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NUR Planning Committee Update

By Annette DeVito Dabbs, R.N., Ph.D., Planning Committee Chair

I want to take this opportunity to acknowledge the commitment of those who served on the Assembly on NUR Planning Committee this past year. Some of our accomplishments include:

- The development of role descriptions for committee leadership positions within the Assembly on NUR. These descriptions will provide members who are either serving in these roles or who are considering volunteering with a better idea of the responsibilities involved. Our plan is to post links to the various role descriptions on the Assembly on NUR website.
- Updating the Assembly on NUR website to include links to clinical, research and specialty organizations of interest to our Assembly membership.
- The review of new and ongoing projects seeking ATS funding, including those proposed from members of the Assembly on NUR, as well as those proposed by other assemblies that overlap with Assembly on NUR interests.
- Support for the new Gerontology ANA-SNAP project funded by the Hartford Foundation under the direction of Georgia Narsavage, R.N., Ph.D.
- Generating ideas for a "short-term," one-year plan for the Assembly on Nursing in anticipation of further direction and vision from the ATS' Strategic Planning Process, which is currently underway.
- The addition of an industry representative to the Assembly on NUR Planning Committee; Mary Kate Reeves Hoche, Ph.D., Manager of Clinical Quality Assurance at Aventis Pasteur

was the first to fill this position.

I encourage all of the members of the Assembly on NUR and other guests attending the ATS International Conference in May to share any ideas or suggestions for projects or plans for the next year. I gratefully acknowledge the following members of the 2004-2005 Assembly on NUR Planning Committee:

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Kathryn L. Anderson, Ph.D.
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FY2006 Assembly/Committee Project Forms are Available!

For your information, the FY2006 (January 1- December 31, 2006) project application forms for Assembly/Committee projects are

now available on the ATS website at:

<http://www.thoracic.org/assemblies/projectform.asp>

Please consider submitting an application for an Assembly/Committee project. If you have an idea for a project application

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FY2006 Assembly/Committee Project Forms are Available!

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and you need assistance, please contact your Assembly Planning Committee chair Annette De Vito Dabbs, R.N., at ajdst42@pitt.edu

The timeline for the application and review process follows:

March 2005: FY2006 forms are available

July 18, 2005: Assembly/Committee project applications are due to the ATS office. Late submissions or submissions without proper COI disclosures will not be accepted.

early-mid August 2005: abridged versions of the proposals will be posted on the ATS site and emails will be sent to ATS Leadership, Assembly Planning Committee Chairs, Assembly Chairs, ATS Committee Chairs, appropriate ATS staff and the PRS committee, to notify them that the current, un-reviewed proposals are avail-

able. This will give everyone an opportunity to touch base with any of the applicants if they would like to get involved with a project before it goes to the PRS for review.

August 2005: Assembly Planning Committees will meet via conference call to review appropriate proposals. Any proposal that has indicated on the form that a specific ATS committee may want to become involved will be sent to the ATS committee chair and to the appropriate staff member. Committees are encouraged to work with appropriate ATS staff and review any proposals and to send recommendations to the applicant and to the PRS.

September 2nd 2005: Revised proposals and all reviews from Assemblies and Committees are due to ATS office. This includes any proposal that has revisions based on a review

by an Assembly Planning Committee or an ATS Committee.

early October 2005: Program Review Sub-Committee (PRS) meeting

early November 2005: Program & Budget Committee (P&B) meeting. Recommendations from the PRS will be provided to the P&B Committee. At the discretion of the P&B Committee, specific projects will be added to the FY2006 budget as new items.

December: ATS Board reviews FY 2006 Budget

Please contact Elisha Malanga with any questions at tel: 212/315-8693 or email: emalanga@thoracic.org

“The Nurse Competence in Aging” Project American Nurses Association (ANA)/Specialty Nursing Association (SNA) “Partners in Geriatrics Grant”

By Georgia Narsavage, Ph.D., R.N., C.S., Assembly on Nursing Committee Chair

“The Nurse Competence in Aging” project was initiated to help organizations move forward with activities to educate their members about the unique needs of older adults and to develop geriatric-care projects related to the needs of the specialty practice area. One of the project’s main initiatives was the development of GeroNurseOnline.org, a sophisticated online resource for nurses who wish to learn more about geriatric syndromes, their possible causes and treatment options. The ATS Assembly on Nursing (NUR) participated with 25 other national specialty nursing associations on October 4 and 5, 2004, in New York City, for an unprecedented meeting during which they shared their approaches to elder care and reached a higher level of commitment to integrating geriatric best practices within their ongoing educational activities.

