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Foundations in Polarity Thinking: An Essential Skill for Holistic Nurse Leaders

The American Holistic Nurses Association will be hosting a workshop titled “Foundations in Polarity Thinking: An Essential Skill for Holistic Nurse Leaders” 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 workshop is to provide learners with knowledge of the historical roots of polarity thinking; the foundational skills of polarity thinking and to participate in opportunities to apply these skills to common polarities (e.g., nurturing and transformation; honoring the past and staying relevant) in personal and professional holistic nursing experiences.

Course presenter, Evelyn Clingerman, RN, PhD, is Executive Director of the Bonnie Wesorick Center for Health Care Transformation and has established an Institute for Interprofessional Polarity Thinking in Healthcare within the endowed center at Kirkhof College of Nursing. Dr. Clingerman has spent the past ten years serving as a member of the Research Committee for AHNA and has completed research that involves specific aspects of holistic nursing. Recent scholarly work also includes an investigation of the uses of polarity thinking in healthcare and integration of health care services in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Dr. Clingerman is Executive Director of the Bonnie Wesorick Center for Health Care Transformation and leads the Center in the scholarly work of improving and transforming every aspect of health care where the hands of those who give and receive care meet.

Course presenter, Bonnie Wesorick, RN, MSN, FAAN, DFNAP, currently serves as Founder and Chairman Emeritus of CPM Resource Center in Grand Rapids, Michigan. The CPM framework is used in nearly 400 settings in North America. She has contributed to 30 plus years of developing students, faculty, and health care leaders in practice and educational settings. Her recent work includes establishing an endowed Center to expand this work into academia that allows all people to benefit from the knowledge and skills of the framework, including polarity thinking; and authoring a textbook on polarity thinking in healthcare.

Clingerman and Wesorick’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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