

## EMERITI MEMBERS - PAN AMERICAN NURSING AND MIDWIFERY COLLABORATING CENTERS (PANMCC)



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**Elizabeth T. Anderson, DrPH, RN, FAAN**, was Professor and Chair of the Department of Community Health and Gerontology at the University of Texas Medical Branch School of Nursing at Galveston. Dr. Anderson was also the director of the World Health Organization Collaborating Center in Nursing and Midwifery Development in Primary Health Care. She has written extensively on the role of community health nurses and the need for greater education and curriculum development in this area. She received the 1994 American Public Health Association's Public Health Nursing Creative Achievement Award. She serves on the editorial advisory boards of *Advances in Nursing Science* and *Public Health Nursing*.

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**Rita M. Carty, RN, PhD, FAAN**, was the first dean of the George Mason University School of Nursing and remains Dean Emeritus as well as the longest seated dean in the university's history. Dr. Carty received a Master of Science in Nursing degree and her doctorate from The Catholic University of America. She has published and consulted extensively and has served as president of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing. She served as Director the WHO Collaborating Center for Nursing and Midwifery at George Mason and is a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing, as well as a 1992 recipient of the Chief Nurse Award from the United States Public Health Service.

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**Isabel Amelia Costa Mendes, RN, PhD**, is Emerita and Senior Professor at the University of Sao Paulo, College Nursing Ribeirao Preto, Brazil. She received a Master of Science in Nursing Science degree at the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro and her PhD at the University of São Paulo, beyond a Doctor in Sciences, *Honoris Causa* from the McMaster University, Canada. She is a 1A researcher at the CNPq, an agency of the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation in Brazil.

She served as a director of the University of São Paulo at Ribeirao Preto College of Nursing, during 2 elective terms (1994-1998 / 2002-2006) and deputy director (1990- 1994) and in the same periods she served as director of the WHO Collaborating Center for Nursing Research, also from 2003-2017 and since 2018 she acts as Advisor and member of the Steering Group. From 2003 to 2005, served as a chair of the Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization Nursing and Midwifery Collaborating Centers. From 2006 to 2017, she served as a Director of the PAHO/WHO Collaborating Centre for Nursing Research Development, hosted by the University of São Paulo. From 2009 to 2016, she served as a member of the General Council at the School of Nursing of the University of Coimbra, Portugal. Member of the Advisory Committee of the initiative to declare 2010 as the International Year of the Nurse, a collaboration between Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing (Sigma) and Nightingale Global Health Initiative (NIGH); she acts as NIGH's Portuguese Advisor. Member of the Global Advisory Panel for the Future of Nursing (GAPFON), Sigma Theta Tau International (2014-2017). Member of the Advisory Council of the Latin and Ibero-American Association of Nursing Schools and Faculties (ALADEFE), since 2015. Through the Burdett Trust for Nursing, she was the responsible for the contract with Nursing Now Global for the development of the Nursing Now Brazil Campaign (2018-2021), and coordinates the Working Group Nursing Now Challenge at Brazilian Council of Nursing. Since 2006, she serves as a Coordinator of the Ibero-American Network on Scientific Editing, a group of 84 journal editors. Her research interests: Communication, Leadership and Science & Technology in Nursing.

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**Ada Sue Hinshaw, PhD, RN, FAAN**, former president of the American Academy of Nursing, has had a major impact on the lives of all people through her dedication to research on providing better care and positive outcomes for patients. Dr. Hinshaw is currently dean of the Graduate School of Nursing at the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences (USU). As the first permanent leader at the National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR) at the National Institutes of Health (NIH), Dr. Hinshaw is a leader for research and research training in many areas of nursing science, such as disease prevention, health promotion, acute and chronic illness, and others.

Before joining USU, Dr. Hinshaw served as professor and in other capacities at the University of Arizona College of Nursing, University of California at San Francisco, and Kansas University, and as dean of the University of Michigan School of Nursing from 1994 to 2006. She was selected to serve as the Distinguished Nurse Scholar-in-Residence at the Institute of Medicine in Washington, D.C., from 2006 to 2007.

