The Eighth Annual Nursing Research Conference

On Friday, October 1, 2004, the Institute for Health Care Education and the Capital Area Alliance for Research and Research Utilization held its 8th Annual Conference. This year’s Conference with over 260 nurses and nursing students from throughout the state was a big success! The Conference theme, Evidence-Based Transcultural Research in Cyberspace, covered the topic of transcultural research and application of informatics in practice settings (e-health). Participants had the ability to hear two national speakers, learn from a selection of 13 presentations and 8 poster sessions earning them 5.3 Contact Hours from the AANC Commission on Accreditation/Connecticut Nurses Association.

Special Thanks to Joan MacRae for all the outstanding work she has done to make this conference a success all of these years. Joan is retiring this year from Hartford Hospital after 37 years of service.

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KeyNote Speaker, Josepha Campinha-Bacote  
Ph.D., APRN, BC, CNS, CTN, FAAN  
Cultural Conscious Approach to Evidence Based Practice and Research

Plenary Speaker, Diane J. Skiba Ph.D., FAAN,  
Transforming Nursing Practice Through  
Telehealth Opportunities

Research Utilization award given to Barbara Deckers RN (center) for her outstanding contributions to HH Cancer Nursing Research. Left to right: Cancer Research RN Coordinator, Camille Servodidio, Barbara Deckers (recipient), and Joan MacRae.
Poster Winners

First Place
Michele Koss BSN, MS, CCRN and Erica Siddell Ph.D., RN, Children’s Medical Center
*Primary Team Nursing in PICU*

Second Place
Ellen Blair APRN, Unit Manager Donnelly One North, Institute of Living,
*How Do We Enhance Fall Prevention in a Geriatric Psychiatric Population?*

Third Place
Chi Nguyen RN, MSN, Hartford Hospital
*Elder’s Use of Community Service: Toward a Safe Environment for an Independent Population*

Important: Please watch out for a new name for the Alliance and its own new website domain this fall. At the time of this writing you can access the site at [http://199.231.18.153](http://199.231.18.153). Comments welcomed -- contact lcarama@harthosp.org.

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