American Holistic Nurses Association Recognizes William Deane with the 2017 Journal of Holistic Nursing Writing Award for Education

William H. Deane, PhD, MSN, RN-BC of Dartmouth, Massachusetts was awarded the 2017 Journal of Holistic Nursing JHN Writing Award for Education at the 37th annual conference in Rancho Mirage, June 5 - 10, 2017. The JHN Writing Award for Education recognizes excellence in writing and its contribution to advancing holistic nursing education through publication.

His published research article, “Incorporating Peplau’s Theory of Interpersonal Relations to Promote Holistic Communication Between Older Adults and Nursing Students,” examined Hildegard Peplau’s interpersonal relations theory as a framework to aid nursing students to implement holistic nursing communication and increase proficiency during their encounters with older adults.

About William H. Deane

William H. Deane, PhD, MSN, RN-BC, is an associate professor of nursing at MassBay Community College in Wellesley, Massachusetts. Prior to beginning his nursing education career as a professor, William received his Masters of Nursing from Framingham State University, in Framingham, Massachusetts then obtained his doctorate in Philosophy and Nursing (education) from the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth in 2016. He currently provides classroom, clinical, and nursing laboratory instruction to nursing students using up to date QSEN competencies and the newest educational approaches such as flipped classroom and concept-based teaching in an associate's degree nursing program.

William focuses his current research on understanding the process of educators who transitioned from traditional to concept-based teaching within nursing education programs.

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 professional specialty nursing membership organization is 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 integrative treatments 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 130 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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