FAIRFIELD, Conn. (October 21, 2013) – Faculty of Fairfield University's School of Nursing in Connecticut can speak to the most pressing health care issues today, including the Affordable Care Act, end of life care, aging and sexual health, emotional eating, mental health, falling and the elderly, and the care of veterans. One of the distinctions of the Fairfield faculty is that many are advanced practice nurses who spend part of their week seeing patients. This makes them clinical experts in patient care, and fuels their teaching and research endeavors.

Please consider as resources:

**Lynn Babington, Ph.D., RN,**
professor and dean of Fairfield University’s School of Nursing

- Affordable Care Act
- health care leadership
- national task force member on 'Interprofessional Education' (IPE concerns teaching students from different professions in health care to work collaboratively to provide patient-centered care.)
- developing academic partnerships
- nursing education
- working with culturally diverse populations
- providing sustainable health care within developing countries

**Meredith Wallace-Kazer, Ph.D., APRN, FAAN,**
associate dean, professor, director of graduate programs, adult and gerontological nurse practitioner

- aging and sexual health
- the psychosocial needs of men with prostate cancer
- caring for older adults/geriatric patients
- health care leadership

**Sheila Grossman, Ph.D., APRN, FNP-BC, FAAN,**
professor, coordinator of family nurse practitioner track

- managing adults in primary care and in critical care
- pathophysiology topics (the changes associated with disease or injury)
- nursing education (undergraduate and doctoral), nurse practitioner education
- nursing leadership
- mentoring
- enhancing observation and diagnostic skills of nursing students through art
Kathleen Lovanio, MSN, A/FNP-BC,
professor of the practice
• care of veterans and their families, project coordinator for Veterans Administration Nursing Academic Partnership
• preventing falls among older adults
• coordinator for the School of Nursing Health Promotion Center, a community nursing center in Bridgeport

Nancy Manister, DNS, FNP,
assistant professor, family nurse practitioner, and clinical nurse specialist
• maternal/child health
• women's health, obstetrics
• breastfeeding/board certified lactation consultant
• college health and health of clergy
• researches the role of stress in emotional eating and obesity

Joyce Shea, D.N.Sc., APRN, PMHCNS-BC,
associate professor
• psychiatric/mental health/behavioral health
• advanced practice psychiatric nursing
• incarceration of the mentally ill
• recovery in those with schizophrenia
• researches the role of stress in emotional eating and obesity
• integrated behavioral health care
• palliative and end of life care

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