- *Creating a Culture of Delirium Assessment and Treatment: Our Journey with the AACN CSI Academy.* Abstract accepted for Podium Presentation at the American Association of Critical Care Nurses National Teaching Institute and Expo, San Diego, CA: May 2015

Devanna, D., DNP Class of 2015

- *Implementation and Evaluation of a Nurse-Driven Mobility Protocol.* Poster Presentation for the Organization of Nursing Leaders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island: March 13, 2015

Duvall, D., DNP Class of 2015

- *Evaluating the Level of Integration of Evidence-Based Practice Content in Doctor of Nursing Practice Curricula: A National Survey of Doctor of Nursing Practice Programs.* Poster Presentation at the 2015 AACN Doctoral Education Conference, San Diego, CA: January 2015



Darryl Duvall, RN, CRNA, DNP with Dr. Michelle Beauchesne at the 2015 Doctoral Education Conference

Koob, C. DNP Class of 2011

- *The DNP in Academia.* Poster Presentation at the 7th Annual Doctor of Nursing Practice Conference, Nashville TN: October 2014

Lansden, T., DNP Class of 2015

- *Diagnosis and Treatment of Post-Dural Puncture Headache: Improving Patient Outcomes Using an Algorithm.* Abstract accepted for Poster Presentation at the Sigma Theta Tau International Research Congress, Puerto Rico: July 2015

Lim, F., DNP Class of 2014

- *A National Survey of Faculty Knowledge and Experience with Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Health and Readiness for Inclusion in Teaching: Curricular Implications for Baccalaureate Nursing Programs.* Podium Presentation at Sigma Theta Tau's 25th International Nursing Research Congress, Hong Kong, July 25, 2014

Mayville, M. DNP Class of 2011

- Co-Author: *Communicating Interprofessionally: Effectiveness of a Branching Logic Online Module.* Poster Presentation at the First Annual Conference for Advancing Evidence-Based Teaching. The Center for Advancing Teaching and Learning Through

Mastering the skill of dissemination is critical in meeting the AACN DNP Essential III:

Clinical Scholarship & Analytic Methods for Evidence-Based Practice

Selected Student Presentations (Continued)

Mosadegh, S. DNP Class of 2014

- *Red Bag Review.* Poster Presentation at AS/BMT February, 2014; ENRS April, 2104 & APHON: September, 2014

O'Donoghue, S., DNP Cohort 6

- Co-Author: *Nurses' Perceptions of their Role, Team Performance and Education Regarding Resuscitation in the Adult Medical-Surgical Patient.* Poster Presentation at the American Association of Critical Care Nurses Horizon's 2014 Regional Conference, Portland, ME: April 2014 and at the Eastern Nursing Research Society 25th Annual Scientific Sessions, Philadelphia, PA: April 2014

Prairie, K., DNP Class of 2015

- Co-Author: *Pilot Study of Nurse-Directed Patient Flow to a Surgical Intensive Care Unit on ED Length of Stay.* Abstract accepted for Poster Presentation at the New York State Nurse Executive and Leader Organization State Conference, Tarrytown, NY: March 29-31, 2015 and at the American Association of Nurse Practitioners National Conference, New Orleans, LA: June 9-14, 2015

Taylor, M., DNP Class of 2015

- *Impact of Advocacy Initiatives on Nurses' Motivation to Sustain Momentum in Public Policy Advocacy.* Abstract accepted for an Oral Presentation at the University of Toledo College of Nursing Research Conference, Toledo, OH: April 27, 2015

Joint DNP Student Presentation:

DiLibero, J., O'Donoghue, S.

- *Outcomes of an AACN CSI Team Facilitating Long-Term Improvement in ICU Delirium Through a Staff-Nurse Led Program.* Abstract accepted for Poster Presentation at the American Association of Critical Care Nurses National Teaching Institute and Critical Care Exposition, San Diego, CA: May 18-21, 2015

*Due to space limitations, only selected presentations are listed here. Many students have multiple accomplishments and this list is not meant to be exhaustive nor fully represent their achievements; rather it is a representation of their success as nursing leaders.

