



NIH Clinical Center Nursing Department Oncology and Critical Care Leadership Biosketch

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Biosketch

Diane Aker is the Senior Nurse Manager for the 3 NE Nursing Unit within the Nursing Department at the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Clinical Center in Bethesda, Maryland. As the Senior Manager, she manages a busy Hematology, Oncology, Blood and Marrow Transplant (BMT) inpatient unit that specializes in the care of patients with hematological and oncologic diseases, including those patients requiring stem cell transplantation. This 26 bed oncology inpatient unit supports the research of the National Cancer Institute (NCI), National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI) and the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID). CAPT Aker provides oversight of the daily operations, planning and advising of the programs of care within her specialty areas. She works closely with the multidisciplinary teams within her areas of service and supports the agenda for inpatient services regarding clinical research nursing.

CAPT Aker came back to the Clinical Center in 2008 and has served in the role of Senior Nurse Manager for the Metabolic Unit and Suites as well as the Medical/Surgical Day Hospital and the Medical/Surgical Oncology unit and as Acting Nurse Manager for the Medical Oncology Unit. Her previous assignments within the United States Public Health Service have included Associate Director of Operations for the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Immigration Services; Chief Health Services and Assistant Health Services Administrator for Health Services and Resources Administration (HRSA); Staff Nurse for HRSA and Clinical Research Nurse at the NIH, Clinical Center where she began her nursing career in 1990.

CAPT Aker's other accomplishments include successful recruitment over a period of 12 months to decrease a vacancy rate to 0% for the Hematology/Oncology Transplant Unit with a previous sustained vacancy rate of 30% during 2009/2010. She also provided mentoring and oversight for 2 junior acting nurse managers to assist and coordinate program activities within the Oncology program of care. She has served as the Nursing Department representative for the Clinical Center Medical Records Committee and the Nurse Manager Representative for Nursing Documentation Sub-Committee revising current nursing documentation flow sheets. She is passionate about her duties as a nurse and is always willing and available to assist in the development of her fellow nurses whether as a Nurse Manager at NIH or as an officer for the U.S. Public Health Service.



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Shawna Oliver-Wilder is a Clinical Manager for the inpatient Hematology/Oncology/Transplant Unit within the Nursing Department at the National Institutes of Health, Clinical Center in Bethesda, Maryland. As the Clinical Manager her responsibilities include planning, monitoring and ensuring the accuracy of staff scheduling, payroll and patient care assignments. Ms. Oliver-Wilder is also responsible for collaborating with the Nurse Manager regarding bed management concerns and working with the interdisciplinary teams to improve protocol integrity and ensuring the work flow of the unit.

Ms. Oliver-Wilder started her career as a registered nurse at Riverview Medical Center where she discovered her passion for the specialty of Oncology Nursing. After her first two years as a bedside nurse, she decided to become a travel nurse. She was a travel nurse for 4 years but never gave up her passion for oncology. Ms. Oliver-Wilder came to the National Institutes of Health as a travel nurse in 2008 and decided to become a part of the NIH family in 2009 as a Hematology/ Oncology/Transplant Clinical Research Nurse. From 2009 to 2011 she worked as a Clinical Research Nurse on the Hematology/Oncology/Transplant Unit and served as a Charge Nurse, a representative for the Fall Risk Committee, and worked with the scheduling committee. During this time she also completed her coursework and received her BSN from the Medical University of South Carolina in 2009. Ms. Oliver-Wilder then served in the role of acting Clinical Manager on this unit from 2011 to 2013 and was then promoted to a Senior Clinical Research nurse in 2013. She was promoted to her current position as Team Lead/Clinical Manager in 2014.





