



Johnson & Johnson Campaign for Nursing's Future – AACN Fall 2011 Minority Nurse Faculty Scholars



Ana Maria Kelly, BSN, RN, is a third-year fast-track PhD student at Michigan State University. She graduated from MSU in 2001 with a BS in Human Biology and returned in 2007 to complete the Accelerated BSN program. Her research focuses on the adverse drug effects associated with drug-resistant tuberculosis treatment in a high HIV burden population. She developed an interest in HIV/AIDS while serving as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Namibia and will return to Africa to conduct her dissertation research. Ana Maria holds a leadership position in Sigma Theta Tau, Alpha Psi Chapter and is actively involved in the Midwest Nursing Research Society and the Association of Nurses in AIDS Care.

Luz Huntington-Moskos, MS, RN, CPN, is a third-year PhD student at the University of Alabama Birmingham. She completed her MS in Public Health Nursing/Adolescent Nursing at the University of Minnesota in 2005. She first developed her interest in working with adolescents as a high school science teacher in the Peace Corps (Malawi 94-96). Of Latino decent, she has provided nursing care to members of the Navajo Nation and maintains a strong commitment to minority health issues. Her dissertation focuses on understanding tobacco exposures and cardiovascular risk among rural adolescents. She works as full-time nursing faculty and is active in the Southern Nursing Research Society, American Public Health Association, and Society for Adolescent Health & Medicine.



Carolina E. Noya, MSN, RN, FNP, is a first-year PhD student at the University of California San Francisco. She graduated in 1993 from Michigan State University with a Master's in Community Psychology and in 2000 from UCSF with an MSN as a Family Nurse Practitioner. For the last 10 years she has been in family practice at Community Health Clinics in Sonoma and Santa Cruz Counties in California. As a doctoral student, she wants to develop a research program to improve health outcomes among older monolingual Latinos living with diabetes.

She aspires to develop culturally specific interventions to improve health outcomes for diabetics. Her goal is to enhance the health of minority and underserved populations through research, teaching, mentoring, and practice.

Ronald J. Piscotty, Jr., MSN, RN-BC, is a third-year PhD in nursing student at the University of Michigan. He completed his BSN at Wayne State University in 1998 and an MS in Nursing Business and Health Systems at U-M in 2006. His research interest centers around the impact of healthcare information technologies on nursing practice and quality and safety. Ron is a graduate student instructor at the U-M and a Special Instructor at Oakland University. He is board certified in Nursing Informatics from the American Nurse Credentialing Center and a member of the Midwest Nursing Research Society, American Medical Informatics Association, and Website Chair of the Sigma Theta Tau Theta Psi Chapter.



Patty R. Wilson, MSN, RN, is a first-year PhD student at the University of Virginia who obtained both her BSN and MSN from the University of Maryland. She is a clinical instructor in community/public health at the Johns Hopkins University. She also serves as the assistant director for the East Baltimore Community Nursing Centers, which is comprised of three faculty directed service-learning program sites, including the Wald Community Nursing Center. This center is one of a few health programs in Baltimore providing nearly barrier-free services to low-income, uninsured, or underinsured residents. The two other sites are located at the House of

Ruth Shelter for Battered Women and Isaiah Wellness Center at Apostolic Towers Senior Building. Patty's clinical practice spans both the House of Ruth and the Wald center.