

College of Nursing *Highlights*

- Dr. María Ordóñez will be inducted as a Fellow into the American Academy of Nursing on Nov. 3.
- Dr. Lisa Wiese was inducted as a new board member of the Association of Community Health Nursing Educators.
- Dr. Terry Eggenberger was selected by the AACN to participate in the 2018 Leadership for Academic Nursing Program.
- Dr. Debra Hain is a Visiting Scholar in Thailand at Thammasat University.
- Dr. María Ordóñez received a \$40,000 Boca Raton Regional Hospital community outreach grant.
- PhD student Raquel Brown was recently featured in the AACN-GSNA Bulletin as an Emerging Leader.
- MSN student Andria Entrekin receiving the Rising Star Award at the American Holistic Nurses Association's annual conference.
- You can now follow the FAU College of Nursing on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).



HRSA \$2.8 Million Grant Will Enhance RN Role in Primary Care

FAU's Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing received a \$2.8 million grant from the Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) for a four-year project, "Caring-based Academic Partnerships in Excellence: RNs in Primary Care," to recruit and

prepare nursing students to practice to the full scope of their license in community-based primary care teams.

The College of Nursing will partner with West Palm Beach Veteran Administration Medical Center, Community Health of South Florida, Inc., Holy Cross Hospital, Caridad Center and the College's Community Health Center to increase access to care while emphasizing chronic disease prevention and management, and health and wellness promotion in non-institutional settings.

"Our overall goal is to create healthier communities in rural and underserved populations," said Dr. Karethy Edwards, associate dean of academic programs and project director. "With this latest grant from HRSA, we will educate and provide clinical experiences to establish a primary care workforce of students with a BSN degree who are practice ready."

This HRSA grant is the third awarded to FAU's College of Nursing over three consecutive years and totaling \$6.4 million. To learn more, [click here](#).



Faculty Creates Delirium Intervention Program

Dr. Deborah D'Avolio became interested in delirium among older adults through her experiences as a researcher, nurse practitioner and, more importantly, as a family caregiver of loved ones with dementia. Older adults with dementia who develop delirium have a greater risk of adverse

outcomes. Delirium is preventable, treatable, frequently misdiagnosed and often not recognized by health care providers and family caregivers.

In her study, funded by the Network for the Investigation of Delirium: Unifying Scientists, Dr. D'Avolio is working toward a possible solution - engaging caregivers through a remote monitoring and technology-assisted nurse coaching intervention.

Delirium prevention among family caregivers of older adults with dementia remains unexplored. Addressing this gap is important because family caregivers have valuable insight about subtle changes in cognition. This project addresses the needs of family caregivers, and offers both access and support to delirium prevention strategies.



Caring is a Science, and we study it. Caring is an Art, and we practice it. Caring is a Way of Being, and we live it.



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