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**Mi Ja Kim, PhD, RN, FRCN, FAAN**, is Dean Emerita of University of Illinois-Chicago School of Nursing. Named an American Academy of Nursing “Living Legend” in 2012, Kim continues to remain active in research and scholarship. Kim’s own research career includes more than \$12 million in extramural funding; publication of 160 scholarly articles; and honorary fellowship in the Royal College of Nursing in London. Kim’s motivation for supporting nurse scientists is her belief that researchers who are changing the face of healthcare should be rewarded with funds to spend on their work at their discretion.

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**Maricel Manfredi** was former Regional Advisor for PAHO. **The Maricel Manfredi Prize** is named after her and has been given since 1998 at the Pan-American Nursing Research Colloquium. The award is given during the closing ceremony of the colloquium to the author of the work of research that presents the most relevant and innovative topic, that contributes to the development of the discipline and is oriented towards priority topics for the Americas region.

Dr. Maricel Manfredi, as regional nursing advisor from PAHO, recognized the need to document nursing research and worked hard during her tenure, promoting the development of nurse scientists. A group of Latin American nurses was summoned to write the terms that would serve as a reference "research guidelines" that would be presented to the scientific community of Latin America, thus creating the 1st Nursing Research Colloquium held in Bogotá, Colombia. coordinated by ACOFAEN PAHO Collaborating Center, it has become the most important regional forum for the Latin American nursing scientific community in which research results are presented and discussed, allows collaborative work and alliances on priority issues for health and the discipline in the international arena.

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**Linda McCreary, PhD, RN, FAAN** was a Clinical Associate Professor at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Nursing, Associate Dean for Global Health and Co-Director of the Collaborating Centre. She taught leadership in global health at both undergraduate and PhD levels and conducted independent studies with PhD students and international post-doctoral visiting scholars. Dr. McCreary was Co-Investigator on two NIH/NINR-funded R01 implementation science studies in Malawi to (1) test the successful use of an implementation model to turn over a tested community-based peer group HIV prevention intervention to community ownership while maintaining effectiveness, and (2) test the use of an implementation model to guide health system uptake of a group model of antenatal care and test its efficacy for improving a variety of maternal and infant outcomes. She was UIC’s Principal Investigator of the *Human Resources for Health Rwanda Program*, now in its 9<sup>th</sup> year of activities to strengthen health professions education, funded through the Rwanda Ministry of Health with support from the Global Fund to Fight HIV, Tuberculosis and Malaria. Dr. McCreary developed and tested the Family Effectiveness Measure, a tool to

assess effective and ineffective family functioning in low-income, African American single-parent families.

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**Afaf I. Meleis, RN, PhD, DrPS(hon), FAAN** is Dean Emerita and Professor of Nursing and Sociology at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing. She also served as Director of the school's WHO Collaborating Center for Nursing and Midwifery Leadership. She is Professor Emerita, University of California, San Francisco. She is a Fellow of the Royal College of Nursing in the UK, and the American Academy of Nursing; a member of the Institute of Medicine, and the National Institutes of Health Advisory Committee on Research on Women's Health; board member of the Consortium of Universities for Global Health; and co-chair of the IOM Global Forum on Innovation for Health Professional Education and the Harvard-Penn-Lancet Commission on Women and Health. She is also President and Counsel General Emeriti of the International Council on Women's Health. Dr. Meleis completed her Bachelor of Science in Nursing at the University of Alexandria, Egypt, a master's in nursing, a master's in sociology and a PhD in medical and social psychology at the University of California, Los Angeles. Dr. Meleis' research scholarship is focused on the structure and organization of nursing knowledge, transitions and health, and global immigrant and women's health. She's authored more than 175 journal articles in social sciences, nursing, and medical journals; 16 books, numerous monographs, proceedings, and policy white papers. She has mentored hundreds of students, clinicians, and researchers from Thailand, Brazil, Egypt, Jordan, Israel, Colombia, Korea, and Japan. She is the recipient of numerous awards, honorary international professorships, and honorary doctorates.

Among them she holds a Doctorate of Medicine from Linköping University, Sweden; a Doctor Honoris Causa from University of Alicante, Spain; and distinguished Honorary Citizenship of Oporto, Portugal.

