Greetings From the Dean

I recently arrived at the Institute full of excitement and eagerness to serve as your Dean of the School of Nursing. During my brief tenure here, I have listened to our very bright students, interacted with a committed faculty, and met alumni who take pride in being a graduate of the IHP.

I have great administrative colleagues and I’m eager to work collaboratively with them to explore innovative programs, and develop new initiatives and partnerships. I have been pleased with the warm reception and welcome to Boston and the Institute.

As we look toward the future of nursing education, we need to be mindful of the changes occurring in health care. Health care is undergoing a phenomenal transformation. Millions of Americans are now insured as a result of the Affordable Care Act and require access to health care. There is a new look at the costs and benefits of health care, which in its current state continues to be a drain on our economy. New models of health care reimbursement are being dictated by major payers and regulatory agencies.

We are shifting our health care goals from illness and inpatient treatment of disease processes to wellness and preventative care in primary care and community settings. We are concerned about the health of populations and the need to have healthy communities is requiring a shift from an individual patient model to groups and communities that experience health disparities.

The changes in health care require us to examine our curricula and program goals. Such changes require our graduates to enter the workforce with a core of nursing knowledge and professional competencies at the generalist and advanced practice level with greater emphases on technology, informatics, interprofessional education, leadership, ethics, health policy and finance, and population health. Our students must have access to best practices in clinical education, engagement in our communities, participation in interprofessional education, and be exposed to simulation and other forms of technology. Our students must develop their...
leadership skills, be culturally sensitive, and remain compassionate when delivering care.

We face these challenges in health care as opportunities. I look forward to working collaboratively with colleagues at the Institute and our clinical partners to build quality nursing education programs that consider these health care trends. Our scholarly work in discovery, teaching and learning, and application done with other disciplines will strengthen the patient care experience. Our graduates will provide quality and safe care to individual, families, and communities in a wide range of settings. As always, we appreciate the support of the IHP community. I look forward to our journey.

With warm regards,

Inez Tuck, PhD, MBA, MDiv, RN
Dean, School of Nursing

Palan Lopez Named AAN Fellow

School of Nursing Professor Ruth Palan Lopez has been named the Institute’s eighth American Academy of Nursing Fellow. She was cited for her efforts in developing innovative ways to care for people with dementia who are nearing end of life.

BSN Holds First Convocation

opioid overdose prevention strategy. Nurse practitioner student Tory Hill (!) and members of the Student Leadership Committee at the Harvard Medical School Center for Primary Care organized the event.

President Bellack Named Fellow

President Janis Bellack was named a Fellow of the National Nursing League’s Academy of Nursing Education for her academic leadership in advancing nursing education.

Learning From Babies

Interprofessional Infant Development Day brought more than 20 young children ages 12 weeks to 3 years – a majority of whose parents are IHP alumni – to the annual event where students observed the kids and focused on understanding the roles and responsibilities of the various health care professionals in developmental assessment. Facebook album.

Faculty and Alumni Publications

Examples of faculty research during the 2015-2016 academic year include:

Adjunct Assistant Professor Peg Baim, co-author: A Case Report of Improvement in Crohn's Disease-related Symptoms Following Participation in a Comprehensive Mind-Body Program, Global Advances in Health and Medicine.

Professor Janice Goodman, co-author: The Course and Interrelationship of Maternal and Paternal Perinatal Depression, Archives of Women’s Mental Health.

Instructor Patricia Grobecker, author: A Sense of Belonging and Perceived Stress among Baccalaureate
The School of Nursing held its first convocation ceremony for incoming students in the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program. Held in January, the event featured keynote speaker Gaurdia Banister, an adjunct professor and executive director of the Institute for Patient Care at Mass General. [Facebook album.]

NP Students Hold Annual Generalist Ceremony

Assistant Professor Rebecca Hill gives the keynote address while Dillon Young ‘17 looks on.

Master of Science in Nursing students in the Class of 2017 participated in the annual generalist ceremony in April. Assistant Professor Rebecca Hill gave the keynote address, Rebecca Thal was the student speaker, Tory Hill received the Stephanie Macaluso ‘88 Leadership Award, and several students received awards from the MGH Nurses’ Alumni Association. [Facebook album.]

Chinese Delegation Visits Campus

Incentives and Barriers to Precepting Nurse Practitioner Students. The Journal for Nurse Practitioners.

Jacques Mohr Professor of Geriatric Nursing Research Diane Mahoney, co-author: Prototype Development of a Responsive Emotion Sensing System (DRESS) to Aid Older Persons with Dementia to Dress Independently, Gerontechnology.

Jacques Mohr Professor of Geriatric Nursing Research Diane Mahoney, Sharon LaRose ’11, co-authors: Family Caregivers’ Perspectives on Dementia-Related Dressing Difficulties at Home: The Preservation of Self Model, Dementia.

Professor Patrice Nicholas, co-author: Addressing the Confusion Related to DNS, DNSc, and DSN Degrees, With Lessons for the Nursing Profession, Journal of Nursing Scholarship.

