Section Leadership for the past year:
  Chair: Krista Jones DNP, MSN, ACHN, RN;
  Chair Elect: Barbara Velsor-Friedrich PhD, RN
  Past-chair: Krista Jones DNP, MSN, ACHN, RN

Meeting Agenda:

  Welcome and Introductions
    ● 5 people attended the session

RIG Leadership for the upcoming year:
  ● Chair: Barbara Velsor-Friedrich, PhD, RN, Loyola University Chicago
  o Bvelsor@LUC.edu
  ● Chair Elect: Carolyn Smith
  ● Past-chair: Krista Jones, DNP, MSN, ACHN, RN, University of Illinois at Chicago, Urbana Campus
  o kjones29@illinois.edu

Highlights of RIG activities at this year's conference:
2015-2016
Guarantee Symposium “The Emerging Adult” at the MNRS Conference In Milwaukee was held on Friday March 18, 2016 at 4:30 – 6:00 pm.
  o Risks For and Consequences of Workplace Violence among Adolescent Workers – Carolyn Smith
  o Sexual Health among Young People with Mobility Impairments: Challengers and recommendations – M. Secor-Turner
  o Health Risk Behaviors in Transgender Emerging Adults – N. Twigg.
  o PROMIS Sleep Disturbance and Sleep-Related Impairment in Adolescents: Examining Psychometrics Using a Subjective legacy Measure and Objective Actigraphy Data – A. Hanish.
  ● Podium Session Adolescent Health, Friday, March 18, 2016 from 4:30 – 6:00 pm. There were five presentations during this session. Unfortunately, the Adolescent Guaranteed Symposium and the Adolescent Podium Session were at the same time.

RIG Awards or Recognition:
There were no applications for the new or distinguished investigator award this year.

Research Presentations or Other Discussion:
There was no presentation this year.

RIG plans for the next three years:
  ● Members voted that topic for a competitive symposium for 2016-2017 will be “Health Promotion among Adolescents and Young Adults”. We will follow the dates for submission for the symposium and a call for abstracts for a podium presentation will be sent to the RIG members.
Background on the goals and purpose of the RIG:

Purpose

The purpose of the Adolescent Health RIG is to encourage networking, mentoring, and collaboration among researchers who target adolescents. Those who are actively conducting research or who are interested in research involving adolescents are welcome. Through our RIG, members can engage with other researchers in the field, receive consultation from senior researchers, find a mentor, or become a mentor to others.

Goals

A. To recognize the scientific contribution of members to adolescent health research
B. To build and support collaborative research partnerships among MNRS members
C. To disseminate information specific to researchers targeting adolescents
D. To promote mentorship and networking among members