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National Hartford Centers of Gerontological Nursing Excellence Awards New Fellows, Scholars

The National Hartford Centers of Gerontological Nursing Excellence (NHCGNE), located at The Gerontological Society of America, has announced \$1.2 million in awards to the latest cohort of Claire M. Fagin Fellows and Patricia G. Archbold Scholars studying gerontological nursing in academic settings across the U.S.

Five Claire M. Fagin Fellows will each receive up to \$120,000 to support post-doctoral research training, mentorship, leadership and career development. Six Patricia G. Archbold Scholars will receive grants of up to \$100,000 to support their doctoral training and launch careers in academic gerontological nursing; one-third of these scholars are members of an underrepresented minority group.

Since 2000, the NHCGNE has had the generous backing of the John A. Hartford Foundation, augmented with monies from The Atlantic Philanthropies and the Mayday Fund. These partners have invested over \$80 million in national efforts to build academic gerontological nursing capacity through their support. The initiative has supported 251 predoctoral and postdoctoral nursing scholars who have stimulated excitement about the field among nursing students and practicing nurses. They are the leaders who will shape future care for older persons.

“This program contributes towards important recommendations of the Institute of Medicine’s report on the future of nursing that the nation provide more leadership training and opportunities for nurses and that we increase the number of doctorally prepared nurses,” said NHCGNE Executive Director J Taylor Harden, PhD, RN, FAAN. “These highly skilled scholars are deeply committed to improving health care for aging patients.”

The 2014 cohort of Patricia G. Archbold Scholars and Claire M. Fagin Fellows are a highly qualified group of dedicated gerontological nurses who will strengthen the knowledge base in such areas as family caregiving, home health and hospice care, care for persons with stroke, and critical illness in elders.

2014–2016 Claire M. Fagin Fellows

Kristin Cloyes, University of Utah
Andrea Gilmore-Bykovskiy, University of Wisconsin
Corey Nagel, Oregon Health & Science University
Marci Nilsen, University of Pittsburgh
Melissa O’Connor, Villanova University

2014–2016 Patricia G. Archbold Scholars

Nancy Dudley, University of California San Francisco
Daniel Mick, Oregon Health & Science University
Scott Emory Moore, Clemson University
Darina Petrovsky, University of Pennsylvania
Tina Sadarangani, New York University
Ayasha Stewart, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences

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The National Hartford Centers of Gerontological Nursing Excellence Building Academic Geriatric Nursing Capacity Initiative began in 2000 with support from the John A. Hartford Foundation, and subsequently attracted additional funding partners in The Atlantic Philanthropies and Mayday Fund. The Initiative’s



main goals are to increase the cadre of academic geriatric nurses, build leadership capacity in academic geriatric nurses, and build national collaboration and excitement about geriatric/gerontological nursing.

The Gerontological Society of America (GSA) is the nation's oldest and largest interdisciplinary organization devoted to research, education, and practice in the field of aging. The principal mission of the Society — and its 5,400+ members — is to advance the study of aging and disseminate information among scientists, decision makers, and the general public. GSA's structure also includes a policy institute, the National Academy on an Aging Society, and an educational branch, the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education.

The John A. Hartford Foundation is a private philanthropy working to improve the health of older Americans. After three decades of championing research and education in geriatric medicine, nursing, and social work, today the Foundation pursues opportunities to put geriatrics expertise to work in all health care settings by advancing practice change and innovation, supporting team-based care through interdisciplinary education of all health care providers, supporting policies and regulations that promote better care, and developing and disseminating new evidence-based models that deliver better, more cost-effective health care. The Foundation was established by John A. Hartford in 1929. Mr. Hartford and his brother, George L. Hartford, both former chief executives of the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Company (the A&P grocery chain), left the bulk of their estates to the Foundation upon their deaths in the 1950s. Additional information about the Foundation and its programs is available at www.jhartfound.org.