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Exploring the Art and Science of Holistic Nursing: Validation of Transformational Nursing Practice through Self-Development and Certification

The American Holistic Nurses Association will be hosting a presentation titled “Exploring the Art and Science of Holistic Nursing: Validation of Transformational Nursing Practice through Self-Development and Certification” on Saturday, June 13, 2015 from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm in Branson, Missouri at its 35th annual conference. The purpose of this presentation is to provide a foundational overview of the Holistic Nursing Core Values, Scope & Standards of Professional Practice & Performance, and activities that validate expertise and leadership in Holistic Nursing. Course faculty facilitate self-development for both beginning and advanced holistic nurse, enabling participants to develop skills in actualizing their professional self-development goals, which may include national Holistic Nursing Certification.

Course presenter, Deborah Shields, RN, PhD, CCRN, QTTT, AHN-BC, has served as a staff nurse and educator since 1980. She is committed to exploring ways to integrate caring concepts into our lives and weaving these into heart-centered, intentional care practices for self and other. Her commitment to this lifelong journey is expressed in a number of ways; one of these is supporting nurses who are deepening their holistic nursing practice and professional self-development. Deborah has co-taught this workshop for six years, revising it to ensure that it is aligned with the Core Values and Scope & Standards of Holistic Nursing.

Course presenter, Margaret Erickson, RN, PhD, AHN-BC, has been working as a holistic nurse for the last 35 years in various healthcare settings which include but are not limited to Adult Health, ICU, Newborn Nursery, Labor and Delivery, Independent Practice, Mental Health, Long term Care, Academics, and Case Management. My theory-based nursing practice is focused on facilitating holistic health and well-being from a mind-body-spirit perspective. I have also consulted and worked with hospitals and organizations that are interested in implementing Holistic Nursing theory-based practice and with universities that are interested in developing holistic nursing curriculum for undergraduate and graduate nursing programs.

Shields and Erickson’s presentation is full day Saturday, June 13th, pre-conference workshop offered for 6.0 contact nursing education hours at a price of $240.00. It will be held at the Chateau on the Lake Resort Spa and Convention Center in Branson. To learn more about attending this presentation and other sessions, please visit our website at www.ahna.org/register. AHNA’s Education Provider Committee is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Credentialing Center’s COA. Provider Approves by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider #10442.

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.

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