In December 2004, the Specialty Nursing Association (SNA) “Partners in Geriatrics Grant coordinator for the ATS Assembly on NUR, Georgia Narsavage, Ph.D., R.N., C.S., and leaders of the ATS Assembly on NUR (including Kathryn Anderson, Ph.D., R.N., Gerene Bauldoff, Ph.D., Annette DeVito Dabbs, R.N., Suzanne Lareau, R.N., M.S., and Janet Larson, Ph.D.), met with consultant Barbara Resnick, Ph.D., C.R.N.P., following the ATS Board meeting in Washington, D.C., to:

(1) do a needs assessment to incorporate geriatrics into ATS association statements prepared by the Assembly on NUR. All statements needed some revision; one statement on "Home Care for Patients with Respiratory Disorders" needed only slight revisions and has been

submitted for publication as an approved ATS Statement; (2) provide activities to enhance specialty nurses' competence, including geriatric-related symposia and workshops at annual meetings/conferences. A list of topics and plans for programming were generated; and (3) develop a structure for identifying association members with an interest in and/or knowledge of geriatrics. A member survey was posted on the ATS Assembly on NUR website and the resulting data is being reviewed.

We also are working to designate a recipient of the "Nurse Competence in Aging Award," which will be given to a member who has demonstrated outstanding commitment to care for older adults through research or practice. Moreover, we have requested approval

“The Nurse Competence in Aging” Project American Nurses Association (ANA)/ Specialty Nursing Association (SNA) “Partners in Geriatrics Grant” Cont’d

By Georgia Narsavage, Ph.D., R.N., C.S., Assembly on Nursing Committee Chair

to appoint Lynn Fukushima, M.S.N., as a “Web Fellow” for the grant. We will provide you with an update at the

Assembly on NUR meeting during the ATS International Conference in San Diego, California, on Monday, May

23, 2005. Please plan to celebrate with us.

Research Priorities in Respiratory Nursing

By Janet L. Larson, Ph.D.

The ATS Assembly on Nursing (NUR) statement on “Research Priorities in Respiratory Nursing” is in the process of being revised and will soon go to the ATS Board of Directors for approval.

The first and second versions of this statement were published in 1990 and 1998; this will be the third update. This document is designed to inform funding agencies and to guide new investigators. Initial work on the third statement began in May 2003 and the first draft was completed early in 2004. External reviews were completed in January 2005 and revisions

will be completed by the end of April 2005. The statement’s major priorities are outlined below.

Risk Assessment and Risk Modification

Health disparities

Tobacco use

Work-related pulmonary disease

Genetic predictors of risk

Disease Self-Management

Symptom perception and management

Adherence to therapy

Outcomes

Functional status

Quality of life
Quality of Care

Health policy

System-based care

Acute/critical care processes

End-of-life care

The Statement Task Force members are as follows: Janet L. Larson, Ph.D., R.N. (Chair); Karen Ahijevych, Ph.D., R.N.; Audrey Gift, Ph.D., R.N.; Leslie Hoffman, Ph.D., R.N.; Susan Janson, D.N.Sc., R.N.; Dorothy Lanuza, Ph.D., R.N.; Nancy Leidy, Ph.D., R.N.; Paula Meek, Ph.D., R.N.; Julie Roberts, D.N.Sc, R.N.; Terri Weaver, Ph.D., R.N.; and Lorrie Yoos, Ph.D., C.P.N.P.

Mary Ellen Wewers, Ph.D., M.P.H.,

At Ohio State University (OSU), Mary Ellen Wewers, Ph.D., M.P.H., R.N., serves as the Mildred E. Newton Professor of Nursing in the College of Nursing, as Professor of Medicine in the School of Public Health and as Co-Leader for Cancer Control in OSU’s Comprehensive Cancer Center Program.

She earned a doctorate in nursing from the University of Maryland in 1985, and then trained as a nurse practitioner in primary care at the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences in Little Rock, Arkansas. Dr. Wewers also holds a master’s

degree in public health from Harvard University’s School of Public Health in Boston, Massachusetts. Her undergraduate degree is from Saint Louis University in Missouri.

Dr. Wewer’s dissertation work focused on the relapse among ex-smokers. Her later tobacco-related research, which has focused primarily on underserved smokers, has been funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) since 1988.