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Biosketch

Nicole Ritzau is a clinical manager on the 26 bed Hematology/Oncology/Blood and Marrow Transplant (BMT) unit at the National Institutes of Health. She earned a bachelor's degree in biology from Villanova University and began working in healthcare at a statistical and data management company. As a project director/data manager she coordinated training of nurse coordinators and medical researchers at multiple sites, managed study data and assisted researchers with preparation for IRB submissions. In that role she became interested in nursing and attended the University Of Maryland School Of Nursing and earned a BSN. Beginning at Georgetown University Hospital, she worked with solid organ transplant patients and then moved to the National Institutes of Health (NIH) where she worked as a clinical research nurse for several years before transitioning to the clinical manager role.

Nicole Ritzau has been involved in leadership activities within her unit as a preceptor for new staff, charge nurse, primary nurse, and protocol coordinator, serving as the liaison between the unit staff and NIH institute researchers. She has also been involved in the shared governance structure within the Clinical Center as a unit representative since 2011 and currently as chair of the Clinical Practice Committee. Through her experience in research management and direct patient care she has brought a varied and practical perspective to the task of facilitating the development of nursing standards of practice and procedures for the nursing department. In her role as clinical manager she fosters unit initiatives in coordination with leadership and staff, to improve documentation and quality of care, toward the goal of best patient outcomes while maintaining the integrity of the research.



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Deldelker James is a Clinical Manager for the Hematology/Oncology/Transplant unit within the Nursing Department at the National Institutes of Health, Clinical Center in Bethesda, Maryland. As the Clinical Manager, she provides clinical care to research participants, supports protocol implementation, data collection, ensures continuity of care and disseminates organizational standards, procedures and initiatives to staff. Ms. James collaborates with the Nurse Manager in the analysis, planning and evaluation of areas such as provision of nursing care, patient flow coordination, staff performance and management. This ensures that appropriate and timely decisions are made that impact the safety and quality of care. Ms. James also mentor and coach clinical research nursing staff towards professional growth and development.

Ms. James started her career as a Medical-Surgical Nurse. She has held nursing positions in Rehabilitative Nursing, Ambulatory Care, Emergency Nursing and Hospice and Palliative Care Nursing prior to her arrival at the Clinical Center. She has supervisory experience as an Assistant Director of Nursing and Clinical Coordinator of Ambulatory Care in Killeen, Texas. At the Clinical Center, Ms. James has served as a Clinical Research Nurse, Preceptor, Charge Nurse and Clinical Educator for the Hematology/Oncology/Transplant unit until her recent promotion. She has been the unit representative for the Clinical Practice Committee and has been involved with Clinical Center initiatives such as the Closed System Transfer Device, Safe Handling of Hazardous Drugs, Patient Transplant Education and Transparent Acuity. In 2011, Ms. James was also a recipient of the Clinical Center Director's Award for Clinical Excellence for her outstanding efforts in teaching and training.





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Biosketch

Amy Callahan-Lesher is the Nurse Manager of 3NW within the Oncology & Critical Care Department of the Clinical Center Nursing Department at the National Institutes of Health. The patient population includes Immunotherapy, Surgical Oncology, and Medical Oncology among other NCI patient populations. Dr. Callahan graduated from Thomas Jefferson University School of Nursing with her Bachelor's in Nursing in 1998 and Master's degree in 2003 in Adult Health from a dual Nurse Practitioner and Clinical Nurse Specialist Program. Amy returned to Thomas Jefferson University and graduated in 2007 with her Post Master's Certificate in Nurse Education. She obtained her Doctor of Nursing Practice degree in 2013 from Thomas Jefferson University.

Dr. Callahan started her career in medical oncology at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania administering chemotherapy, immunotherapy and providing direct patient care. After she received her Master's, she accepted a position as the Medical Oncology Department Nurse Practitioner managing the inpatient solid tumor oncology population. In 2005, Dr. Callahan accepted a position as a Clinical Nurse Specialist in the Medical Intensive Care Unit at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital. Her expertise includes pressure ulcer prevention, end-of-life care, therapeutic induced hypothermia, and the prevention of hospital acquired infections. She remained here until 2009 when she accepted a position at the National Institute of Health as a Clinical Nurse Specialist. In April of 2013, Dr. Callahan transitioned to management of a 32-bed unit.

