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EDUCATION

Doctor of Nursing Practice, 2010, Chatham University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
Master of Science, 2000, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida, Family Nurse Practitioner track.
Bachelor of Science, 1995, Radford University, Radford, Virginia, nursing major.
Master of Business Administration, 1992, R. B. Pamplin College of Business, Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University, Blacksburg, Virginia.
Bachelor of Arts, 1990, Radford University, Radford, Virginia, majors in history and political science.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Fall 2017-present, Assistant Professor, James Madison University School of Nursing, Harrisonburg, Virginia
2013-2017, Adjunct Faculty, Florida Atlantic University Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing, Boca Raton, Florida
2000, Adjunct Faculty, Palm Beach Community College, Lake Worth, Florida

CLINICAL POSITIONS

2015-2017, FNP, Healthcare Clinic at Walgreens, Loxahatchee, Florida.
2008-2014, FNP, Clinic Coordinator and AHCA Lab Director, Take Care Health Systems, Delray Beach, Florida.
2007-2008, FNP, per diem, Minute Clinic, Miami, Florida.
2007-2008, FNP, Tri Tech Health, Ft Lauderdale, Florida.
2005-2007, FNP, Wound Technology Network, Hollywood, Florida.
2003-2005, ICU RN, Delray Medical Center, Delray Beach, Florida.
2001-2003, FNP, National Health Services, Shafter, California.
2000, FNP, Palm Beach Regional Juvenile Detention Center, West Palm Beach, Florida.
1997-2000, RN, EMSA, Palm Beach County Jail, West Palm Beach, Florida.
1995-1999, RN, Veterans Administration Medical Center, West Palm Beach, Florida.
1994-1995, Student Nurse Technician, VA Medical Center, Salem, Virginia.

CERTIFICATION/LICENSURE

Specialty Certification

2000-present, Board Certification, Family Practice Nurse Practitioner, ANCC

Licensure

Virginia, 2018-present, Licensed Nurse Practitioner
Virginia, 2017-present, Registered Nurse
Florida, 2000-2018, Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner
California, 2001-2003, Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner
Florida, 1995-2000, Registered Nurse

Virginia, 1995-1997, Registered Nurse

HONORS/AWARDS/MEMBERSHIPS IN HONORARY SOCIETIES

2014-present, Sigma Theta Tau

1998-2000, National Health Service Corps Scholarship

1995, Nursing Scholar Award, Radford University, Radford, Virginia

1995, Sigma Theta Tau induction

1994-1995, VALOR Scholar, VA Medical Center, Salem, Virginia

MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

2014-present, Gerontological Society of America

2014-present, Southern Nursing Research Society

2014-2018, Florida Nurses Association

2014-present, American Nurses Association

2003-2017, Nurse Practitioner Council of Palm Beach County

PUBLICATIONS

Schminkey, D., Long, M., Annan, S., Sawin, E., Jagiello, K., Elkins, D. (2023). *Midwifery at all costs: Experiences of chronic health conditions in U.S. midwives*. [Manuscript Submitted for Publication]. James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA.

Schminkey, D., Elkins, D., Jagiello, K., Annan, S., Robinson, J., Sawin, E. (2023) *Structural barriers to health care access and IPV disclosure in first-generation Latina Immigrants*. [Manuscript submitted for publication]. James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA.

Annan, S., Jagiello, K., Elkins, D. Metzler-Sawin, E., Schminkey, D., & Robinson, J. (2023). *Defining healthy intimate relationships: A qualitative pilot study of rural Hispanic women*. [Manuscript submitted for publication]. James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA.

Sawin, E. M., Annan, S. L., Schminkey, D. L., Elkins, D. L., Jagiello, K. P., & Robinson, J. D. (2022). Registered Nurses in Primary Care Screening for Violence During Annual Wellness Visit: Perceptions and Challenges. *AAACN Viewpoint*, 44(6), 4-8.

Switzer, T., Sawin, E., Eaton, M., Switzer, D., Lam, C., Robinson, J., & Elkins, D. (2021). Implementing Enhanced Primary Care Registered Nurse Reimbursement in Rural Health Clinics: A Policy Analysis. *Policy, Politics & Nursing Practice*, 15271544211011989–15271544211011989. <https://doi.org/10.1177/15271544211011989>

Tappen, R. M., Elkins, D., Worch, S. & Weglinski, M. (2016). Modes of decision making used by nursing home residents and their families when confronted with potential hospital readmission. *Research in Gerontological Nursing* 9(6), 288-299.

Tappen, R. M., Worch, S. M., Elkins, D., Hain, D. J., Moffa, C. M., & Sullivan, G. (2014). Remaining in the nursing home versus transfer to acute care: Resident, family, and staff preferences. *Journal of Gerontological Nursing*, 40(10), 48-57.

