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MESSAGE FROM THE ASSEMBLY CHAIR

Dear Colleagues,

As I reflect on my time serving as the ATS Assembly on Nursing chair, the first word that comes to mind is “**proud**”. I am immensely **proud** of our members and their many contributions to our Assembly, to ATS, as well as your efforts to ‘*help the world breathe*’. We are **immensely proud** of Eileen Collins, PhD, RN, ATSF, FAAN being named the 2020 recipient of the Elizabeth Rich Award, a prestigious ATS award.

Our Assembly Executive Committee has regularly discussed strategies to increase our Assembly membership during our monthly teleconferences. I have asked Jill Guttormson, Chair of Planning Committee, to lead efforts around strategies to increase membership. Be sure to read Jill’s Planning Committee updates in this newsletter. Please share any perspectives you may have with Jill around this important topic.

For the third straight year, our Assembly was once again a winner for the annual **Assembly Challenge**. I was **exceedingly proud** to accept a plaque (See photo in newsletter) for the highest percentage of Assembly members making a contribution to the ATS Foundation in support of research grants. We actually exceeded the 2019 contribution percentage (18%) to 20.3% of our Assembly members contributing!!! Thank you to all of our Assembly members who contributed on behalf of research grants. Let’s keep the momentum going and be ‘Winners’ again in 2021! Watch closely for more details on the upcoming ATS Research Grants cycle! Remember: you have 0% chance of being funded if you don’t submit a Letter of Intent.



Assembly Chair: Linda L. Chlan, PhD, RN, ATSF



Awardee: Eileen G. Collins, PhD, ATSF



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Message from the Assembly Chair (continued)

Typically this time of year, we should have gathered for the 2020 International Conference in Philadelphia, PA. Unfortunately, our world has changed dramatically due to COVID-19. As we look forward with hope to the 'next normal' despite the uncertainty about the global COVID-19 pandemic, the work of the ATS with its dedicated staff and members continues. We must continue to support one another!

As I prepare to turn over the Assembly on Nursing chair role to Wanda Gibson-Scipio, we have many accomplishments for which we are **proud!** While we may be the smallest ATS Assembly in terms of membership numbers, we are a mighty strong group!! It has been a sincere honor and privilege to lead our Assembly these past two years.

With gratitude,



PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

Jill Lynn Guttormson, PhD, Chair

The purpose of the Planning Committee is to develop strategies that support the goals and objectives of the Assembly. The committee is currently focusing on the following goals:

- Supporting development of ATS Project proposals submitted by Assembly members
- Increasing recognition of nursing at ATS through nomination of Nursing Assembly Members for ATS Awards
- Increasing Nursing Assembly membership
- Increasing the value of Nursing Assembly for our current members

Our committee has developed a survey that will be sent to all nurses in ATS this Fall. The survey will help us determine how our assembly can best serve the needs of our current members and attract new members to our assembly.

Please contact Jill Guttormson (jill.guttormson@marquette.edu) if you have any questions regarding committee work or would be interested in serving on this committee.

Official American Thoracic Society Document Published!!!

We are extremely proud of this work led by Maureen George, Carme Hernandez, Sheree Smith, Georgia Narsavage, Mary Kapella and Margaret Carno. This official ATS project developed an international research agenda to inform, guide, and aid nurse scientists, educators, and providers, and to advise agencies that provide research and program funding in pulmonary, critical care, and sleep

Nursing Research Priorities in Critical Care, Pulmonary, and Sleep: International Delphi Survey of Nurses, Patients, and Caregivers An Official American Thoracic Society Workshop Report

8 Maureen George, Carme Hernandez, Sheree Smith, Georgia Narsavage, Mary C. Kapella, Margaretann Carno, Jill Guttormson, Rebecca T. Disler, Diana E. Hart, Linda L. Chlan, Mary Beth Happ, Zijing Chen, Breanna Hetland, Ana F. Hutchinson, Helga Jonsdottir, Nancy S. Redeker, Hildy Schell-Chaple, Monica Fletcher, and Janelle Yorke; on behalf of the American Thoracic Society Assembly on Nursing

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PROGRAM COMMITTEE REPORT

Ann-Marie Russell, MScN, Chair, Nina Elise Bracken, ACNPC, MSN, Chair-Elect

Greeting from Anne Marie Russell, Program Chair and Nina Bracken, Program Chair elect!

Nina Bracken steps into the role of Program Committee chair in May and will be starting a new venture providing mentorship to Kari Hatfield, our Program Committee apprentice. The apprenticeship program will help to de-mystify formal ATS committee appointments and provide skills to the next generation of committee and assembly leaders.

The Program Committee is working with ATS leadership to offer two Nursing-led symposia (*Advancing care quality for adult home oxygen patients* and *Palliative care in chronic respiratory disease: a state of the science*) as well as our Nursing Year in Review (*Complementary health approaches for patient-reported symptoms in pulmonary, critical care, and sleep medicine*) through online platforms. Stay tuned for dates and times from the ATS!

Be sure to be thinking about how best to feature your work through the submission of a session proposal or abstract for ATS 2021! Session proposals for ATS International Conference 2021 will be due at the end of July. Watch for the specific submission deadline.