Dr. Callahan taught clinical as adjunct faculty at Thomas Jefferson University School of Nursing in the BSN Program and she attended the City of Hope ELNEC trainer course and provides end of life education at the NIH. Dr. Callahan was a recipient of the Thomas Jefferson University Nursing Department Preceptorship Award and the Thomas Jefferson University Hospital's Chief Residents Distinguished Service Award. In 2011, she was a nominee for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Nurse of the Year award. She is the recipient of the Clinical Center Director's Award in 2011 for Patient Care and in 2012 for Patient Safety with a focus on eliminating occupational exposure to hazardous drugs.



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Biosketch

Barbara Rawlings is a Clinical Manager on 3NW, a 32 bed oncology clinical research unit within the Nursing Department at the NIH Clinical Center in Bethesda, Maryland. As a clinical manager, she co-leads a team of 60 plus nurses that serve medical, surgical, and immunotherapy patients. She collaborates with the multidisciplinary team and nursing staff to promote support for protocol implementation and research integrity. She mentors and leads the team as a charge nurse, and works with the interdisciplinary teams to ensure quality patient care. She also manages daily unit operations in collaboration with the nurse manager.

Ms. Rawlings started her career as a staff nurse in pediatrics in 1977 at the University of Virginia. She continued with pediatrics in oncology at NIH from 1978-1988, working on the laminar air flow unit where she was briefly the Acting Head Nurse. She then transferred to a metabolism/surgical floor working part-time while raising her children until 1998. At that time, surgical oncology became her new home on a fulltime basis. She received the "Excellence in Clinical Practice at the Bedside" award in 2005 and became the Clinical Manager in 2008. As the Protocol Coordinator/Expert for the immunotherapy protocols, she co-created the patient teaching packet and the online "Cell Therapy Learning Module". She also did staff education on the care of the neutropenic patient regularly. She co-authored "Putting Evidence into Practice: Evidence Based Interventions to Prevent, Manage, and Treat Chemotherapy and Radiotherapy Induced Diarrhea", which was published in the Clinical Journal of Oncology Nursing in 2009. She also helped create the Diarrhea Algorithm and PEP Card which were part of the same evidence based project. She received the Directors Award as part of the 3NW leadership team in 2014.





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Caitlin Carlock is a Clinical Manager for 3NW Immunotherapy, Medical and Surgical Oncology within the Nursing Department at the National Institutes of Health, Clinical Center in Bethesda, Maryland. As a Clinical Manager for 3NW, Caitlin co-leads over 60 staff members in the nursing care of Oncology patients admitted to the Clinical Center for surgical, Immunotherapy, and medical oncology based studies. Caitlin's primary duties include coordinating the nursing implementation of Medical Oncology research, facilitating performance improvement initiatives, and serving as Charge Nurse. She also manages unit based initiatives to enhance the workplace and patient care, such as the STAR staff recognition program and multidisciplinary discharge planning rounds.

Caitlin started her career as a Clinical Research Nurse at the Clinical Center in 2006. She was part of the Oncology Nurse Internship Program, a two year curriculum focused on knowledge building and critical thinking for the oncology nurse professional. Following completion of this program, Caitlin obtained her certifications as an Oncology Certified Nurse and a Certified Wound, Ostomy, Continence Nurse (WOCN). Caitlin initially utilized these certifications in her dual role as a clinical research nurse on 3NW and served as part of the WOCN Nurse Consult Service for the entire Clinical Center. She has received a 2013 Clinical Center Director's Award for her contributions to the 3NW leadership team during a period of significant transition. She is currently pursuing a Masters of Science in Nursing at the University of Maryland, School of Nursing in the Health Services Leadership and Management Program. Caitlin has also completed all coursework for the Oncology Nursing Certificate program through the University of Maryland, School of Nursing. Caitlin was awarded the American Cancer Society Graduate Nurse Scholarship for academic excellence and dedication to Oncology nursing. She is past president of the Potomac Area Oncology Nurse chapter of the Oncology Nursing Society, which offers networking, education, and outreach for oncology nurses in the D.C. area.





