



# Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation

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## Division of Professional Regulation

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### **Chairperson: Maureen E. Shekleton, Ph.D., RN, FAAN**

Maureen E. Shekleton is the President of the Illinois Nurses Foundation. She is the owner of Shekleton, LLC, a health and nursing consulting firm. Previously, she held the position of Professional Relations Specialist at the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists. She earned the Doctor of Philosophy degree from Rush University, a Master of Science in Nursing degree from Case Western Reserve University Frances Payne Bolton School of Nursing and a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from the College of Mount Saint Joseph. She is a Fellow in both the American Academy of Nursing and the National Academies of Practice. Dr. Shekleton was the satellite site coordinator at Du Page Community Clinic, a free clinic serving medically indigent residents of Du Page County. She has held faculty positions at the University of Illinois College of Nursing and Lewis University and both faculty and service positions at Rush University Medical Center.

Dr. Shekleton has served in a variety of elected and appointed positions in both the American Nurses Association (ANA) and the Illinois Nurses Association (INA). She has served as the INA President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President and Board member and as a Chair of the ANA Congress of Nursing Practice. She was co-founder and President of the Respiratory Nursing Society and chaired the Nursing Assembly of the Chicago Lung Association. She is a member of Sigma Theta Tau and was president of the Gamma Phi Chapter at Rush. Dr. Shekleton is the author of two textbooks in nursing and has published several book chapters and clinical and research articles. She holds the rank of Ni Dan (2<sup>nd</sup> degree Black Belt) in Shotokan karate.

### **Vice-Chairperson: Donna Meyer, MSN, RN**

Donna Meyer is the Dean of Health Sciences and Project Director for the Lewis and Clark Community College Family Health Clinic. Currently she serves as the President of the National Organization for Associate Degree Nursing (N-OADN). Her career spans over thirty-five years in both practice and education. Her primary clinical background has been in pediatric nursing at St. Louis Children's Hospital.

Dean Meyer began her academic career at Lewis and Clark Community College in Godfrey, Illinois as a nursing faculty member and progressed into Director of the program and ultimately became the Dean of Health Sciences. Additionally, she serves as the Project Director of the Lewis and Clark Family Health Clinic and mobile unit. The clinic is the only nurse managed primary care clinic operated by a community college. The clinic began operating in 2007 and has served over 102,000 clients. In 2012, the clinic expanded the focus to include interprofessional collaboration with a school of dental medicine, occupational therapy, and exercise science programs.

Additionally, Dean Meyer was responsible for working with then Senator Obama in 2007 to receive funding of a mobile health unit to serve the rural communities. She has been a consultant to Navajo Technical College to assist them in establishing an associate degree nursing program. She is very engaged in numerous organizations, holding offices in both state and national organizations. She has served as Board member of N-OADN prior to her term as the President. Her professional nursing activities include: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Academic Progression in Nursing Advisory Board,

Illinois Center for Nursing Advisory Board, the American Association of Community Colleges Workforce Commission, the Illinois Healthcare Action Coalition for the IOM/Future of Nursing, Team Illinois/Center to Champion Nursing in America, National Nursing Centers Consortium Health Policy Committee, and Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society.

In March 2012 she began a three year tenure for the Institute of Medicine's Global Forum on Interprofessional Healthcare Education. She works closely with other national organizations and in September 2012 was one of five national leaders responsible for the release of the joint statement on nursing academic progression. She has been responsible for securing over 7 million dollars in grants for the nursing program and clinic.

Dean Meyer has received various awards for her work including the: MetLife Community College Excellence Award for Innovation, Illinois Nurses Association Innovation in Health Care Award, Illinois Community Administrators Award for Innovation, Illinois Nursing Pinnacle Leader of the Year, the Southern Illinois University Outstanding Nursing Alumni Award, the YWCA Woman of Distinction Award, and in October, 2012 was inducted to the Southern Illinois University Hall of Fame. She serves on various community boards, including the Alton Boys and Girls Club, the IFLOSS Coalition, Edwardsville Main Street Community Center, and the McKendree School of Nursing Advisory Board. She has presented at numerous national and state conferences, and completed research on the impact of a nurse managed center in the community college setting. She completed her bachelor's, master's degree, and post-graduate work at Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville.

