



Morehead Center for Nursing Practice Newsletter



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Welcome to the Morehead Center for Nursing Practice (MCNP) Quarterly Newsletter

Hello! I'm new here too! My name is Amelia and I am your handy dandy Administrator for the office of Transformational Practice and Partnerships. Basically, that means I am your go to for just about everything having to do with the MCNP and practicing College of Nursing (CON) faculty. Speaking of CON faculty, this newsletter was designed for you!

In this newsletter and in future issues expect topics related to subjects like: What is MCNP? What's so special about practicing faculty? Industry updates! Info from the Faculty Practice Committee. Of course, tips and tricks and a calendar of upcoming events.



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A Both/And Approach

The Morehead Center for Nursing Practice works to match clinicians from the College of Nursing with practice sites in our community. Many of us who are dedicated to teaching have held part-time jobs on the side to maintain our practice hours and clinical skills. We hope to make this easier for clinicians by negotiating setting/hours/routine that work for both the clinical setting and clinician faculty. This really helps in maintaining healthy work-life balance as clinical hours are a part of your primary role at the college. Combining clinical roles and teaching is a way to stay current and engaged in both worlds. We no longer have to choose between teaching and a full-time clinical role. We are

promoting a both/and approach. Personally, I love being in clinic seeing patients two days a week and three days, I am at the college teaching, participating in a way that works well for me. The Morehead Center acts as advocates for providers and aims to provide support and feedback along the way. If you have an interest in a clinical role while continuing to teach, we would love to help you make that happen. The Morehead Center has successfully supported many role types including APRN, RN and CNS. Reach out to us and learn more.



The Business of Nursing

– Kate Fiandt PhD, APRN-NP, FAANP, FAAN

In future newsletters, we will share more detailed information about the projects and partnerships that make our office unique, but first, a quick conceptual overview.

The Office for Transformational Practice and Partnerships (TPP) was formed three years ago and includes three departments:

1. International Programs
2. Morehead Center for Nursing Practice (MCNP)
3. Continuing Nursing Education (CNE)

The three departments are all tied together by a common but probably unexpected thread; their focus on nursing practice as a business. Each department has assets that are marketed and incorporated into a nurse led and focused business model. CNE produces and manages high quality continuing educational programs, both live and online. The role of CNE is vital in licensure upkeep, acquisition of new

skills, and knowledge development. Like CNE, International Programs provides nursing education for nursing students and faculty across the world. Often, international students travel to the US to be exposed to innovative nursing education and practice models. Finally, the MCNP markets faculty knowledge, clinical expertise, and the skills specific to advanced practice nursing and nursing research. All three areas are successful in “marketing” our assets of education, research and practice.

However, the “business of nursing” can be a difficult concept to convey, especially to those closest to it, faculty. The fiscal details of our business models can often make us, as nurses, uncomfortable. We get that. We work to demonstrate to faculty that we are committed to providing quality products and services as well as optimizing income for both the college and faculty. It is important to not underestimate our worth. Our long term goals are to



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have sufficient revenue in all three areas to contribute to the general operating expenses of the college.

Today, CNE's overall revenue allows them to be self-sufficient and the MCNP is slowing increasing revenue to support the department's costs. In the meantime, both the Omaha and Lincoln divisions have earned enough revenue to support at least one additional faculty position, a step in the right (or positive) direction.

PS. Did you know that I have a blog called Future Thoughts?
Check it out at: <https://blog.unmc.edu/future-thoughts/>

Faculty Practice Committee Update



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Co-Chair, Faculty Practice Committee
2017-2018

New for the 2017-2018 academic year is a change in the allocation of distribution of faculty revenue within the College of Nursing. Specifically, a new Clinical Revenue Distribution Plan was approved that will support faculty who have a contract through the Morehead Center of Nursing Practice.

Those contracted through the Morehead Center will now have the opportunity to apply to have their DEA and APRN licenses and required certifications covered through the Faculty Practice Fund. In addition, practicing faculty can also submit an application/proposal to request additional funds for things such as conferences and continuing education. Previously, money for these items were requested from the Division Deans. Applications and proposal for the new Faculty Practice Fund disbursement will be due September 1 and January 1 each year.

Applications for both license reimbursement and conference cost coverage can be accessed in three ways:

1. Morehead Center Sharepoint page
2. Dean's Drive (J Drive) > Morehead Center > Applications
3. Email moreheadcenter@unmc.edu

Due to scheduling issues, the Brown Bag lunch did not occur this past spring 2017 semester. The Annual Faculty Practice Workshop scheduled for Tuesday, August 15, has been rescheduled for Monday, September 18. For additional details, please email Ana Lara Ramirez at alararam@unmc.edu. The Faculty Practice Committee will be announcing the 2018-2019 Brown Bag in the near future. So stay tuned!

Important Upcoming Dates

Friday, August 25, 10 – 11 a.m. | CNS 4095

Faculty Practice Group Chat

Monday, September 18, 8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. | CNS 40120

Annual Faculty Practice Workshop

October 4–6

Nebraska Nurses Standing on Common Ground

Register at www.nebraskanp.com

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