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Lori McIntyre is a Clinical Manager for the Nursing Department at the NIH Clinical Center in Bethesda, MD. As Clinical Manager on an adult oncology unit specializing in Immunotherapy, Medical and Surgical Oncology, she offers clinical expertise and administrative leadership to the clinical research nurses in addition to providing direct patient care. She also helps to facilitate the work of the unit, mentoring staff with projects, identifying needs and developing performance improvement plans, and coordinating daily operations. She serves as an overall resource for integration of patient care and management of the clinical research process. Ms. McIntyre is the Protocol Coordinator for the Immunotherapy Service, serving as nurse liaison between the staff and research team, creating tools to facilitate protocol implementation, and developing educational materials for patients and staff.

In her 36 years at the Clinical Center, Ms. McIntyre has been a staff nurse and a Senior Clinical Research Nurse. She has co-authored two publications on the management of specific Interleukin-2 side effects, co-wrote and narrated an online nursing education module for Adoptive Cell Therapy, and presented lectures on leadership and various patient care topics. She also has served on many committees including unit level Primary Nursing and Performance Improvement, Department level Retention Task Force, Shared Governance Clinical Practice Committee and Coordinating Council, 2010 Model of Care Director's Work Group, and the NIH Clinical Center Ethics Committee. During her 2009 term as Chair of the Nursing Department's Clinical Practice Committee, evidence-based practice was brought to the review process of all Nursing Department Standards of Practice and Procedures. She has received awards for precepting, clinical performance, and excellence. Ms. McIntyre received the 2013 Director's Award as part of the 3NW Clinical Research Nurse Leadership Team.





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Allison Adams-McLean, MHA, RN

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Biosketch

CDR Adams-McLean is the Nurse Manager for 3 SES Day Hospital within the Nursing Department at the National Institutes of Health, Clinical Center in Bethesda, Maryland. As the Nurse Manager, she manages a busy Oncology/Hematology ambulatory infusion center (day hospital) that provides comprehensive care to patients on phase 0, I and II clinical trials. The day hospital annually manages ~ 12,000 adult patients that are enrolled in approximately 250 protocols.

Allison Adams-McLean started her career as a staff nurse on a 52-bed Medical /Surgical unit at Methodist hospital in New York City. After one year of Nursing she contemplated becoming an Executive Secretary. She found her niche when she was accepted in 1987 into the critical care course at NIH and became a staff nurse on the Surgical Intensive Care Unit. She was one of the first nurses to model the concept of unit-based Clinical Manager and was instrumental in the development of the role.

She was commissioned in 2004 as a Lieutenant in the United States Public Health Service and has made the core values of the Commissioned Corps her guiding precepts. She is passionate about her duties as a nurse and is always willing and available to assist in the development of her fellow nurses whether as a Nurse Manger at NIH or Operations Chief for the USPHS Rapid Deployment Force.



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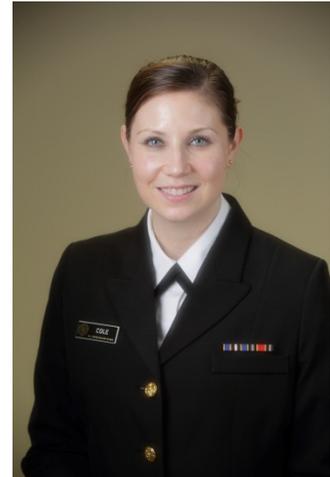
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Biosketch

Kristen Cole is the Clinical Manager for the Oncology/Hematology Day Hospital within the Nursing Department at the National Institutes of Health, Clinical Center in Bethesda, Maryland. As the Clinical Manager she leads the day to day operations of the nursing unit in conjunction with the nurse manager. Her responsibilities including assuring that appropriate nursing and support staffing are in place, addressing patient care needs, maintenance of work flow and safety for all research participants. She is also in charge of assuring that patient care assignments and unit needs are being met. Other responsibilities include: facilitating, coaching and mentoring nurses, seeking out appropriate resources, organizing assignments and projects. Kristen assures that nurses are following research protocols, to ensure protocol integrity.

