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Chairperson: Carmen C. Hovanec MSN, RN

Carmen Hovanec is an Assistant Instructor at Chamberlain College of Nursing, Chicago Campus. 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 and Phi Pi Chapters 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 in the Chicago area.

Vice-Chairperson: 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 CON she is also the Program Director 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. She recently completed a grant funded by the Patient Center Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) which involved developing a patient-centered quality tool for psychiatric treatment environments, The Combined Assessment of Psychiatric 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 Chair of the PMH Expert Panel of the American Academy of Nursing. She is a member of the Technical Expert Panel for the Inpatient Psychiatric Facility Outcome and Process Measures. 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 Board of Community Care Alliance of Illinois. 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.

Corinne Haviley, MS, Ph.D., RN

Corinne Haviley, RN, MS, PhD is currently Vice President and the Flinn Family Chief Nurse Executive for Northwestern Medicine Delnor Hospital in Geneva, Illinois. 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.

She is currently serving on the Past President Advisory Council for the Illinois Organization of Nurse Leaders after serving on the Board for 7 years and is a member of the government appointed Advisory Board for the Illinois Nursing Workforce Center. Additionally, Corinne 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*. Corinne received her BS in nursing from Saint Xavier University, MS in oncology nursing from Rush University and her PhD in organizational development from Benedictine University.

Krista Jones, DNP, MSN, PHNA-BC, RN

Dr. Krista Jones is Director of the UIC College of Nursing's Urbana Regional Campus and a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Health Systems Sciences. Dr. Jones is a board certified Advanced Public Health Nurse. At UIC she has completed a Doctorate in Nursing Practice degree (2011), a Master's degree in Advanced Community Health Nursing (2007), a Post-Master's degree in Nursing Administration and Leadership (2009) and a Teaching Certificate in Nursing Education (2008). For the last 12 years, Dr. Jones has instructed undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral students enrolled in Population Focused Nursing, EBP, Professionalism, and Leadership and Management courses.

Dr. Jones is the author of numerous publications. Her research interests include the development, implementation and evaluation of interventions to reduce risky behaviors among adolescents and young adults, public health nursing workforce issues and strategies to enhance the delivery of Nursing Education. Dr. Jones has presented her research at the Association of Community Health Nurse Educators, Midwest Nursing Research Society (MNRS), Sigma Theta Tau, and American Public Health Nursing Association (APHA) annual conferences.

Dr. Jones has held several leadership positions in local, regional and national nursing and public health organizations. She currently serves as Secretary of the national Association of Community Health Nurse Educators, President of the Champaign County Board of Health, Section Councilor of the Public Health Nursing Section of the APHA and recent chair of both the Adolescent Health and the Public Health nursing research sections of MNRS. She also serves as member of the Carle Foundation

Hospital Nursing Research Advisory Board, the Urbana School Health Center Board of Advisors, and the Illinois Public Health Nurse/Academic Practice Partnership Workgroup.

Dr. Jones research has been recognized locally by Carle Foundation Hospital, statewide by the Illinois Public Health Association, and regionally by two different Research Sections of the Midwest Nursing Research Society -- Public Health and Adolescent Health. Additionally, she has received the Sigma Theta Tau Alpha Lambda Chapter Nursing Recognition Award, the Urbana Faculty Excellence Award and two Silver Circle Awards for teaching excellence at UIC. She is also a 2012 recipient of the Illinois Board of Higher Education Nursing Faculty Fellowship.

Marsha Prater, Ph.D., RN, NEA-BC, FACHE

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 and patient care delivery across the organization which includes four acute care hospitals, a home services division, a regional behavioral health network, and 80+ primary care practices. Dr. Prater brings over 35 years of nursing and leadership experience 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. 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, and Sigma Theta Tau International.

Theresa E. Towle, DNP, FNP-BC, CNRN

Dr. Theresa Towle is a Family Nurse Practitioner and an Assistant Professor at the University of St. Francis in Joliet, Illinois. Dr. Towle is current faculty with the University of St. Francis in Joliet, Illinois, where she also serves as the Director of the Family Nurse Practitioner program. She has held previous academic appointments with Loyola University Chicago and Rush University, Chicago, Illinois. Clinically, she practices on an as-needed basis with the Indian Health Service in Northern Arizona, providing care for the Native American tribes in and around the Grand Canyon and surrounding Mohave desert.

Dr. Towle's clinical experience is in family practice with additional expertise in advanced pain management, neurology and neurosurgery. However, she has had experience working with most of the medical specialties throughout her vast nursing career.

Professionally, Dr. Towle has served on the Board of Directors for the Illinois Society for Advanced Practice Nursing and has served as the Outreach Director for the International Parkinson & Movement Disorder Society. Currently, she serves on the speakers' bureau for the American Association of Nurse Practitioners (AANP) and the Collaborative On REMS Education (CO*RE) series dedicated to educating nurse practitioners on opioid prescribing and abuse. Most recently, she has published a podcast through AANP on safe opioid prescribing for primary care providers. She is currently a member of the AANP, ISAPN, American Nurses Association and Sigma Theta Tau

International Honor Society for Nursing.

Dr. Towle graduated with her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Indiana University, Master of Science in Nursing from St. Xavier University, and Doctorate of Nursing Practice from Rush University, in Chicago, where she was successful in establishing a multi-disciplinary presence within an international physician organization. She has also received a certificate in Clinical Trials Management from the University of Chicago.