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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE: Dr. Jing Wang

Dear AAPINA members,

As my term as the President of AAPINA comes to a close, I am filled with immense pride and gratitude as I reflect on the past two years. It has been a true honor to serve this esteemed organization and witness the remarkable achievements we have collectively accomplished.

The 2023 AAPINA annual Conference, hosted by Cedars Sinai in the vibrant city of Los Angeles, California, stands out as a crowning success. I extend my heartfelt appreciation to everyone who played a role in making it a memorable event. We experienced a record-high number of conference attendees and received an impressive number of conference abstracts. This is a truly remarkable success, and I congratulate each and every one of you!

Reflecting on my leadership journey with AAPINA, I fondly recall the pivotal moment when I assumed the role of President-Elect and was tasked with reevaluating the AAPINA journal. It brings me great joy to witness its transformation into a nationally and globally recognized journal in AANHPI nursing and healthcare. I strongly encourage each of you to actively contribute to the journal, as your insights and research are instrumental in shaping the discourse in our field. Explore the journal at https://apinj.jmir.org/. My sincere thanks to Dr. Ahn, our editor-in-chief, and all the editorial board members for their leadership and unwavering support, making the journal a significant milestone for AAPINA.
Our membership has also achieved a record high, both for individual members and chapter members. A warm welcome to the new Texas and Florida chapters, with special acknowledgment to chapter Presidents President Kim-Dung Mai of the Texas chapter and President Jie Chen of the Florida chapter. It brings me immense satisfaction to leave AAPINA in its current thriving state.

AAPINA remains a strong founding member of NCEMNA, actively participating on the national stage with other NCEMNA organizations. AAPINA has a national presence with the Nurses on Boards Coalition Grant Steering Committee and AARP Equity Diversity and Inclusion Steering Committee for the Future of Nursing: Campaign for Actions. I encourage all of you to consider attending the NCEMNA annual policy conference in Los Angeles on March 15 at the California Endowment Center. Learn more at https://www.myncemna.org/.

And, of course, let us not forget our own 2024 conference in Korea. Plan ahead and submit an abstract to join our 2024 annual conference happening in Seoul, Korea. Details can be found at https://event.fourwaves.com/2024cainc/pages.

As I pass the baton to our new President, Dr. Jung Ah Lee, I am confident that she will lead AAPINA to new heights. Starting in the New Year, I will transition to serve as the Past President and Chair of the Board of Directors and Nomination Committee, and I eagerly anticipate supporting the continued growth and success of our organization.

Wishing each of you a joyful holiday season surrounded by your family and friends. May the spirit of the season bring warmth, happiness, and rejuvenation.

With sincere admiration,

Jing Wang, PhD, MPH, RN, FAAN
AAPINA President
Dean and Professor, Florida State University College of Nursing
SECRETARY’S MESSAGE Dr. Linda Kim

Hello AAPINA Family!

In my role as the AAPINA Secretary for the 2023-24 term, it's been a dynamic year filled with remarkable events and valuable networking opportunities. One standout event was the 2023 AAPINA Conference hosted at Cedars Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles, CA. With over 150 participants, speakers, and guests, the two-day conference was a resounding success, marking a delightful return to in-person gatherings post the Covid-19 Pandemic. We eagerly anticipate reconnecting at our upcoming joint AAPINA and Catholic University of Korea (CUK) Conference in South Korea next May.

I'm thrilled to share that our membership has surged by 39% since January 2023. Your membership, active involvement, and support are immensely appreciated. This year, we’ve also welcomed two new chapters—the Texas Chapter and Florida Chapter—both passionately advancing AAPINA’s mission of advocating for the health and well-being of AAPIs and their communities.

As 2023 draws to a close, I extend warm holiday wishes and best regards to all our AAPINA members for a joyous and safe holiday season, along with hopes for a fantastic 2024!

Helpful links:

AAPINA Website: https://aapina.org/
Membership: https://memberarea.aapina.org/join

Best regards,

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Embracing the Future: Artificial Intelligence in Nursing Education for AAPI Nurses

In this issue of the AAPINA newsletter, we highlight an article from an AAPINA member on artificial intelligence in nursing education.