Assistant Professor Rita Olans, co-author: The Critical Role of the Staff Nurse in Antimicrobial Stewardship: Unrecognized, But Already There, Clinical Infectious Diseases.

Alisa Pascale ’15, Professor Margaret Beal, co-authors: Rethinking the Well Woman Visit: A Scoping Review to Identify Eight Priority Areas for Well Woman Care in the Era of the Affordable Care Act, Women’s Health Issues.

Assistant Professor Mimi Pomerleau, author: Witnessing the Mother-Daughter Dynamic Across a Cultural Divide, Nursing for Women’s Health.

Amelia Peabody Professor in Nursing Research Lisa Wood, and PT Assistant Professor Janet Kneiss, co-authors: Induction of IL-6 by Cytotoxic Chemotherapy Is Associated With Loss of Lean Body and Fat Mass in Tumor-free Female Mice, Biological Research for Nursing.

IHP Nursing Alumni Cited in Boston Globe Salute to Nurses
A delegation of faculty from Yancheng Institute of Health Sciences in China visited the Institute, meeting faculty who teach Global Health Nursing courses and touring the school’s facilities.

**Faculty Receive IHP Fellowships**

Professor Janice Goodman received a Changing Course Teaching Fellowship for her project “Development, Implementation, and Evaluation of OSCEs in Psychiatric Mental Health Advanced Practice Courses.” She is working with Instructor Susan Stevens and Associate Professor Patricia Reidy, who also is the project’s mentor.

Assistant Professor John Wong, who works in the Fatigue Research Lab, received a Faculty Research Fellowship Award for his project “Regulation of IL-1β Production by Mcl-1.”

**Mass General Ranked #1 Hospital**

Massachusetts General Hospital – which founded the MGH Institute in 1977 – is now ranked the Number 1 hospital in the country, according to the annual “America’s Best Hospitals” survey by U.S. News & World Report.

Five School of Nursing alumni were among dozens listed in Boston Globe’s annual Salute to Nurses section, published in recognition of National Nurses Week which runs May 6-13.

The graduates are: Virginia Capasso, Class of 1994, Massachusetts General Hospital; Mary (Tricia) Flynn, Class of 2014, Brigham and Women’s Hospital; Jacqueline MacHain, Class of 2004 who was recognized by a patient’s wife, Newton-Wellesley Hospital and Massachusetts General Hospital; Kaitlin Morse, Class of 2013, Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital; and Diana Ostrofsky, Class of 2014, NewBridge on the Charles.

**Ndiwane to Participate in Gerontological Program**

Associate Professor Abraham Ndiwane has been selected to participate this summer in the 2016 Faculty Institute for Gerontological Nursing, sponsored by the Massachusetts Senior Care Foundation in collaboration with the University of Massachusetts Lowell School of Nursing.

**Alumni Corner**

**Celebrate National Nurses Week**

Thursday wraps up National Nurses Week, a special time to honor nurses’ roles in advancing care for those in need. What better way to celebrate than by making a tribute gift in honor or memory of a colleague, classmate, mentor, or faculty member whom you feel has had a profound influence on your life and work. Make a tax-deductible gift, of any amount, to scholarships, your program of choice, or to meet the Institute’s most pressing needs.

And now you can double the impact of your gift. Two members of our Board of Trustees have together generously offered to match all donations made before June 30th up to a total of $25,000. This means your gift could go twice as far!
NP Scholarly Presentations

Shira Klane discusses her project with faculty members Talli McCormick, Casey Sweeney, and Suellen Breakey.

Graduating Master of Science in Nursing students presented their scholarly projects in April during the School of Nursing’s annual event. Facebook album.

Tell Us About Your Life!

We invite you to submit a class note to share with your fellow alumni what is happening in your world. This includes such things as new jobs and promotions, professional presentations given, and awards, along with marriage photos, and photos of you with your new baby. We’ll include them in an upcoming issue of the MGH Institute magazine.

Join The IHP's Online Community

We invite you to become part of our expanding online alumni community by joining IHP's LinkedIn, Facebook, and other social media to keep up with your MGH Institute classmates and fellow graduates.

Library Resources for Alumni

MGH Institute alumni have access to journals, databases, and other research resources at the Institute’s Alumni Library Resources section. This robust section is sure to meet many of your research needs. Contact IHP Librarian Jessica Bell with questions or for assistance.

Career Resources Available

Making a career move? Need your resume updated? Need to prepare for an upcoming interview? Check out IHP’s career resources website and start moving forward now. Make an appointment with our career counselor.

We're Looking for Bloggers!

Are you interested in blogging for the Institute about your experiences as a nurse? You can do it on the
Kaveri Roy  
Assistant Professor

Margie Sipe  
Assistant Professor

Mary Thompson  
Assistant Professor

Stephen Wood  
Assistant Professor

Please submit suggestions or comments about any issue at the IHP to President Bellack's online suggestion box, Institute Input.

Feedback, Tips, Ideas, Etc.

Please forward items of interest to Nursing News editor John Shaw, View past editions.

On the Honor Roll Again

The IHP was the only college in Massachusetts named to the Honor Roll in The Chronicle of Higher Education’s 2015 Great Colleges to Work For survey. Video.