

THE CENTER FOR COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS AND NURSING INNOVATION



UTHSC COLLEGE OF NURSING

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Dr. Sara Day has served as the Director of Nursing Education and the Director of International Nursing at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, associate professor at University of Alabama at Birmingham, School of Nursing, and Director of Nursing Research and Evidence-based Practice at Children's Hospital of Alabama. Dr. Day's career has focused on the development, implementation and management of nursing programs and models. She has worked to empower nurses to provide quality nursing care, and created programs to advance the nursing work environment through education and improvement in quality standards. Her research has affected policy at local, national and international levels. In 2014, she was inducted as a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing for her significant national and international contributions to nursing and health care.

THE UTHSC COLLEGE OF NURSING



Offering a broad range of postgraduate and selected baccalaureate training opportunities, the main UTHSC campus is located in Memphis and includes six colleges: Dentistry, Graduate Health Sciences, Health Professions, Medicine, Nursing and Pharmacy.

The mission of the UTHSC College of Nursing is to prepare nurse leaders and to advance science to meet the needs of the people of Tennessee, the Mid-South region, and the nation through education, research, clinical care and public service. With more than 5,400 alumni, our College of Nursing has prepared about 2,000 nurses now practicing in Tennessee, and we are the leading producer of graduate nurses and nursing faculty for the region. The college has been cited several times on the U.S. News & World Report list of America's Best Graduate Schools.

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HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER
COLLEGE OF NURSING

The College of Nursing at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center

Center for Community Partnerships and Nursing Innovation

The mission of the **Center for Community Partnerships and Nursing Innovation** is to develop sustainable partnerships with health systems in Memphis, the Mid-South, and throughout Tennessee; advance integrated health care systems; reduce health disparities; and improve health outcomes. The center offers education and support for evidence-based practice, nurse preceptors, graduate nurse programs, nurse scholar programs, nursing fellowships, and quality improvement. The center is under the direction of Sara Day, PhD, RN, FAAN.

THE CENTER'S SERVICES ARE INDIVIDUALIZED TO MEET THE SPECIFIC NEEDS OF YOUR STAFF AND PATIENTS

EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE SERVICES

- Assist with developing and implementing an evidence-based practice program
- Enhance evidence-based practice knowledge and skills to improve quality of care and patient/family outcomes
- Provide site assessment to establish evidence-based practice needs
- Assist staff in translating evidence-based practice into the practice setting

QUALITY IMPROVEMENT SERVICES

- Support for specific interventions to improve nursing quality indicators, including falls, pressure ulcers, central line catheter-associated blood stream infections, and urinary catheter-associated infections

NURSE PRECEPTOR SERVICES

Provide preceptors education and training on:

- Preceptor role
- Novice to expert
- Learning styles and adult learning
- Components of effective preceptorship
- Competency evaluation
- Crucial conversations and conflict resolution

GRADUATE NURSE RESIDENCY PROGRAMS SERVICES

- Program assessment and recommendations
- Curriculum development
- Methods of program evaluation
- Support for evidence-based practice projects

NURSE SCHOLAR PROGRAM

Objectives of the nurse scholar program include:

- Recognize nursing's key role in the generation and dissemination of knowledge
- Develop quality improvement and evidence-based practice skills
- Develop and implement initiatives and projects relevant to clinical and quality needs of your institution
- Develop and advance innovative strategies to build and strengthen nursing practice
- Gain knowledge and skills specific to the patient population you serve

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Our center is an accredited provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center Commission on Accreditation. We offer a variety of courses for nurses at all levels of practice. Our calendar of courses is available at uthsc.edu/nursing/continuing-education.php.

POST-DNP NURSE PRACTITIONER FELLOWSHIPS

The UTHSC College of Nursing will collaborate with your institution to establish a Post-DNP Nurse Practitioner Fellowship. The 12-month fellowship program provides opportunities to expand clinical skills by working with interprofessional teams to facilitate optimum health care outcomes, manage symptomatology and complications, broaden scientific background, and extend the potential for clinical research.

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