#### **Julie E. Bracken, MS, RN, CEN**

Julie Bracken is a consultant with Cook County Health and Hospitals System. She earned a Diploma in Nursing from Little Company of Mary Hospital School of Nursing, Evergreen Park, Illinois, a Bachelor of Science in Education from Chicago State University and a Masters of Science in Nursing from Rush University College of Nursing.

After beginning her professional career as a grade school teacher, Julie transitioned into nursing. Specializing in emergency nursing for over 35 years, Julie was the Emergency Clinical Nurse Specialist for the Cook County System Hospitals. Marrying her teaching background with nursing, she also served as the Director of Nursing Education at Cook County Hospital and the Associate Nursing Director at the University of Illinois Hospital, Chicago, Illinois.

She has been active in the Illinois Emergency Nurses Association, leadership roles include: State President, Board Director, Chair Spring Symposium Committee, Editor state newsletter, and recently was elected as Treasurer-Elect (2014) and Treasurer (2015-2016). She was also a member of the Heart Attack Alert Program at the National Institutes of Health.

#### **Kathleen R Delaney, PhD, PMH-NP, FAAN**

Kathleen R Delaney, PhD, PMH-NP, FAAN is a professor of nursing at Rush College of Nursing (CON) in Chicago. At Rush she is also the Specialty Coordinator of the Psychiatric Mental Health (PMH) Nurse Practitioner (NP) program. Kathy has spent much of her career at Rush, often practicing on the clinical side at Rush University Medical Center (RUMC). She has been involved in many roles on the RUMC Child Inpatient Unit, a short-term psychiatric unit for children and adolescent. In 2001-2007 she shared a position on the unit as one of the clinical nurse coordinators. Dr Delaney's interest in inpatient psychiatric treatment extends into her research. Currently she is PI on a grant funded by the Patient Center Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) which involves developing a patient-centered quality tool for psychiatric treatment environments.

Currently Dr Delaney is also the Project Director of the RUMC Graduate Nursing Education (GNE) Demonstration project. In this position she is coordinating the RUMC efforts to determine if GNE support for clinical training facilitates increased enrollment in the Advanced Practice Nursing (APN)

Programs at Rush CON. Part of this grant is to develop APN training within innovative practice models and underserved areas of the state.

Dr Delaney is past-president of the International Society of Psychiatric Nurses (ISPN). She is currently the co-chair of the American Psychiatric Nurses Association Safe Environments Council. She is also the ACHMA representative on the Joint Commission Behavioral Health Care PTAC. An ongoing interest is workforce research, one that began with workforce studies with the Center for Mental Health Services, Alliance for Mental Health Care Professionals. In Illinois Dr Delaney serves on the Illinois Hospital Association, Behavioral Health Steering Committee. She is also a member of the IHAC Practice committee. Dr Delaney received her BSN from Georgetown University, MSN from Catholic University, and PhD from Rush.

#### **Donna L. Hartweg, Ph.D., RN**

Donna L. Hartweg is a consultant in nursing education and health care. She is also Professor Emerita, Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, after retiring as Caroline F. Rupert Professor of Nursing and Director of the School of Nursing. After receiving a BSN from the University of Iowa, she completed master's degrees at Illinois State University (education) and the University of Illinois at Chicago (medical surgical nursing). Her PhD in nursing is from Wayne State University in Detroit.

The majority of her academic career was at Illinois Wesleyan University with community leadership within the University and professional nursing community including president of Phi Kappa Phi Honorary, chair of the University's major policy council, and positions in the regional or state Illinois Nurses' Association and Theta Pi Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau, the International Honor Society of Nursing. She also chaired the Illinois Association of Colleges of Nursing, the organization of all baccalaureate and higher degree nursing programs in the State of Illinois. Dr. Hartweg continues as an active scholar with an interest in women's self-care. Most recent investigations are on health and self-care behaviors of Spanish-speaking Latinas from Mexico and Central America and the Arizona/Mexico border. With her interest in self-care, Dr. Hartweg was a founder and current officer in the International Orem (self-care) Society of Nursing Scholarship.

Past leadership roles within Central Illinois include serving as president of the Community Health Care Clinic, the local free clinic, and chair of (now Advocate) BroMenn Healthcare Hospitals Board of Directors responsible for (Advocate) BroMenn and Eureka Hospitals, the latter a rural access hospital. She currently serves on the John M. Scott Commission (serving health care needs of low income individuals) and is a Medical Reserve Corps Volunteer.