Dr. Wewers served as a nurse scientist on the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (AHCPR) in

1996 and Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) in 2000, expert panels that developed the U.S. Public Health Service’s “Clinical Practice Tobacco Cessation Guideline.” Most recently, she has been funded to study tobacco cessation among rural Appalachians who smoke and use smokeless tobacco. Her current research tests a nurse-managed, lay-led model of cessation that involves partnerships with community health departments and county extension agents.

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She is also co-director and co-investigator on a recently funded NCI P50 award titled, the "Center for Population Health and Health Disparities: Reducing Cervical Cancer." Her work on this initiative includes the investigation of tobacco use and cessation among Appalachian women who are also at risk for cervical disease. Moreover, she serves as co-director of OSU's Nursing Center for Tobacco Intervention (with Karen Ahijevych, Ph.D., who is also a member of the ATS Assembly on Nursing or NUR).

Dr. Wewers attended her first ATS Conference in Anaheim, Califor-

nia, in 1985. She has been an active member of the Assembly on NUR (formerly the called the Section on Nursing) and has served the Assembly in a variety of ways, including as Section Secretary, Nursing Research Priorities Committee member (1990) and Chair (1998), and Assembly Chair. In the past, she has also participated as a member of the ATS International Scientific Meeting Program Committee, the Postgraduate Education Committee, the Program Review Committee, the Nominating Committee and the Awards Committee. She is currently a member of the Program and Budget Committee.

Dr. Wewers and her husband, Mark Wewers, also an ATS member and Professor in the Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine at OSU, have raised three children: Elizabeth Molnar, an attorney who currently serves as a law clerk in Cleveland, Ohio; Dan, who is close to completing a Ph.D. in history at Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Katherine, an Indiana University alumna, who will graduate from the American Academy of Dramatic Arts this May. Dr. Wewers and Mark were delighted to become the grandparents of Julia Molnar in March 2004.

NUR Asthma Special Interest Group

Jane Z. Reardon, MSN, Co-Chair

The 2005 Asthma Special Interest Group, co-chaired by Jane Reardon and Stuart Tousman, will meet at the ATS International Conference in San Diego. The meeting will be held on Sunday, May 22nd, 2005 in the Madeleine A-B Room at the Manchester Grand Hyatt Hotel in San

Diego. Breakfast will be provided beginning at 6:45am. The meeting will begin promptly at 6:50am and conclude at 8:15am. We gratefully acknowledge the continuing sponsorship of this meeting by both the American Thoracic Society and GlaxoSmithKline. **As always, we**

would be delighted if you extended this invitation to other health professionals who have a shared interest in asthma programs, management, education, research and certification.

ATS Pulmonary Rehabilitation Section

The ATS Pulmonary Rehabilitation Section Meeting will be held on Sunday, May 22, 2005 from 12:00 to 1:30pm at the Manchester Grand Hyatt, Randle Ballroom A, Level 4. The Manchester Grand Hyatt is located at 1 Market Place. A light lunch will be served. Please plan on joining us!

The meeting will include important section updates. Please visit the ATS website to view the Pulmonary Rehabilitation Section agenda and Pulmonary Rehabilitation Sessions at the ATS In-

ternational Conference in San Diego (agenda items are also listed below):

http://www.thoracic.org/assemblies/pr/pr_rehab.asp

Please send Jane Reardon any ideas you may have for expanding our PR WEB site or adding important agenda items.

Thank You.

Dr. Roger Goldstein, Co-Chair, ATS Pulmonary Rehabilitation Section
Jane Reardon, RN, MSN, Co-Chair, ATS Pulmonary Rehabilitation Section
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Agenda items:

Pulmonary Rehabilitation Section Update:
" Approval of Minutes from 2004 Meeting: Roger Goldstein

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ATS Pulmonary Rehabilitation Section

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" International conference participation and programming: Roger Goldstein, Rich Casaburi

" Section membership update: Jane Reardon

" Website update: Jane Reardon

" Joint ATS - ERS Pulmonary Rehabilitation statement: Linda Nici

" Publication in Respiratory Medicine (Suppl. from Trevi Conference): Linda Nici

" Section's request for change to Assembly status (Update): Chris Garvey, Rich Casaburi

" Section's activities regarding meeting educational needs of members: Roger Goldstein

" Reimbursement and Legislative Update: Gary Ewart

" LVRS Update: implementation and reimbursement: Chris Garvey and Gary Ewart

" Proposals for Topics for ATS 2006 - San Diego (Year 2)

Co-chairs: Jane Reardon, RN, MSN (Year 1)

Roger Goldstein, MD (Year 2)

Chair Elect: Richard Casaburi (rotates on as co-chair at this meeting)

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Sessions Sponsored by the Assembly on Nursing

