

## THE BONUS NEWSLETTER

## February 2019



## **CHAIR MESSAGE**



Jason A. Wright, MPA
Senior Associate Dean for Finance & Administration
Columbia University School of Nursing

BONUS members are always looking for creative solutions their peers have initiated. Share your strategies and insights with your colleagues on our very own on-line community at **BONUS Network.** It's a great tool, not only for sharing great ideas, but it also serves as a database that stores those conversations.

What better place to continue those insightful conversations and sharing of ideas than the upcoming 34<sup>th</sup> annual BONUS meeting in Seattle April 24<sup>th</sup> – 26th. Built around the theme "Climb to New Heights", this agenda will delve deep into real workplace issues, spark your entrepreneurial spirit, and serve to help you excel at all levels of leadership. From the bold new ideas that are transforming how we think about nursing education, to pragmatic advice on how to solve common workplace challenges, the BONUS annual meeting will help you make work better.

The program brochure can be found on the AACN website: <a href="https://www.aacnnursing.org/Professional-development/Conference-Info/sessionaltcd/1521">https://www.aacnnursing.org/Professional-development/Conference-Info/sessionaltcd/1521</a>

We are still in need of a few more facilitators. If you are interested in facilitating a session on budget models or generating revenue please feel free to contact me at <a href="mailto:jw2922@columbia.edu">jw2922@columbia.edu</a> or Gerri Kremer at <a href="mailto:gskremer@buffalo.edu">gskremer@buffalo.edu</a>.

Looking forward to winter ending and enjoying the start of spring with you all in Seattle. See you in April! Warm Regards,

### Jason

Chair, BONUS Network



## **HIGHLIGHTS and REMINDERS**



Last fall, members of the steering committee met together to plan the 2019 BONUS annual meeting. Lots of ideas were exchanged and a ton accomplished!



Please keep an eye out for the next staff benchmarking survey that will be conducted by Jason Wright from Columbia University School of Nursing. The results of the survey will be presented at the annual meeting. The more data we gather, the more meaningful the results!

## BONUS Annual Meeting April 24-26, 2019 Seattle, WA

## Registration

Please go to

http://www.aacnnursing.org/Professional-Development/Conference-Info/sessionaltcd/1521

Annual Meeting Brochures will be mailed out to Nursing Schools/Colleges and posted at AACN Connect.

## Hotel Information Renaissance Seattle Hotel 515 Madison Street Seattle, WA 98104

- The cutoff date for reservations at the group rate is April 2, 2019.
- For reservations, call the hotel at 1-800-468-3571 and request the group rate for AACN/BONUS. You may also place your reservation online.
- The room block may fill before the deadline, so please make your reservation early.
   If/when the room block fills, AACN will post a list of alternative hotel on its website.

### **General Information**

AACN Members	Early Bird by 3/24	Regular by 4/19	On-Site after 4/19
BONUS Network Member	\$419	\$519	\$545
BONUS Network Non-Member	\$449	\$549	\$575
Additional registrant(s) from Same School	\$419	\$519	\$545
AACN Non-Members	Early Bird by 3/24	Regular by 4/19	On-Site after 4/19
	\$599	\$699	\$725
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	\$60	\$60	\$60
Guest Lunch Fee*	Early Bird by 3/24	Regular by 4/19	On-Site after 4/19
	\$45	\$45	\$45

BONUS Network Members receive a \$30 discount on conference registration.

\* One (1) lunch is included in the registration fee for registered meeting participal

Meeting Venue
Renaissance Seattle Hotel
515 Madison Street
Seattle, WA 98104
The room rate is \$219 single/double



Continuing Education
Continuing Education (CE) hours will be provided by the America
Association of Colleges of Nursing to all meeting participants.

Contact Information
AACN Conference Team
655 K Street, NW, Suite 750
Washington, DC 20001
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## **Nominations Committee Update**

Look for a callout for nominations in the very near future! To update everyone on the BONUS structure and how it is organized, the 2 officers (chair and secretary), along with 5 committee chairs and the past chair comprise the Steering Committee. The Steering Committee's primary responsibility is to oversee creation of the agenda for our annual meeting. This year, BONUS has the following positions open for nomination: chair-elect, secretary, and the following committee chairs—communications and nominations. Information regarding the position responsibilities will be included in the callout. All positions are 2-year terms except for the chair-elect which is a 3-year commitment. We appreciate your thoughtful consideration to become a part of the steering committee.

News flash!! At the upcoming Seattle meeting, we hope to be able to utilize an electronic voting system!! Currently, the Special Projects Committee is investigating and exploring options for potential implementation. Thanks in advance for their efforts on our collective behalf.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in Seattle!



## **ENGAGE · DISCUSS · POST · SHARE**

#### **ABOUT THE COMMUNITY**

The BONUS Network Community provides BONUS Network members with a quick and easy platform where you can engage in discussions and share materials with fellow network members

## ENGAGE IN YOUR BONUS NETWORK COMMUNITY

#### ACCESS- FROM YOUR EMAIL INBOX

The BONUS Network Community functions just like a listserv, you can reply to a discussion immediately via the red "Reply to Group" button on your digest or real time email.

Reply to Group

From this email you can also start a new thread in the Bonus Community by clicking on the "Post New Message" link at the top of the email.

#### **ACCESS- ONLINE**

Log into your My AACN Dashboard at www.aacnnursing.org and find the BONUS Network under the "My Communities" section.

Logging in gives you access to all conversations that have taken place. This is a searchable location that will allow you to find similar topics and solutions.

Start a New Discussion by clicking the red "Post New Message" button.

Or find the discussion thread you are looking for by clicking on the Discussions tab from your community home page.

#### **COMMUNITY SETTINGS**

Notification settings can be changed to choose to receive live messages, daily digests or weekly digests to your email inbox.

Need help getting started? Contact us at aacnconnect@aacnnursing.org





## 2019 BONUS 5K/1Mile Run/Walk

Please join us for our second annual run/walk during our meeting in Seattle on April 25<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 a.m.!

More details coming soon!

If you would like to help with this event, please contact Karis Wolfe at 
kpwolfe@hsc.wvu.edu.

We are still in need of

volunteers.





## **BONUS MEMBER FEATURE**



**Toni Malaspino**Manager of Budget and Operations
Seattle University College of Nursing

Toni Malaspino joined the Seattle University College of Nursing in 2014 as an executive coordinator in the dean's office and began her role as manager of budget and operations in January 2018. Her predecessor and colleague,

Tim Mildren, had been a BONUS member and valued his involvement with the group, so she also joined when she transitioned to her new role. With over 30 years of experience in administrative support and operations roles, she has had the privilege to work at prominent Seattle organizations such as Starbucks Coffee Company and Vulcan, Inc. She is also a student in the School of New and Continuing Studies at Seattle University and will complete her bachelor of arts in organizational leadership in June 2020. She has two daughters, enjoys being outdoors, live music and theater, and cooking for family and friends.





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