PRESENTATIONS & POSTERS

Metzler Sawain, E., Switzer, T., Lam, C., Robinson, J., Elkins, D & Eaton, M. (2023). *Mutual benefit: Investing in rural health and community health nursing education through the UPCARE Project, an academic-practice partnership*. 2023 ACHNE APHN Joint Conference, San Diego, CA, June 4-8, 2023.

Elkins, D., Schminkey, D., Annan, S., Jagiello, K., Robinson, J. & Sawin, E. (2022). *Insights from nurses performing Medicare Annual Wellness visits concerning screening and responding to histories of violence and unintentional injury*. Nursing Network on Violence Against Women International, 24th Conference, Durham, NC. June 21-23, 2022

Switzer, T., Metzler-Sawin, E., Lam, C., Robinson, J., Elkins, D., & Eaton, M. (2022). *Preparing nursing students for enhanced roles in primary care: The importance of academic-practice partnerships*. American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nursing Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, NV, May 17-21, 2022.

Metzler-Sawin, E., Lam, C., Robinson, J., Elkins, D., Switzer, T., & Eaton, M. (2021). *Rural health immersion as a transcultural experience: Preliminary results of the undergraduate primary care and rural education (UPCARE) project evaluation*. Transcultural Nursing Society Annual Conference. Albuquerque, NM, October 27-30, 2021.

Robinson, J., Metzler-Sawin, E., Schminkey, D.L., Annan, S., Elkins, D., & Jagiello, K. (2021). *RNs providing annual wellness visits to rural older adults improves social connectedness and likelihood of identifying power-based personal violence*. Public Health Nursing section. American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, October 24-27, 2021

Sawin, E., Annan, S., Elkins, D., & Schminkey, D. (June, 2020). *Expanding the role of the Registered Nurse to address the health effects of violence and injury in rural older adults using United States Medicare Annual Wellness Visits*. Nursing Network on Violence Against Women International 23rd Conference, Malmö, Sweden. Moved to virtual due to Covid-19.

Sawin, E.M., Lam, C., Robinson, J., Switzer, T., Elkins, D., & Eaton, M. (2020, June 4-6). *The Undergraduate Primary Care and Rural Education (UPCARE) Project: Innovations in Interprofessional Community-based Nursing Education in a Rural Health Clinic Setting*. Podium presentation at The Association of Community Health Nursing Educators Conference. Louisville, KY. Conference cancelled.

Long, M.H., Annan, S., Elkins, D., Sawin, E.M., Schminkey., D.L. (2020, May 30-June 1). *An Investigation of Chronic Health Conditions in U.S. Midwives*. The 65th American College of Nurse Midwives (ACNM) Annual Meeting & Exposition. Virtual meeting, May 30-June 1.

Elkins, D., & Henry, N. (2015, November). *Why do NH residents and their families insist on re-hospitalization when a change in condition occurs?* Podium presentation at the 2015 Gerontological Society of America Annual Conference, Orlando, FL.

Elkins, D., Tappen, R. M., & Engstrom, G. (2015, November). *Ethnic disparities in shingles vaccination in community dwelling older adults in south Florida*. Podium presentation at the 2015 Gerontological Society of America Annual Conference, Orlando, FL.

Elkins, D. (2015, April). *Not just for kids: Vaccinations for older adults*. Podium presentation at the 2015 Interprofessional Geriatric Training: Nursing Module, Boca Raton, FL.

Tappen, R. M., Elkins, D., Engstrom, G., & Ouslander, J. (2015, February). *Ethnic disparities in shingles vaccination rates among a group of south Florida older adults*. Podium presentation at the 2015 Southern Nursing Research Society Annual Conference, Tampa, FL.

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

Teaching Activities at JMU:

Spring 2023:

NSG 353: Pathophysiology and Pharmacology
NSG 450: Nursing Inquiry and Research Methods
NSG 456: Capstone

Fall 2022:

NSG 353: Pathophysiology and Pharmacology
NSG 450: Nursing Inquiry and Research Methods
NSG 456: Capstone

Spring 2022:

NSG 353: Pathophysiology and Pharmacology
NSG 319: Sexuality Across the Health-Illness Continuum
NSG 351: Health Assessment

Fall 2021:

NSG 353: Pathophysiology and Pharmacology
NSG 319: Sexuality Across the Health-Illness Continuum
NSG 351: Health Assessment

Summer 2021

NSG 466: Community Health Practicum, undergraduate RN to BSN

Spring 2021

NSG 353: Pathophysiology and Pharmacology
NSG 319: Sexuality Across the Health-Illness Continuum

Fall 2020

NSG 353: Pathophysiology and Pharmacology
NSG 357L: Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Clinical Practicum