POSTGRADUATE COURSE			
<u>Saturday, May 21</u>			
PG22	NEW MODALITIES OF PULMONARY REHABILITATION IN COPD	8:00 AM	4:00 PM
YEAR IN REVIEW			
<u>Monday, May 23</u>			
B71	NURSING YEAR IN REVIEW	1:30 PM	4:15 PM
SYMPOSIA			
<u>Monday, May 23</u>			
B5	TOBACCO ADDICTION AND TREATMENT: CURRENT AND EMERGING FINDINGS FROM BENCH TO BEHAVIOR	8:15 AM	11:00 AM
<u>Wednesday, May 25</u>			
D77	INNOVATIVE PHYSIOLOGICAL INTERVENTIONS IN PULMONARY REHABILITATION	1:30 PM	4:15 PM
SUNRISE SEMINARS			
<u>Monday, May 23</u>			
SS114	THE USE OF TELEMONITORING TO IMPROVE SPIROMETRY QUALITY IN PRIMARY CARE AND THE HOME SETTING		
<u>Tuesday, May 24</u>			
SS215	THE WHY AND HOW OF UPPER LIMB EXERCISE TRAINING		
MEET THE PROFESSOR SEMINARS			
<u>Sunday, May 22</u>			
MP414	ANTIBIOTIC THERAPY FOR HIV PATIENTS: PNEUMONIA PROPHYLAXIS AND HAART INTERACTIONS	12:00 PM	1:00 PM
<u>Tuesday, May 24</u>			
MP614	BODIES IN MOTION: AN UPDATE ON MONITORING DAILY ACTIVITY WITH MOTION SENSORS IN CHRONIC PULMONARY DISEASE	12:00 PM	1:00 PM
MINI SYMPOSIA			
<u>Sunday, May 22</u>			
A16	EDUCATIONAL INTERVENTIONS AND EFFECTS ON PATIENT CARE	8:15 AM	11:00 AM
<u>Monday, May 23</u>			
B83	PSYCHOSOCIAL ASPECTS OF LUNG DISEASE <i>(with the Assembly on Behavioral Science)</i>	1:30 pm	4:15 pm
<u>Tuesday, May 24</u>			
C87	OUTCOMES IN PULMONARY REHABILITATION	1:30 PM	4:15 PM

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POSTER DISCUSSION SESSIONS

<u>Sunday, May 22</u>			
A26	PULMONARY REHABILITATION AND MULTIDISCIPLINARY COPD PROGRAMS	8:15 AM	11:00 AM
A91	ASSESSING ASTHMA SEVERITY AND CONTROL: PATIENT AND PROVIDER PERSPECTIVES <i>(with the Assembly on Behavioral Science)</i>	1:30 pm	4:15 pm
<u>Monday, May 23</u>			
B25	SYMPTOM ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT	8:15 AM	11:00 AM
<u>Tuesday, May 24</u>			
C22	FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH ADHERENCE AND MANAGEMENT SKILLS <i>(with the Assembly on Behavioral Science)</i>	8:15 am	11:00 am
<u>Wednesday, May 25</u>			
D97	CLINICAL ASTHMA MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS	1:30 PM	4:15 PM
THEMATIC POSTER SESSIONS			
<u>Sunday, May 22</u>			
A39	ENVIRONMENTAL, PSYCHOSOCIAL AND BEHAVIORAL FACTORS RELATED TO LUNG DISEASE <i>(with the Assembly on Behavioral Science)</i>	8:15 am	4:15 pm
A52	SMOKING PREVENTION, EDUCATION AND CESSATION	8:15 AM	4:15 PM
<u>Tuesday, May 23</u>			
C46	END OF LIFE AND PALLIATIVE CARE	8:15 AM	4:15 PM

Patients to Speak At Fourteen Designated ATS International Conference Symposia

The Public Advisory Roundtable (PAR) has selected patients to provide a patient perspective at fourteen of the 2005 ATS International Conference Symposia. This concept has worked exceptionally well within the format of the PAR Symposia for the last three years and at nine ATS symposia at the 2004 International Conference in Orlando.

This is the second year that patient speakers will participate within the

Assemblies' Symposia. The patients will make a five-minute presentation at the symposia to offer insight into their personal journeys; to address their diagnosis, treatment, and how the disease has dramatically altered their lifestyles, family, career and relationships. They will share their insight into what patients would like physicians and researchers to know about physician/patient relationships; and the importance and relevance of the work in which

investigators and researchers are engaged.

