



## IBHE AND NURSING WORKFORCE CENTER RECOGNIZE 2020 NURSE EDUCATOR FELLOWS

**SPRINGFIELD** – The Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) and the IDFPR/Illinois Nursing Workforce Center (INWC) Advisory Board are proud to acknowledge the 2020 Nurse Educator Fellow recipients, each of whom is awarded \$10,000 to help promote excellence in nursing education.

“The projects, research, and plans for additional degrees and certifications that this group of nursing faculty is pursuing is beyond impressive and will allow them to improve their teaching and skills to support the next generation of the nursing workforce,” said Ginger Ostro, executive director of IBHE. “We are proud of each one of this year’s nurse educator fellows and we appreciate Gov. JB Pritzker’s and the Illinois General Assembly’s commitment to this program.”

Several fellows are pursuing master’s and doctorate degrees or certifications, learning new teaching techniques for student nurses, and preparing to present research findings on the national level.

The fellows have created multiple projects including the creation of an online elective course in global health, attended conferences on specific nursing specialties such as vulnerable populations and pediatrics, used technology in health records, purchased CPR equipment for classes, and developed a diabetes and cardiovascular-related resource for clinicians.

The fellows were recognized at a virtual ceremony on June 17, 2020 hosted by the Illinois Nursing Workforce Center (INWC) Advisory Board.



FY20 IBHE Nurse Educator Fellows as seen above on June 17, 2020				
		Elizabeth Moxley, PhD, RN, BS, Northern Illinois University	Amy Funk, PhD, RN-BC, Illinois Wesleyan University	Amy Green, MSN, RN, Morton College
Annie Imboden, DNP, APRN, CPNP, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville	Carla Thomas, DNP, FNP-C, APN, RHIA, CCC-Malcolm X School of Nursing	Daniel Meade, DNP, APRN, AGNP-C, DePaul University	Denise Hammer, DNP, RNC-NIC, Mennonite College of Nursing Illinois State University	Gina Canny, MSN, RN, CNE, TNS, Millikin University
Jennifer Davis, MSN, RN, RNL, Aurora University	Jessica Woloszyk, MSN, RN, CCRN, Elgin Community College	Julie Kennedy, PhD, RN, CMSRN, Millikin University	Katelyn Myroniak, DNP, RN, CMSRN, Lewis University	Kelly McGuire, PhD, RN, Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville
	Rita Wallace, MSN, Ed, RN, Lakeview College of Nursing	Sarah Gouwens, DNP, FNP-BC, Trinity Christian College	Tara Morris, MSN, RN, Heartland Community College	Tina Dorau, MSN, RN, CRRN, CNE, CHSE, St. Xavier University
Yasmin Cavanaugh, DNP, MPH, RN, Resurrection University				



Elizabeth Moxley, NIU, top row:

Not shown: Katherine Hess, RN-BC, Chamberlain University

Illinois and the nation must address the healthcare demands of a growing and aging population at the same time that many experienced nurses will be reaching retirement age. This exacerbates the demand for registered nurses. To help address this concern, Illinois state government is helping to provide the resources necessary to train more highly-skilled nurses in Illinois by retaining qualified faculty.