Summer 2020

NSG 466: Community Health Practicum, undergraduate RN to BSN

Spring 2020

NSG 353: Pathophysiology and Pharmacology

NSG 453L Population-Centered Care in the Community

Fall 2019

NSG 352L Clinical Applications & Reasoning in Nursing Care I

NSG 353: Pathophysiology and Pharmacology

NSG 415 Ethical Decision-Making in Healthcare

Summer 2019

NSG 466: Community Health Practicum, undergraduate RN to BSN

Spring 2019:

NSG 353: Pathophysiology and Pharmacology

NSG 357L: Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Clinical Practicum

NSG 415: Ethical Decision-Making in Healthcare

NSG 673: Practicum III

Fall 2018:

NSG 353: Pathophysiology and Pharmacology

NSG 352L: Clinical Applications & Reasoning in Nursing Care I

NSG 357L: Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Clinical Practicum

NSG 354: The Art and Science of Nursing

NSG 415: Ethical Decision-Making in Healthcare

Summer 2018:

NSG 466L: Community Health Practicum, undergraduate RN to BSN

NSG 357L: Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Clinical Practicum

Spring 2018:

NSG 353: Pathophysiology and Pharmacology

NSG 352L: Clinical Applications & Reasoning in Nursing Care I

NSG 354: The Art and Science of Nursing

Fall 2017:

NSG 353: Pathophysiology and Pharmacology

NSG 352L: Clinical Applications & Reasoning in Nursing Care I

NSG 354: The Art and Science of Nursing

Past Teaching at Florida Atlantic University:

NUR 4284: Dynamics of Aging

NUR 4768L: Nursing Situations in Practice: Older Adults and Persons in Long-Term and End-of-Life Care

NUR 4860C: Professional Development in Nursing 3: Leader/Coordinator of Caring Environments

NUR 4861C: Professional Development in Nursing 4: Member of a Caring Profession

Service Activities at JMU

Advisor to two SON Honors students, Fall 2022-present

RAM Clinic, with SON students, Fishersville, VA, November 18, 2022

SON Faculty Development Committee, member, 2022-present

SON Undergraduate Admissions and Progression Committee, member, 2020-2022

Advisor for 17 first and fourth semester nursing students, 2021-22

SON Diversity Committee, member, 2018-2021

CHBS Diversity Council, member, 2018-2021

Member of Research & Scholarship Showcase Committee in planning/ preparation and implementation of CHBS Research & Scholarship Showcase held on February 21, 2020

New Faculty Academy, James Madison University, 2017-18 Academic year

Building Multicultural Competency Workshop, James Madison University, Facilitator in Fall and Spring 2017-18 semesters

Professional Development, 2018-present

Personal Safety and Security, Weapons and Explosives, Freedom of Expression series, JMU, February 21, 2023

ATI Resource Integration, JMU SON, November 3, 2022

Equitable, Accessible, and Inclusive Teaching Practices, National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity webinar, August 23, 2022

Nursing Network on Violence Against Women International 24th Conference, Durham, NC. June 21-23, 2022

NLN Taking Aim: Beyond Diversity and Between Equity and Inclusion, NLN webinar, May 24, 2022

Catalyzing Climate Change Content in Health Professions Education, AACN webinar, May 24, 2022

Climate & Intergroup Relations: Inclusive Excellence, AACN webinar, January 26, 2022

Exploring Anti-Racism in Health Professions Education, AACN webinar, January 19, 2022

Access and Success: Inclusive Excellence, AACN webinar, January 11, 2022

Tell Me Who You Are Book Club, Session 1, JMU School of Nursing, September 30, 2021

Decolonizing Nursing: What? Why? How? Panel Discussion, Nursology.net in association with the Center for Nursing Philosophy, September 23, 2021

Promoting Age Friendly Care: Working Together to advance geriatric nursing education, Bellin College June 7-8, 2021

Microaggressions Workshop, JMU, May 11, 2021

Teaching LGBTQ+ Health to Health, CHBS, April 30, 2021

2021 NCSBN Scientific Symposium, March 22, 2021

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Workshop, CHBS, January 15, 2021

Overview of Substance Use Disorders, American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry, December 7, 2020

AACN Diversity Symposium, “Diversity- Essential for Inclusive Excellence” December 2-3, 2020

Mindfulness in Clinical Practice Seminar, PESI, October 6,7, 2020

FNP Board Certification Renewal, October 2020

Substance Use Disorders, Addressing Prevention, Radford University, June 2020

Pri-Med, Washington, DC, March 6, 7, 2020

Understanding and Overcoming Unconscious Bias Workshop, JMU, February 24, 2020

Holistic Admissions Review in Academic Nursing Workshop, JMU, February 11, 2020

Virginia Rural Health Association Conference, Martinsville, VA, November 20, 2019

Psychopharmacology: Essential Information for Mental Health Professionals, May 2019

Combating the Opioid Crisis, April 2019

Advanced Pharmacology Certificate, October 2018

Iggy’s 2018 NCLEX Camp for Nurse Educators, June 2018