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AHNA Awards the Journal of Holistic Nursing Writing Excellence Award for Conceptual/Theoretical Research

The American Holistic Nurses Association’s Journal of Holistic Nursing Excellence in Writing Awards are intended to recognize excellence in writing and its contribution to advancing the scholarship of holistic nursing through publication in the Journal of Holistic Nursing. In 2020, four writing teams and their articles were selected as recipients of the JHN Excellence in Writing Award. For Conceptual/Theoretical Research, the article chosen is ‘What’s in a Definition? Holistic Nursing, Integrative Health Care, and Integrative Nursing’ authored by Noreen Cavan Frisch, RN, PhD, FAAN, HN-BC, and David Rabinowitsch, RN, DNP, CHTP/I, AHN-BC, CNE.

About Noreen

Noreen Frisch, RN, PhD, FAAN, HN-BC, has been a member of AHNA for over three decades and has found that the philosophy and principles of holism have impacted all of her accomplishments in a long academic career. She has served as a School Director and Department Chair of Nursing at four universities, both in the US and Canada. Her scholarly interests have involved nursing theory, nursing curricula, nursing standardized language and computerized health records. She has published 6 books and over 100 articles and presented her work widely. Currently she is a Professor Emerita from the University of Victoria in British Columbia, Canada and working as a consultant to a unit in British Columbia that seeks to implement a Canadian-wide initiative implementing patient-oriented research as an innovative approach to all health research. The article on ‘definitions’ is a contribution to an area of Nursing where use of language and descriptions have lacked clarity.
About David

David Rabinowitsch, RN, DNP, CHTP/I, AHN-BC, CNE is an Associate Professor of Nursing at Felician University in Lodi, New Jersey, USA. He is a holistic nurse who has practiced and taught Guided Imagery and Healing Touch in the U.S. and abroad. He worked in Hospice and Palliative Care as well as Geriatrics for over 25 years, with additional experience in nursing education administration. Dr. Rabinowitsch is Past President of AHNCC. He earned a Doctor of Nursing Practice from Case Western University with a concentration in Nursing Education, completing research on Healing Touch offered for college credit. His Master’s in education from Sage College prepared him to be a Mental Health Clinical Nurse Specialist.

About AHNA

Founded 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 nonprofit professional nursing specialty 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 alternative treatment opportunities to improve the mind body and spiritual health of the whole person.

AHNA delivers valuable resources, improves educational tools, and offers superior networking opportunities to a vibrant and expanding universe of holistic healthcare professionals. AHNA currently services more than 5,500 members through 152 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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