The DNP Advisory Board

Co-Chairs:

Mary Samost, RN, MSN, DNP & Ann Stadtler, DNP, MSN, CPNP

Members:

Steve Alves, PhD, CRNA, FNAP

Janet Briand-McGowan, DNP, MS, RN

Pamela Burke, PhD, RN, FNP-BC, PPCNP-BC, FSAHM, FAAN

Michele DeGrazia, PhD, RN NNP-BD, FAAN

Colleen Dutille Koob, DNP, RN

Karen Farnum, DNP, RN, PPCNP-BC

John Hanlon, Jr., CRNA, DNP, ARNP, MSNA

Tiffany Kelley, PhD, MBA, RN

Sharon Kuhrt, RN, MSN, DNP

Linda Malone, DNP, RN, CPNP

Mary Mayville, DNP, RN, CNE

Dorothy Mullaney, DNP, APRN

Richard "Ric" Ricciardi, PhD, CRNP, FAANP

Student Representative:

Ethan (Paul) Schuler, BA, RN, MSN, CPNP-PC/AC, DNP Cohort 6



DNP students look on as their classmates

present at the January 2015 onsite class day for the first NRS 7920 re-vamped research course taught by Dr. Michele DeGrazia.



Awards

Jill Becker, DNP '14

- *Course Of Distinction Award:* Massachusetts College Online, June 4, 2014

Fidelindo Lim, DNP '14

- *Baccalaureate Faculty Excellence Award:* New York University, College of Nursing, 2014

Mary Mayville, DNP '11

- Douglas, B. M., **Mayville, M. L.**, Rickles, N., "An Interactive, Online Module for Interprofessional Communication to Promote Patient Safety", *Teaching and Learning Grant*, Northeastern Provost's Office, \$10,000.00, AY 2014-2015
- *Dedication to the Classroom Award:* Presented by the Northeastern University School of Nursing Senior Class, 2014

Dorothy Mullaney, DNP '13

- AANP Future Leaders Program

Caitlin O'Connell: Cohort 6

- *Nurses Educational Funds*
- *J. Ada Mutch Scholarship:* Columbia University Presbyterian Hospital
- Alumni Association
- *Joshua Shairs Scholarship:* Boston Children's Hospital

Kathy Prairie, DNP Cohort 6

- *New York State Nurse Executive and Leaders Margaret McClure Scholarship:* Regional Winner, \$5000, March 2015

Alexis Schmid, DNP Cohort 6

- *Clinical Excellence Award:* Boston Children's Hospital Emergency Department, June 2014.

Inducted into Sigma Theta Tau Honor Society

- Kathy Prairie
- Allyson Williams



Are you or someone you know interested in the DNP Program at Northeastern University?

Send them our way! Interested applicants should send an email to the contact information below and someone will reach out with detailed program information. Please visit our website for more information including sample curriculums and a copy of our Frequently Asked Questions at <http://www.northeastern.edu/bouve/nursing/programs/doctor-nursing-practice/>



Exciting Opportunity: Health

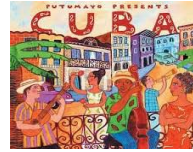
Care in Cuba

Dr. DiRubbo has over 35 years of experience as an FNP and has traveled and led nursing groups all over the world.

This trip is organized with Authentic Cuban Tours, a Toronto based company with many years of experience in Cuba and yes, it is legal for US citizens to visit Cuba.

Cuban /US relations are improving. In the next few years more and more Americans will travel here. This is your opportunity to see it before it changes.

Enhance your DNP experience register today!



Art and music flourish in Cuba.

Looking for a way to stay warm next winter? Recent DNP graduate Nancy DiRubbo, DNP, FNP-BC, FAANP, is leading a group of APNs

and DNP students to Cuba for a continuing education program. For more information about this exciting opportunity scheduled for November 6-13th, 2015 on the web at:

http://www.travelhealthnh.com/Join_us_in_Cuba_brochure.pdf

Doctor of Nursing Practice Program Northeastern University

<http://www.northeastern.edu/bouve/nursing/programs/doctor-nursing-practice>

Alice Murphy, Administrative Coordinator, DNP Program

401 Robinson Hall

360 Huntington Ave

Boston, MA 02115

617-373-3621

a.murphy@neu.edu

To: