



Seven Members of NAHN Selected to be Inducted as Fellows of the American Academy of Nursing

June 28, 2024 (Lexington, KY) – The National Association of Hispanic Nurses (NAHN) is pleased to announce that seven members of NAHN have been selected to become Fellows of the American Academy of Nursing (Academy). Induction into the Academy is a significant milestone in a nurse leader's career in which their accomplishments are honored by their colleagues within and outside the profession. Fellows are selected based on their contributions and impact to advance the public's health.

The Academy is a policy organization and an honorific society that recognizes nursing's most accomplished leaders in policy, research, practice, administration, and academia to advance equitable solutions to the most complex health care challenges. Academy Fellows hold a wide variety of influential roles in health care in the United States and abroad. Induction into the Fellowship represents more than recognition of one's accomplishments within the nursing profession. Fellows contribute their collective expertise to the Academy, engaging with health leaders nationally and globally to improve health and achieve health equity by impacting policy through nursing leadership, innovation, and science.

- Veronica Barcelona, PhD, MSN, RN, PHNA-BC – Columbia University School of Nursing / NAHN Connecticut Chapter
- Giovanna C. De Oliveira, PhD, MSN, RN, ANP-C, PMHNP-BC – University of Miami School of Nursing and Health Studies
- Melissa D. Hladek, PhD, CRNP, FNP-BC – Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing / NAHN Washington DC Chapter
- Adrianna Nava, PhD, MPA, MSN, RN – National Committee for Quality Assurance / NAHN President, NAHN Illinois & Washington DC Chapter
- Amanda D. Quintana, DNP, RN, FNP – Colorado Center for Nursing Excellence / NAHN Denver Chapter
- Darcel M. Reyes, PhD, ANP-BC, – City University of New York Lehman College School of Health Sciences Human Services & Nursing / Westchester County Chapter
- Jorge A. Valdes, DNP, CRNA, APRN, FAANA – Florida International University Nicole Wertheim College of Nursing & Health Sciences / Miami Chapter

The newest Fellows, selected from a competitive pool of applicants, represent 37 states, the District of Columbia, Guam, and 14 countries. Their unique expertise and expansive body of knowledge will soon bolster the collective impact of over 3,000 Academy Fellows to achieve the Academy's vision of healthy lives for all people.

The 2024 inductees will be recognized for their substantial, sustained, and significant contributions to health and health care at the Academy's annual [Health Policy Conference](#), taking place on October 31 – November 2, 2024 in Washington, DC during the Induction Ceremony on the evening of November 2nd. After the ceremony, the new inductees can use their FAAN (Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing) credential, the most prestigious

recognition in nursing.

[Learn more](#) about the Academy and [visit the policy conference website](#) for more details. For individuals interested in attending the Induction Ceremony, tickets can be purchased [online](#).

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About the American Academy of Nursing

The [American Academy of Nursing](#) serves the public by advancing health policy and practice through the generation, synthesis, and dissemination of nursing knowledge. Academy Fellows are inducted into the organization for their extraordinary contributions to improve health locally and globally. With more than 3,000 Fellows, the Academy represents nursing's most accomplished leaders in policy, research, administration, practice, and academia.

About the National Association of Hispanic Nurses

Since 1975, NAHN has been the nation's leading professional society for Latino nurses. With a growing membership of more than 40 local chapters, NAHN represents the voices of over 220,000 Latino nurses throughout the United States. NAHN is devoted to promoting safe, quality health care delivery to Latino communities and recognizing excellence among Latino nurses. To learn more, visit www.nahnnet.org.

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