Kristen began working at the NIH as new graduate nurse in the Oncology Nurse Internship program. While an intern she worked on the Inpatient Hematology/Oncology/Stem Cell Transplant Unit, from 2006-2008. Upon graduation from the internship program, Kristen then worked as a staff/triage nurse in a large Hematology/Oncology private practice/infusion center in Rockville, MD, from 2008-2009. Kristen then returned to the NIH as a Clinical Research Nurse on the outpatient Hematology/Oncology day hospital, from 2009-2011. Kristen most recently worked as Research Nurse Specialist with the NCI, in the Experimental Transplant Immunology Branch, from 2011-2014. Kristen is a Lieutenant in the USPHS, she was commissioned in 2012. She is also enrolled in a part time Master of Nursing program, at the George Washington University, with a focus in Health Care Quality. She is also an Oncology Certified Nurse.





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Helen Owens is the Clinical Manager of the Medical Oncology Inpatient Unit within the Nursing Department at the National Institutes of Health, Clinical Center in Bethesda, Maryland. As the Clinical Manager, she leads daily functions of the unit including staffing and patient flow, to ensure superior patient care for those participating in research protocols investigating treatments for oncologic, hematologic and HIV/AIDS related malignancies. She communicates with the research team and support services to facilitate the appropriate use of resources and to ensure maintenance of protocol integrity.

Prior to becoming a nurse, Helen was a Program Assistant with the Fogarty International Center at the NIH. While in nursing school, Helen was a Jr. and Sr. COSTEP in the Commission Corps of the United States Public Health Service. Upon graduation, she served as an Officer in the on a medical oncology and HIV related malignancy inpatient unit. She later worked as a civil servant on the oncology solid tumor and autologous transplant inpatient unit. For seven years, she served as a nurse in the Per Diem, Central Staffing Office. Helen was detailed to the surgical oncology unit for one year. Most recently, Helen worked for seven years on the hematology, oncology, stem cell transplant inpatient unit. She is a member of the Oncology Nursing Society.



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Neil Barranta is the Clinical Manager for Medical-Surgical Intensive Care Unit (ICU) within the Oncology and Critical Care Services of Nursing Department at the National Institute of Health, Clinical Center in Bethesda, Maryland. He oversees the unit-based clinical management structure along with the Nurse Manager to ensure continuity in clinical operations and research support. He identifies the unit's short term and long-term program goals in conjunction with departmental objectives, organizational strategic plan and annual operating budget. He advises nursing executive leadership on clinical specialty issues and trends and implications for unit operations. He manages critical patient care processes for assigned areas, collaborates, consults and evaluates with medical, surgical and oncology interdisciplinary staff in problem solving. Mr. Barranta also monitors and manages clinical quality, customer service and assures research support and operational efficiency is within the organizational strategic objectives.

Mr. Barranta earned his Master in Science of Nursing (MSN) in Clinical Nurse Leader (CNL) from Saint Xavier University, Chicago Illinois and a Bachelor in Science of Nursing (BSN) in Southeast Asian College, Philippines. Besides his work as a Senior Clinical Research Nurse in the NIH ICU since 2008, Neil has held leadership positions as a Team Lead in the George Washington University Hospital ICU, and as the Assistant Manager in the ICU of Doctors Hospital of Hyde Park Chicago.

He is a leader in providing and organizing multiple multidisciplinary processes to promote quality assurance and performance improvement at the microsystem level. He is a certified Critical Care Registered Nurse (CCRN) and a Trauma Nurse Specialist (TNS).



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Linda Tondreau is the Nurse Manager for 3 SWN/ Procedure Services and 5 NE- N / Diagnostic Testing within the Clinical Center Nursing Department at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland. As the Nurse Manager, she manages a comprehensive procedural unit offering non-sedating and moderate conscious sedation services, which includes bronchoscopy, endoscopy, cardiac catheterization and vascular access device(s) insertion utilizing ultrasound. On 5NE-N, she manages the cardiac diagnostic testing unit, which includes Exercise stress tests, ECHO and Pulmonary Function tests.