In the ever-evolving landscape of healthcare, one of the most promising advancements is the integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) into nursing education. As Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) nurses continue to make invaluable contributions to the field, it is imperative for our community to harness the potential of AI to empower the next generation of nursing professionals. The role of nursing has transformed over the years, with technology playing a crucial part in enhancing patient care. AI, with its ability to analyze vast amounts of data and perform complex tasks, is poised to revolutionize nursing education, providing AAPI nurses with the tools needed to excel in a rapidly changing healthcare environment.

A recent article published in *Teaching and Learning in Nursing* by AAPINA member Dr. Ponrathi Athilingam discussed the application of AI in nursing education. The article focuses on the introduction and use of Chat Generative Pretrained Transformer (ChatGPT) in nursing education. ChatGPT is an AI-based language model developed by OpenAI, with versions like GPT-3.5 and the advanced GPT-4. The authors highlight the rapid growth of ChatGPT, its potential benefits in teaching and learning, and the questions its application in nursing education raises.

The authors presented ChatGPT’s responses to four prompts about nursing education, analyzing its responses and their implications for nursing education. ChatGPT’s responses covered several aspects of nursing education, including personalized learning, virtual tutoring, writing assistance, automatic grading, language translation, and answering questions. The authors acknowledged the potential benefits of ChatGPT, such as time-saving for educators and personalized learning experiences for students.

While the integration of AI in nursing education offers benefits, it is also essential for nurses to address potential challenges and ethical considerations. In the article, authors discuss the challenges and controversies of AI in nursing education, including risk for reduced critical thinking, plagiarism, ethical concerns, bias, and privacy issues.
AAPI nursing organizations must actively participate in shaping the ethical guidelines and standards for AI implementation in education and healthcare. This includes ensuring data privacy, transparency in algorithms, and a commitment to mitigating biases that may inadvertently be present in AI systems. Furthermore, AAPI nurses should actively engage with the development and implementation of AI technologies to ensure that they align with cultural values and needs. By being at the forefront of these advancements, AAPI nurses can contribute to the creation of AI systems that are culturally competent and respectful of the diverse perspectives within our community.
AAPINA would like to recognize the remarkable scholarly and professional projects undertaken by our esteemed members. Their dedication and contributions to the field of nursing continue to inspire us all. Join us in celebrating their achievements and learning from their valuable work.

**Personal and Professional Achievements:**

**Letha Joseph, DNP, AGPCNP-BC, FFNMRCSI, FAANP**  
Geriatric and Extended Care NP Residency Program Director, Durham VA Healthcare System, Durham, NC

- Received the award as Distinguished Educator in Gerontological Nursing by the National Hartford Center of Gerontological Nursing Excellence (NHCGNE)

**Ponrathi Athilingam, PhD, RN, ACNP, FAAN, FAANP, FHFSFA**  
Associate Professor, University of South Florida College of Nursing

- Completed a Fulbright Scholar award at the National University of Singapore (NUS) Singapore from January to April 2023 and published two with the faculty and students of NUS

**Lihong Ou, PhD, MS, RN**

- Dr. Ou has successfully defended her PhD dissertation entitled “Empowering Unvaccinated Youth Through Serious Games-based Intervention.”

**ChengChing (Hiya) Liu, PhD., MBA, RN**  
Assistant Professor, Michigan State University College of Nursing

- Dr. Liu (PI), Dr. Angela Chia-Chen Chen, and their colleagues have received the funding for their research project entitled “Development and pilot testing a video-based intervention to promote HPV vaccination among college students” in December, 2023.

- Dr. Liu has been accepted for the American Association of College of Nursing, the Diversity Leadership Training Program in 2024.
New Publications between July-Dec, 2023:


AAPINA ORGANIZATION NEWS

Join us for the 2024 International Nursing Conference in May 2024!

https://event.fourwaves.com/2024cainc/pages

Host: Catholic University of Korea (CUK) College of Nursing

Location: Convention Hall, Omnibus Park, 222, Banpo-daero, Seocho-gu, Seoul, South Korea

Conference Theme: Navigating the Nursing Ecosystem

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT!

Call for Abstract Submission

Submissions must be received by Wednesday, January 31, 2024, at 11:30 p.m.

Acceptance Email Notifications will be sent to the authors by February 29, 2024

Deadline for Early Bird Registration, March 31, 2024
Abstract Categories:

- Nursing Environment
- Nursing Humanity
- Nursing Technology

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