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**Nena Peragallo Montano, PhD, RN, FAAN**, was Dean and is Professor Emeritus of the School of Nursing at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in January 2017, retiring January 2022. Formerly dean and professor at the University of Miami School of Nursing and Health Studies (2003-2017), she is an internationally recognized nurse scientist specializing in health disparities and culturally competent interventions with minority populations who has devoted her career to improving the health status of minorities and other medically underserved groups. From 2007 to 2015 she served as Director and Principal Investigator of the Center of Excellence for Health Disparities Research: El Centro, the first NIHP60 center grant awarded to a school of nursing. Peragallo Montano was Co-Principal Investigator of El Centro, from 2015 to 2017. Dr. Peragallo Montano's policy and leadership roles include service on the NIH National Advisory Council for Nursing Research and the National Program Board for the National Clinician Scholars Program, past service on the NIH/NIMHD Advisory Council and co-Chairmanship of the Bipartisan Policy Center's Health Project Workforce Committee. She was selected by *Hispanic Business* as one of the 100 Most Influential Leaders of 2012. She has received numerous honors and awards including a Doctor Honoris Causa from Universidad Inca Garcilaso De La Vega in Lima, Peru, a *Miembro Ilustre* of the Faculty of Medicine at Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, an inductee of the International Nurse Researcher Hall of Fame.



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**Ruta Valaitis, BScN, BA, MHSc, PhD** is a Professor Emerita at McMaster University in Ontario Canada. She previously was McMaster's Deputy Director of the WHO/PAHO Collaborating Centre for Primary Care Nursing and Health Human Resources, the inaugural Dorothy C. Hall endowed Chair in Primary Health Care Nursing, a co-Scientific Director of the [Aging, Community and Health Research Unit](#) (ACHRU) and an Associate member of McMaster's Department of Family Medicine. Her research interests focus on integration of primary health care health and social services to address the needs of vulnerable populations.

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**Terri Weaver, PhD, RN, FAAN** was Professor and Dean of the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), College of Nursing. She served as Co-Director of the CC. Dr. Weaver is recognized nationally and internationally for her research on the effect of daytime sleepiness on daily behaviors and assessment of treatment outcomes. Her program of research centers on treatment adherence, analysis of treatment efficacy for obstructive sleep apnea, and mechanisms and outcomes of daytime sleepiness. She has expertise in issues related to functional status/quality of life, treatment adherence, instrument development, and randomized clinical trials. Dr. Weaver has produced two notable disease-specific functional status measures, one for chronic pulmonary disorders and the other for sleep disorders. The psychometrically robust Pulmonary Functional Status Scale has been used worldwide in pulmonary rehabilitation programs to assess functional status in chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. The Functional Outcomes of Sleep Questionnaire, has become the gold standard for the evaluation of the impact of impact of treatments for sleep disorders to improve quality of life, has been translated into 51 languages and been used internationally in clinical trials. Dr. Weaver also developed the Self-Efficacy Measure for Sleep Apnea, that measures patient's perception of risk for obstructive sleep apnea, outcomes associated with continuous position airway pressure (CPAP) use, and self-efficacy to apply this commonly prescribed treatment. Dr. Weaver has completed the first and largest multisite randomized clinical trial evaluating the effectiveness of nasal continuous position airway pressure for milder sleep apnea. She has recently concluded a study examining mechanisms of daytime in untreated obstructive sleep apnea patients.



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**Lynda Wilson, RN, PhD** is Professor Emerita from the University of Alabama at Birmingham. While at UAB Dr. Wilson served as Associate Dean for Graduate Studies (1997-2002), Deputy Director of the Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization PAHO/WHO Collaborating Center on International Nursing (2002-2015), and Assistant Dean for International Affairs (2008-2014). After her retirement from UAB, in 2016 Dr. Wilson led the establishment of the [Alabama Interfaith Refugee Partnership](#). Dr. Wilson served as the President of this organization from 2019-2022 and currently serves as the Executive Director. Dr. Wilson is married to Dr. Craig Wilson, UAB Professor Emerita, and Former Director of the UAB Sparkman Center for Global Health. She has 2 children, 2 step-children, and 7 grandchildren.

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