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American Holistic Nurses Association Recognizes Mary Enzman Hines as Holistic Nurse of the Year Award Recipient

Mary Enzman Hines RN, PhD, AHN-BC, of Aurora, Colorado was awarded the 2015 Holistic Nurse of the Year at the AHNA 35th annual conference in Branson, Missouri June 12-17, 2015. The Holistic Nurse of the Year Award (HNY) recognizes an AHNA member with outstanding innovation and/or a change in the field of holistic nursing and who has demonstrated their commitment to the holistic nursing core values. This award is presented each year at the AHNA annual conference.

About Mary
Mary is currently a professor emeritus at the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, adjunct faculty at the University of Northern Colorado, and is a practicing certified pediatric nurse practitioner at several facilities including the nonprofit organization Metro Community Provider Network (MCPN) in Aurora, Colorado. For many years, she has been a prominent voice for nurses and holistic nursing, involving numerous contributions. Mary was involved with the engineering of a new practice plan in Colorado, for APRNs, which will allow them to set up their own independent practices and independent prescribing. She serves as a leading presence in the process of aligning the APRN Consensus Model for Regulation with holistic nursing practices and she created one of the first prototype DNP programs with advance practice holistic nursing focus in the nation, which was recognized with HRSA funding. Mary has been a member of AHNA for 21 years and during that time she has been actively involved. She has served as the Education Provider Chair, Education Coordinator, President-Elect, and is a Past-President (2009-2011). Mary is currently a member of the Research Committee and is an Associate Editor of Research for the Journal of Holistic Nursing. She has been extensively involved with the American Holistic Nursing Credentialing Corporation (AHNCC) in many capacities including serving as the Chair of a Task Force that was in charge of determining the potential for an APHN certification program.

Mary has a passion for holistic nursing theory and practice that is reflected in nearly all of her 52 journal articles and 24 book chapters that she has either authored or co-authored. She has been awarded the Nightingale Award by the Colorado Nurses Foundation, an Online Teaching Award and has received millions of dollars in grant funding for her research projects.

About AHNA
At its founding in 1981, the American Holistic Nurses Association (AHNA) adopted as its primary mission the advancement of holistic healthcare by increasing awareness and promoting education as well as personal community-building among nurses, other healthcare professionals and the public. This non-profit professional membership organization is becoming the definitive voice for holistic nursing for registered nurses and other holistic healthcare professionals around
the world. Holistic nursing focuses on integrating traditional, complementary and alternative treatment opportunities to improve the physical, mental, emotional and relational health of the whole person.

AHNA delivers valuable resources, improves educational tools, and offers superior networking opportunities to a vibrant and expanding universe of healthcare professionals. AHNA currently services almost 4,500 members through 143 local chapters/networks in the U.S. and abroad.

Holistic nursing is recognized by the American Nurses Association as an official nursing specialty with both a defined scope and standards of practice.

The American Holistic Nurses Association’s Education Provider Committee is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center Commission (ANCC) on Accreditation.

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