Dear RIG members,

On behalf of our leadership team, we hope all of you had a nice summer!

Our RIG has had a busy start to the fall. Some important highlights of the summer include development of a student leadership team. The team is led our co-chair elect, Megan Miller (nee Flanigan), PhD candidate at Michigan State University. Other student members include Josh Hardin, Erica McClure, and Lindsay Obsarzanek. For more information or if you would like to get involved with the Student Leadership Team activities, please contact Megan Miller at <u>flanig21@msu.edu</u>.

Our RIG also submitted a competitive symposium application in July on the topic of complementary and integrative modalities used in palliative care and end of life research and practice.

Our RIG intends to highlight students and members in the forthcoming months. If you are a student interested in being highlighted, please email <u>flanig21@msu.edu</u>. All others, (e.g., faculty, researchers, etc.) interested in being highlighted please email the RIG Chair (<u>lehtor@msu.edu</u>)

Also, please let us know if you have updates in your productivity such as recent publications or presentations that you would like us to share in our RIG news, please forward to <u>lehtor@msu.edu</u>. Also, please stay tuned for our end of year RIG survey which will update our RIG on membership perceptions and productivity.

MNRS Updates

As a reminder, MNRS is accepting <u>Research</u> and <u>Evidence-</u> <u>Based Practice</u> Abstracts for Paper Presentations, Poster Discussions, 20x20 Presentations, Postcard Presentations, and Poster Sessions. <u>Read more</u>...

The deadline is October 21, 2019.

Every year, MNRS presents awards to selected members of MNRS who have made significant and notable contributions to the field of nursing research. The Awards Committee urges you to nominate a colleague or yourself today. <u>Read more</u>... **The deadline is October 3, 2019.**

Each year MNRS asks its members to nominate individuals for positions of volunteer leadership. As a member-driven organization, our nomination and election process is essential to the ongoing vitality and viability of the organization. <u>Read more</u>... **The deadline is September 30, 2019**.

The MNRS Foundation and Grants Review Committee urges you to apply for one of the four grant opportunities offered solely to MNRS members. <u>Read more</u>...

The deadline is October 18, 2019.

Other News

WJNR Special Issue Western Journal of Nursing Research will publish a special issue focused on Patient & Community Engagement in Research. Sue Rawl, PhD, RN, FAAHB, FAAN and Robin Newhouse, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN will be guest editors. <u>Read more</u>... Please send a short description of the paper to Dr. Rawl (<u>srawl@iu.edu</u>) by **November 1, 2019 5:00 PM ET.**

MNRS invites you to join the conversation on social media. Please be sure find and follow MNRS on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>Instagram</u>. Be sure to share your MNRS photos and announcements and hashtag #MNRS #Nursing#Science.

RIG Awards

This year our RIG will be submitting applications for 6 awards. These award applications will be due **December 3, 2019**. Please stay tuned for the call with the description and nomination criteria for each award which you will all receive in the near future. The categories will be as follows:

Distinguished Researcher Award Mid-Career Investigator Award New Investigator Award PhD Dissertation Award DNP Project Award **Outstanding Publication Award**

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