The symposia at which a patient-perspective will be presented are listed below:

ASSEMBLY	SESSION CODE	SESSION TITLE	DATE/TIME
All	B7	Severe Asthma: Advancing Our Understanding of a Distinct Phenotype	Monday, May 23 8:15 am-11:00 am
BS	A6	What are the Causes of Health Disparities in Lung Diseases and What Can We do About Them?	Sunday, May 22 8:15 am-11:00 am
CP	C3	Sarcoidosis: How to Manage the Difficult Clinical Problems	Tuesday, May 24 8:15 am-11:00 am
CP	B72	The Scleroderma Lung Study: Lessons for Interstitial Lung Disease	Monday, May 23 1:30 pm-4:15 pm
CC	D74	Theory and Practice: Managing the Brain in Mechanically Ventilated Patients	Wednesday, May 25 1:30 pm-4:15 pm

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EOH	A77	Sex and Gender Issues in Obstructive Lung Disease	Sunday, May 22 1:30 pm-4:15 pm
MTPI	D7	Airway Infections: Pathogenesis and Consequences	Wednesday, May 25 8:15 am-11:00 am
NRSG	B5	Tobacco Addiction and Treatment: Current and Emerging Findings from Bench to Behavior	Monday, May 23 8:15 am-11:00 am
NRSG	D77	Innovative Physiological Interventions in Pulmonary Rehabilitation	Wednesday, May 25 1:30 pm-4:15 pm
PED	D5	Respiratory Care of the Patient with Neuromuscular Weakness	Wednesday, May 25 8:15 am-11:00 am
PED	B9	New Developments and Advances in Pediatric Interstitial Lung Disease	Monday, May 23 8:15 am-11:00 am
PC	C10	Pro-Con Debates in Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension	Tuesday, May 24 8:15 am-11:00 am
RCMB	C8	Targeting Lung Cancer: Novel Molecular Targets and Treatment Strategies	Tuesday, May 24 8:15 am-11:00 am
RNS	A8	Moving Toward Best Practice: Where Does the Diagnosis and Treatment Of Sleep Apnea Fit in the Care of Heart Failure?	Sunday, May 22 8:15 am-11:00 am

PAR Symposium

The Public Advisory Roundtable (PAR) is pleased to announce the fourth PAR Symposium to be presented at the ATS International Conference in San Diego on Wednesday, May 25, 2005, from 8:15-11:00 a.m. Dr. Homer Boushey and Dr. John D. Newell will Chair the PAR Symposium "Imaging the Lungs in Research and Care". The PAR is excited to present the following speakers:

- Charles White, MD - "Keynote Address -New Technologies applied to an Understanding of Lung Disease"
- Michael Gotway, MD - "Radiologic-Anatomic Correlations"
- John Newell, MD - "Quantitative CT scanning in longitudinal studies of emphysema"
- Jim Hogg, MD - "The nature of small-airway obstruction in chronic obstructive pulmonary disease"
- Jonathan Goldin, MD, PhD - "Radiologic Assessment of interstitial pulmonary fibrosis"
- David L. Levin MD, PhD - "MR imaging of Pulmonary Blood Flow"
- Eric Hoffman, PhD - "Regional Characterization of Lung Structure and Function via Micro and Multidetector CT: New Views for New Insights"
- Asgar Dirksen, MD, PhD - "Repeatability of lung density measurements with low-dose CT"

Three patients will share their experience by describing their personal journey with their specific illness. Our goal is to increase the awareness of physicians and researchers to the major life challenges and alterations faced by patients with a serious and sometimes little known disorder.

PAR's Annual Poster Session will be open from Sunday, May 22 until

Wednesday, May 25, 2005 at the Center Terrace of the San Diego Convention Center. Public Interest Organizations (PIO's) concerned with lung and sleep disorders will present information about their organizations. A representative from each organization will be present at the poster session to provide additional information.

Nursing Membership Meeting

Monday May 23rd 4:30-6:30pm

**Manchester Grand Hyatt
Ford A-C
(Level 3)**

The **Assembly on Nursing and the Behavioral Science Assembly** have scheduled a reception for Monday, May 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the Marina G room of the San Diego Marriott Hotel and Marina. The featured speaker will be Suzanne C. Lareau, RN, MS from New Mexico VA Health Care System and Marilyn Abraham, MS from Tucson, Arizona. The evening will be dedicated to 100 Years of Nursing. This reception is supported by a grant from the Novartis and Alpha One Foundation. To make a reservation for this dinner, send an e-mail before April 30 to nur@thoracic.org.

Seating is limited.