Linda started her nursing career as a Trauma/ Critical Care Nurse in 1993, at Sentara Norfolk General Hospital in Norfolk, Virginia. From 1993 until 2001, she worked in various ICU settings, PACU and Operating room. She came to NIH in September 2001 to join the Surgical ICU team as a Clinical Research Nurse. In 2009, she became the Clinical Manager for 3 SWN/ Procedure Services. Linda has been very passionate about Performance improvement initiatives and/ or projects at the unit level. She was an active participant in the Shared Governance model in the Clinical Center Nursing Department as the Chair of Performance Improvement Committee. She was co-author on two publications related to the Domain of Practice in the specialty of Clinical Research Nursing: *Delineating Clinical Research Nursing Practice: Results of a Role Delineation Study, 2011*, Clinical and Translational Science and *Validating the Clinical Research Nursing Domain of Practice, 2011*, Oncology Nursing Forum.





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Carline Samedy is the Clinical Manager for Procedures, Vascular Access, Conscious Sedation unit (PVCS) within the Oncology & Critical Care Services, Clinical Center Nursing Department (CCND) at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland. In 2003 Carline began her career at NIH in Dowling clinic as a staff nurse providing care to patients undergoing apheresis. She separated with NIH in 2004 and returned in 2005 to PVCS where she has been serving as a Gastroenterology Nurse in the endoscopy suite. She obtained her Bachelor's degree in Biology in 1984 from York College of the CUNY in New York and her Bachelor's in Nursing in 1997 from Molloy College in New York. She started her nursing career as a Medical Surgical Nurse at Long Island Jewish Medical Center in New Hyde Park, NY. She went on to fulfill a rewarding career as a Critical Care Nurse both in New York, and later, at Suburban Hospital in Bethesda, MD after her move to MD to support her husband's career. She brings to this new role a wealth of computer skills as well as an in-depth knowledge of electronic medical documentation systems. She is the resource person for all inquiries regarding the Provation Electronic Documentation System used to document the bronchoscopy and endoscopy procedures performed on the unit. Her leadership skills have been invaluable during the Billing Pilot on PVCS and in facilitating the day-to-day operations of PVCS.





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Eula Keen-Woods is the Nurse Manager for Oncology and Critical Care, Ambulatory Oncology Clinics (OP3, OP12, OP13, and B2 Radiation Oncology) within the Nursing Department at the National Institutes of Health, Clinical Center in Bethesda, Maryland. As the Nurse Manager, Ms. Keen-Woods is responsible for supervising the full domain of practice for the specialty of clinical research nursing including care provided to research participants, as well as, activities to support protocol implementation, data collection, and human subject protection. In this role, she provides oversight of care coordination and services to a diverse and changing ambulatory oncology patient population.

Ms. Keen-Woods earned a Masters in Health Services Management from the Webster University, St. Louis, MO and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from the University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, MO. She is certified (OCN®) in oncology nursing through the Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation. Prior to beginning her career at the Clinical Center, Ms. Keen-Woods served as Department Director for Medical Oncology- Hematology Services for Emory University Health Systems, Atlanta, GA. Additional nursing leadership positions includes Oncology Clinical Research Coordinator, West Virginia University Health Systems, Charleston, WV, Department Director, Medical-Surgical Services, Texas Tech University Health Systems, Lubbock, TX and Department Director, Surgical Services at Central Medical Center, St. Louis, MO. Ms. Keen-Woods was selected as a Leadership Development Institute Fellow by the Oncology Nursing Society in 2001 and served as President for Gwinnett Oncology Nursing Society, Atlanta, GA in 2006-2007. In May, 2009, she was honored by Sigma Theta Tau, Inc., Gamma Beta Chapter at Howard University as one of Metro Washington, D.C.'s **"100 Extraordinary Nurses."**