WEB/ SOCIAL MEDIA COMMITTEE REPORT

Lauren Castro, APN, MSN, RM, Chair

- We continue to use social media, primarily Twitter, to share relevant information to our assembly members. Please follow us @ATSNursing
- Our Nursing Assembly website (<https://www.thoracic.org/members/assemblies/assemblies/nur/>) is a hub of information for our members. We have updated several sections including news and member profiles in the past year.
- Our committee has continued to create and share new podcasts over the past year. Take a listen here: <https://www.thoracic.org/members/assemblies/assemblies/nur/podcasts.php>

If you have new podcast ideas or would like to share new publications or announcements, please email Lauren Castro at LSCHRA3@uic.edu

EARLY CAREER PROFESSIONALS WORKING GROUP REPORT

Lynn Baniak, PhD, RN, Chair

The Early Career Professionals Working Group (ECPWG) is committed to providing resources for students, fellows, and, junior faculty to increase their professional success during the ATS International Conference and beyond. This year we focused on expanding those resources. Highlights of the group's activities include:

APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM – We are excited to announce that the Assembly on Nursing is participating in the apprenticeship program for the first time this year! Apprentices receive the opportunity for a 1-year "behind the scenes" look at the operations of the assembly while developing skills for the development and evaluation of committee projects and applications. Two apprentices were selected this year, one for the Program and one for the Planning Committees.

MENTORING PROGRAM - The Mentoring Program is back again at ATS 2020. This unique mentoring approach provides the opportunity for ATS members to take advantage of a 1:1 mentoring session. We encourage all Assembly on Nursing members, new or experienced, to become a future mentor or mentee (or both!). To participate, complete a brief mentoring survey on the ATS website that helps to match mentoring pairs.

If you are interested in joining the ECPWG, please contact Lynn Baniak at baniakl@pitt.edu for more information.

OXYGEN THERAPY INTEREST GROUP REPORT

Susan S. Jacobs, MS, RN, FAAN, Chair

The ATS Oxygen SIG is a unique forum that brings together clinicians, patients, researchers and advocacy organizations to improve care quality for patients using supplemental oxygen. Please contact Susan Jacobs at ssjpuhm@stanford.edu for more information.

INTEGRATIVE THERAPY INTEREST GROUP REPORT

Tania T. Von Visger, APRN, CCRN, MSN, PCCN, Co-Chair

Asha V. Devereaux, MD, MPH, Co-Chair

Interest Group Webpage: <https://www.thoracic.org/members/assemblies/interest-groups/integrative-therapy.php>

MULTIDISCIPLINARY MEMBERS: Asha Devereaux, MD; Tania Von Visger, PhD, APRN, (NURS) Valerie Chang-Hawaii-US COPD Coalition; Ni-Cheng Liang, MD. Taimoor Zahir (ATS staff member); Sumit Bhargava, MD -Peds Pulm/Sleep-Stanford, Karen Ericson-Alpha 1 foundation, Bhavik Kahn, MD-IU-Pul/CC/LTAC (music feasibility-critical care), Prashant Muthu, MD, Mang Yu, MD

A few highlights from this very active Interest Group include:

ATS 2020 International Conference Activities:

The content of this program will be converted to a 60-minute webinar presentation format. More detail information will be provided with the anticipation for August 2020 completion.

2020 Nursing Year in Review – Complementary Health Approaches for Patient-Reported Symptoms in Pulmonary, Critical Care, and Sleep Medicine

- Breath-Body-Mind integration: a holistic and creative approach to refractory breathlessness
- Singing: an integrative approach for symptom management and quality of life in IPF
- Reiki for pain and anxiety in ICU and acutely ill pediatric patients
- Mindful Movement Therapy for Pulmonary Patients

Writing a Textbook/ Manual on Integrative Therapy to promote Lung Health In Progress

Integrative Therapy (IT) Education patient education series

- IT use in Critical Care – being finalized
- IT use in Sleep – being finalized
- IT (Mindfulness) use for Anxiety and Panic symptoms in COPD – under reviewed ATS editors

Integrative Therapy (IT) Podcast Series

- Introduction to Integrative Therapy – completed 11/4/19
- Tai-Chi vs. Pulmonary Rehab for COPD
- Mindfulness in COPD – plan for recording 5/18/20
- Ayurveda Therapy – the basic
- Ayurveda Therapy- Implementation in Clinical Settings

Free Patient Fact Sheets!

The ATS Patient Information Series contains over 150 high quality, patient-friendly fact sheets on topics such as COPD, PFTs, OSA, and special topics such as COVID-19. These fact sheets are free and accessible from the ATS Website at www.thoracic.org/patients If you would like to serve as an author, reviewer, or have topic suggestions, contact Judy Corn, ATS Staff, at jcorn@thoracic.org



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Spread the word: Apply for a Research Grant

- Last year, ATS awarded 25 grants totaling over \$1.2 million
- Two grants are accepting applications now
 - ATS/CHEST Foundation Research Grant in Diversity
 - ATS/GSK Research Grant in COVID-19
 - Application Deadline June 23rd
- Annual Grant Portfolio opens June 1st
 - Letter of Intent Deadline August 25th

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ATS Giving Opportunities

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- **MECOR:** improving global health through research and education
- **Ziskind Clinical Research Scholar Awards:** recognizing outstanding clinical researchers
- **Assembly Awards & Scholarships:** supporting ATS assembly awards and scholarships
- **Assembly Programs:** supporting ATS Assembly programmatic activities
- **Medical Education Research:** fueling novel educational approaches for training medical residents, fellows, and junior faculty
- **Philip Hopewell Prize for Global Respiratory Health Research:** recognizing early-career investigators from developing countries for their published research in a peer-reviewed journal

Reminder: *The ATS Foundation dissolved in February, 2020. All Foundation programs are now part of the ATS*



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