#### **Corinne Haviley, MS, Ph.D., RN**

Corinne Haviley, RN, MS, PhD is currently the Associate Chief Nursing Officer at Central DuPage Hospital now Northwestern Medicine for Emergency, EMS, Trauma, Behavioral Health, Care Coordination, Imaging and Out Patient Services. She has held a variety of leadership roles in the health care field including administrative, clinical, faculty and research positions within the hospital, government, industry and academic settings.

She has authored more than 38 professional articles and book chapters in the areas of clinical oncology, radiology, patient care, management, leadership, safety and organization development. Along with publishing and presenting lectures nationally and internationally, she has presented twenty completed research papers and coordinated six educational symposiums for nurses.

Corinne is currently serving as President Elect on the Board of Directors for the Illinois Organization of Nurse Leaders and is a member of the Governor appointed Illinois Center for Nursing Advisory Board of Directors. She has recently been invited to participate on the National Council of State Boards of Nursing on Adverse Event Decision Pathway Expert Panel. Additionally Corinne is an Advisory Committee member for the Metropolitan Chicago Health Care Council's Clinical Research Exchange. She is a member of multiple professional Nursing and Organization Development societies.

Corinne has received the Organization Development Institute: Silver Bowl Award for Outstanding Organization Development Project of the Year for Non Profit Organizations, Academy of Management: Outstanding Graduate Student Paper on Management Consulting, an excellence in research award from Sigma Theta Tau, Alpha Omicron Chapter, multiple quality awards and she has been recognized in *Who's Who in American Nursing* and *Professional and Business Women*.

### **Carmen C. Hovanec MSN, RN**

Carmen Hovanec is the Director of Health Education Services at SPC Educational Solutions. Ms. Hovanec is a 1981 graduate of Saint Mary of Nazareth School of Nursing. She earned her Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) from De Paul University in 1988 and her Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) from Lewis University in 2003, where her graduate work focused on decreasing the gap between theory and practice.

A professional nurse for over three decades, she has experience as a staff nurse, mentor, preceptor, educator, administrator and consultant.

Carmen is active in many community and professional organizations including the Illinois Center for Nursing Advisory Board, Council of Catholic Nurses of the Archdiocese of Chicago (CCNAC), Association for Nursing Professional Development (ANPD), Chicago Area Nursing Staff Development Organization (CANSDO), American Nurses Association (ANA), ANA-Illinois, De Paul University Department of Nursing Alumni Association, National Association of Hispanic Nurses (NAHN), NAHN-Illinois Chapter, National League of Nursing (NLN), Norwegian American Hospital Board of Trustees, March of Dimes Latino Advisory Council, and Zeta Sigma Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International.

Ms. Hovanec is one of the founders CANSDO. She was elected as the First President and a scholarship has been endowed in her name – the Carmen Hovanec Scholarship.

She supports and mentors nursing students as an Adjunct Faculty to several nursing programs in the Chicago area.

### **Janet Wessel Krejci, PhD, RN, NEA-BC**

Dr. Janet Wessel Krejci is Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost at Illinois State University. She served as Dean of the Mennonite College of Nursing at Illinois State University from 2009 to 2014. She has numerous publications and funded research grants in the areas of leadership, recruitment and retention, work climate, workforce diversity, and change in both acute care and long term care. She has consulted with higher education and health care systems and presented on Systems Thinking, Leadership, Change, Conflict, and Nursing Excellence to help leaders be more effective, efficient, and satisfied in their roles.

Besides her academic roles, Dr. Krejci has worked as a clinical nurse specialist and leadership consultant in both acute care and long term care. She was previously at Marquette University in faculty and administrative roles until she accepted the American Council on Education Leadership Fellowship in 2007, where she spent the academic year hosted by Arizona State University. In addition to the ACE leadership fellowship, she was selected as a Robert Wood Johnson Nurse Executive Fellow for the 2008-2011 cohort. She presently serves as the chair of the Illinois Association of Colleges of Nursing and was recently appointed by the Governor to serve on the Advisory Board for the Illinois Center for Nursing.

Locally, Dr. Krejci serves on the Advocate BroMenn Governance Council, and serves as mentor in the Multicultural Leadership Program. She frequently participates in area panels on health care and higher education issues and speaks to various civic groups. She is married to Stephen and has two sons, Kevin and John.

