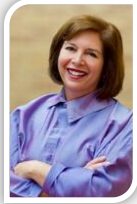


## AACN Update

January 2016



**Eileen Breslin, PhD, RN,  
FAAN  
Chair, AACN Board of  
Directors**

## Strategic Thinking Retreat

July 2015  
Stowe, Vermont



## Leadership Development

### New Advisory Group Formed

- Charged with creating a comprehensive approach to leadership development that reaches nurses at every stage of their career



## Diversity & Inclusivity

### New Advisory Group Formed

- Charged with developing a conceptual approach to diversity and inclusion that is consistent with AACN's mission and vision



## Health Policy

**Healthy Policy Advisory Council (HPAC)**  
*Offers strategic insights on key policy issues*

**Faculty Policy Think Tank**  
*Provides guidance on health policy education*



**AACN White Paper:  
The Doctor of Nursing  
Practice: Current Issues &  
Clarifying  
Recommendations**



## Manatt Report

- In January 2015, the AACN Board of Directors commissioned a study on how to strengthen nursing's role in academic health centers (AHCs).
- Last Spring, AACN announced that Manatt Health Solutions was selected to conduct a national survey and assessment on how to best position nursing schools to thrive within an AHC.

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## Manatt Report

- To advance this work, a national summit was held in Washington, DC in August 2015 to better understand the opportunities and challenges facing academic nursing units within AHCs.
- Attendees included nursing and medical school deans, CNOs, health systems administrators, a university provost, and other stakeholders.



## Key Summit Takeaways

1. Principles for alignment needed by AHC leaders
2. Culture change needed for all constituents
3. Cultural barriers between physicians and nurses remain pervasive
4. Nursing academic & clinical practice integration is imperative
5. Leadership development is an absolutely essential ingredient
6. Big opportunity for collaborative workforce development
7. Research program evolution and emphasis within Schools of Nursing is essential
8. Schools of Nursing must evolve to help to lead transformation
9. Shared leadership and governance brings shared accountability
10. Policy support at the federal and state level must be vigorously pursued

## Interviews

- In addition to the Summit, Manatt conducted 48 interviews at 24 institutions. Interviews were conducted with:
  - 25 nursing school deans
  - 5 medical school deans
  - 16 health system CNOs and CEOs
  - 8 university chancellors / vice chancellors
- Key interview findings include:
  - Schools of Nursing are not well positioned as partners in transformation
  - Institutional leaders are frustrated with a lack of alignment and are seeking new approaches
  - Insufficient resources are a barrier to elevating academic nursing's role with AHCs



## Final Report

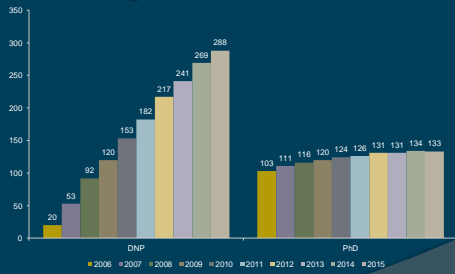
- The final report - titled *Advancing Healthcare Transformation: A New Era for Academic Nursing* - was endorsed by AACN's Board earlier this week; findings will be presented at the Spring Meeting.
- The lessons learned and models generated through this work may be used by all nursing schools to facilitate long-term success and sustainability.
- Report includes recommendations and implementation strategies for all stakeholders, including:
  - Deans of Nursing
  - Deans of Medicine
  - Health System Executives
  - University Presidents, Chancellors, and Vice Chancellors

## Key Recommendations

1. Embrace a New Vision for Academic Nursing
2. Enhance the Clinical Practice of Schools of Nursing
3. Partner in Preparing the Nurses of the Future
4. Partner in the Implementation of Accountable Care
5. Invest in Nursing Research Programs and Better Integration of Research Programs into Clinical Practice
6. Develop an Advocacy Agenda to Support Academic Nursing Transformation



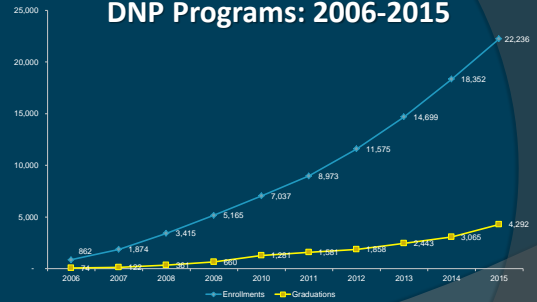
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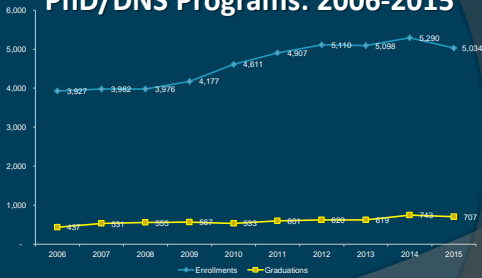
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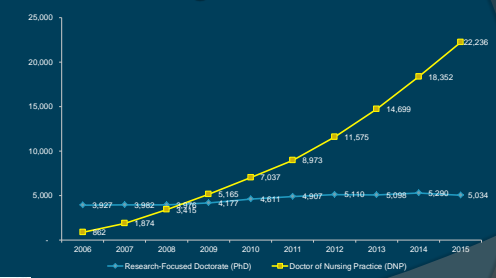
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## Enrollments in Both DNP and PhD Programs: 2006-2015



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## Title VIII and FY 2016 Funding

- **December 9, 2015**
  - AACN's President and CEO testifies before Congress on the importance of Title VIII
- **December 18, 2015**
  - President signs into law the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2016
    - *\$1.1 trillion bipartisan omnibus will fund the federal government through end of fiscal year, Sept 30, 2016*



## Funding for Nursing Research

- **Omnibus provided the National Institutes of Health: \$32.084 billion**
  - \$2 billion more than FY 2015
- **Omnibus provided the National Institute of Nursing Research: \$146.485 million**
  - \$5.5 million more than FY 2015



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## AACN Emerging Scientists

- New AACN initiative to highlight the contributions of nurse scientists.
- AACN soliciting profiles of nurse researchers from all 50 states and DC. Contact AACN Government Affairs at [Lconstant@aacn.nche.edu](mailto:Lconstant@aacn.nche.edu) if you have a researcher to spotlight.



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