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### FY2015 Nurse Educator Fellows Recognized by the ICN and the IL Board of Higher Education

The Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) and the IDFPR Advisory Board for the Illinois Center for Nursing (ICN) recognized the 2015 Nurse Educator Fellows on September 9, 2015 in a joint ceremony held in Chicago and Springfield. This distinguished group of 22 Nurse Educator Fellows were nominated by their schools and selected from 49 nominations. The Fellows shared information about their research projects with the group of nursing leaders and were commended for their work and dedication to preparing highly qualified nurses for the Illinois workforce.



L to R: **Natacha Pierre**, DNP, RN, ANP, FNP-BC, UIC; **Carol Kostovich**, PhD, RN, Loyola University Chicago; **Karen Lynn O'Brien**, MS, RN, St. Xavier University; **Jay Stewart**, IDFPR Director of Professional Regulation; **Jennifer Smith**, EdD(c), RN, Harper College; **Lorinda Lindemulder**, MSN, RN, Trinity Christian College; and **Catherine Maney**, MS, RN, Northern Illinois University.



L to R: **Amanda Hopkins**, Ph.D., RN, Illinois Wesleyan University; **O. Ed Reitz**, Ph.D., RN, Illinois State University; **Amy Grugan**, MSN, RN, Bradley University; **Angela J. Caldieraro-Bentley**, MS, RN-BC, St. John's College; **Richard Ellis**, MSN, MSHA, RN, Methodist College; and **Kevin Schoeben**, IBHE Deputy Director for Fiscal Affairs.

Unable to attend: **Tamara Bland**, MSN, RN, Resurrection University; **Denise Caldwell**, MSN, RN, Lewis & Clark Community College; **Tisha Goad**, MSN, RN, Lake Land College; **Jennifer L. Grobe**, MSN, CCM, RN, Rockford University; **Anne Hustad**, MSN, RN, Olney Central College - Illinois Eastern Community Colleges; **Pam Laskowski**, MSN, RN, CNE, Millikin University; **Donna Martin**, MSN, RN-BC, CMSRN, CDE, Lewis University; **Tina Parks**, MS, RN, Prairie State College; **Megan Pet**, MSN, MBA, RN, Moraine Valley Community College; and **Monique Reed**, PhD, RN, Rush University