Innovations in Clinical Inquiry: Nurses Transforming Ideas into Actions

Flex Course, Virtual & In-person: Apr. 24, 2024

This one-day annual conference, co-hosted by Shirley Ryan AbilityLab and Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago, provides a unique opportunity for nurses to pursue their clinical questions through scholarship, clinical inquiry, research, innovation, evidence-based practice and translational science. Tools and strategies to support the development of nursing research and innovation will be discussed. Nurse-led research and quality improvement projects will be shared. Attendees will have the opportunity to network with nurse scientists to help develop their own ideas.

Keynote Speakers

Eileen Lake, PhD, RN, FAAN

Dr. Lake is a nurse, sociologist and international leader in nursing systems research. She has over three decades of experience measuring elements of the nurse work environment and nurse staffing and analyzing their relationship to safety, quality of care and patient outcomes. She developed the National Quality Forum-endorsed Practice Environment Scale of the Nursing Work Index, a survey measure that has been used all over the world. Eileen is the Associate Director of the Center for Health Outcomes and Policy Research.
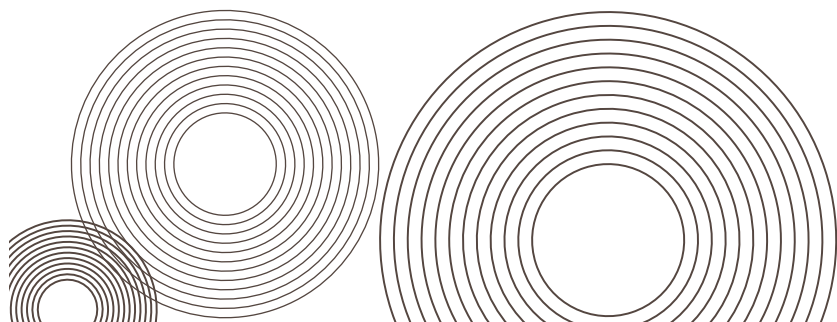
Lisa Burkhart, PhD, RN, ANEF

Dr. Burkhart is a Research Health Scientist in the Center of Innovation for Complex Chronic Healthcare at Edward Hines, Jr VA Hospital and Professor in the Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing, Loyola University Chicago. Her program of research focuses on whole-person, preventive care for individuals with chronic conditions, specifically Veterans with spinal cord injuries. As the leader of a mixed-methods study, Lisa developed the CAPP-FIT decision support tool to prevent community-acquired pressure injuries. Lisa is also exploring the use of wearable technology to detect complications in community-dwelling Veterans with SCI.

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