### **Mary Lebold Ed.D., RN**

Dr. Mary Lebold Ed.D., RN is the Executive Director of the Chicago Bilingual Nurse Consortium (CBNC) and the Dean Emeritus of Saint Xavier University, School of Nursing. She has extensive experience in nursing, nursing education and administration. As Dean of the School of Nursing she was responsible for the undergraduate nursing and graduate nursing programs, faculty recruitment and evaluation, student recruitment, retention and graduation, and special projects and program development. She also worked with faculty to implement several funded projects such as the development of Nursing Centers, endowed nursing scholarships, a Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) program and the first LPN-BSN program in the State of Illinois. In her current role, she assists internationally educated nurses (IENs) obtain their nursing license in Illinois and the U.S.

Dr. Lebold holds a doctorate from Northern Illinois University in Adult and Continuing Education and a master's degree from University of Illinois, Chicago in Medical-Surgical Nursing and Nursing Education. She has served as an external consultant for program development and evaluation and a CCNE accreditation site visitor for nursing programs in the U.S. Dr. Lebold is a member of several community boards and committees. Currently, she is the secretary of the Board for Alivio Medical Center and a member of the Board's Quality Assurance Committee. Her research, presentations and publications are in the areas of caring, adult and continuing education, curriculum and program development, implementation and evaluation.

### **Marsha Prater, Ph.D., RN**

Marsha Prater, PhD, RN, is the Senior Vice President of Patient Services and Chief Nursing Officer of Memorial Health System (MHS) in Springfield IL. She oversees the integration of the MHS mission, vision, values and strategic goals into the daily operations of patient care delivery across the system which includes four acute care hospitals, a home services division, a community-based mental health center, and a primary care physician practice network. Dr. Prater brings over 30 years of nursing and leadership experience in acute care nursing to the Board. She has been with Memorial since 1990, initially serving as the administrator for Oncology Services until assuming her current role in 1992. Prior to coming to Memorial, Dr. Prater was an assistant professor of surgery and a staff nurse at SIU School of Medicine and a medical-surgical staff nurse at St John's Hospital.

Dr. Prater holds adjunct faculty positions at Mennonite College of Nursing at Illinois State University, Southern Illinois University - Edwardsville (SIUE) School of Nursing and SIU School of Medicine. She also serves on the Advisory Committee of the Benedictine University Department of Nursing and Health.

Dr. Prater received her bachelor's degree from Illinois Wesleyan University School of Nursing. She obtained her master's and doctorate degrees from Southern Illinois University. She is a fellow in the American College of Healthcare Executives (FACHE) and holds ANCC certification as a nurse executive advanced-board certified (NEA-BC). She is also a member of several professional nursing and healthcare leadership organizations, including IONL, AONE, Sigma Theta Tau International and ACHE.

### **Deborah A. Terrell, PhD, FNP-BC, RN**

Deborah A. Terrell is Associate Professor Richard J. Daley College, Chicago City Colleges. She earned the Doctor of Nursing Science and Family Nurse Practitioner degrees from Rush University, a Master of Science degree (women and pediatric nursing) from Northern Illinois University College of Nursing, and a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from the University of Illinois. Dr. Terrell was the clinical Coordinator at Frances Nelson Health Center a clinic serving medically indigent residents in Champaign County. She has held faculty positions at Parkland College Department of Nursing and

Trinity Christian College Department of Nursing, and Family Nurse Practitioner positions at Dunbar Adolescent Health Center and Chicago Christian Industrial League.

Dr. Terrell's community activities focused on her interest in adolescent health, children born to adolescent mothers, and women's health. Dr. Terrell's research focused on barriers related to adolescent mother's adherence to the well child regimen. Dr. Terrell's interest provided the opportunity to volunteer at Project Hope where she provided informational sessions and mentored adolescent mothers. She also designed the course *Mother and Me* to assist in opening the avenue of communication between pre-adolescent girls and their mothers.

She received the Pioneer in Medical Miracles award from Provident Foundation. She was featured on the cover of the Nursing Spectrum Magazine and the featured article discussed creative avenues to address the nursing shortage. Dr. Terrell also participated in Phase IV of Nurses Investing in Maternal-Child Health Leadership Academy. She is a member of Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society and current president of the IL chapter of National Organization for Associate Degree Nursing (NOADN).