

The Center for Nursing Research

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CNR Mission Statement

As a Center for Nursing Research in a Research I University, the mission of the CNR is to initiate, innovate, facilitate and support the development, implementation & evaluation of nursing & healthcare research that can improve the health, well-being and quality of life of individuals, families and communities.

Announcements



RESEARCH CAMP

June 12, 2008

R.S.V.P. Lauren (lar@uab.edu)

All SON Faculty & PhD Students are invited to attend

Helping Young Women



Dr. Gwen Childs' research focuses on developing education and interventions to help young African American women make better decisions about their bodies. Dr. Childs chose this area

of research due to the rapid increase of young women within the African American community who have recently become infected with HIV and the lack of education directed towards prevention with this population. In Alabama, the highest rates of gonorrhea, syphilis, and chlamydia are among African American women aged 15 to 25 years and the presence of a sexually transmitted disease increases vulnerability for contracting HIV. "I was shocked by how little was being done in my community to educate people about HIV, particularly adolescents. The programs designed for adolescents provided basic information about HIV and other sexually transmitted infections. However, any

discussion of safe sex practices was excluded" says Childs. Furthermore, she states that there is a need for new programs that not only educate young women to make healthy choices about sex, but also focus on changing risk behaviors.

Dr. Childs believes that the development and implementation of such programs in the African American community face major obstacles and that there is an unwillingness of most people to admit that HIV/AIDS is a problem in their community. Additionally, the African American community's mistrust of "researchers" is a problem; and much of her time is spent trying to find ways to gain that trust.

Dr. Child's hopes that the trust she earns will provide the foundation on which to develop an HIV risk reduction program for young African American adolescent girls in cooperation with Birmingham-area organizations who already focus on HIV prevention. One of her long term goals is to expand her research to include adolescents in juvenile detention centers.

Attend a Research Interest Group (RIG)!

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From the Desk of Karen Meneses

We are pleased to announce the recipients of the 2008 Dean's Scholar Awards; Dr. Anne Alexandrov, Dr. Gwendolyn Childs, Dr. Yvonne Eaves, Dr. Teena McGuinness, Dr. Anthony Roberson, and Dr. David Vance. The Dean's Scholar award program provides intramural funds for pilot projects in research, innovative educational programs, and/or clinical partnerships. The goal of the DSA is consis-

tent with the UAB School of Nursing's mission to enhance scholarship through research, education, and practice. This year, we have six recipients who represent a wide range of clinical and research activities. Please join me in congratulating our Dean's Scholar Awardees.



Karen Meneses

Writers Interest Group (WIG)

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Newsletter item?

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Looking Ahead...

Save the date for the following Lunch-n-Learn sessions;

Thursday, September 4 (12-1)
Trissi Gray- "Grant Mechanisms"

Tuesday, September 23(12-1)
Lisa Ennis-Lister Hill Library
"Precision Searching: PubMed"

Thursday, December 4 (11:30-1)
Shelia Moore "IRB Update"

Thursday-January, 8(12-1)
Lauren Antia- "Preparing Scientific Posters"

Getting to Know-Dr. Anthony "Tony" Roberson



Tell me a little bit about your job and your research- I am an assistant professor in the SON. My research focus is in the area of adolescent psychiatric mental health, specifically related to consent and decision-making in the treatment setting.

Where did you go to school? University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill - PhD, University of South Florida - MSN, Troy State University - MS, St. Petersburg College - AD, University of Alabama - BA.

Where have you lived? I grew up in Pensacola. I have lived in South Florida (St. Petersburg), Chapel Hill, North Carolina, and Dallas, Texas.

Do you have any pets? Two miniature pinchers; Scout and Atticus.

Tell me about your family. My family is primarily from Florida and southern Alabama.

Have you ever met anyone famous? Ronald Reagan & Renee Fleming, others too, but these were the most impressionable.

Who has had the greatest influence on your life? My parents.

What was the last book you read?

"Crazies to the Left of Me, Wimps to the Right: How One Side Lost Its Mind and the Other Lost Its Nerve" It's a great read, I love politics!

Do you have a personal motto? "The price of growth is always less than the cost of stagnation" - author unknown.

Are you a sports fan? I am an avid Crimson Tide fan! Anything Crimson Tide floats my boat! Roll Tide Roll! And I 'play at' golf.

Do you have any hobbies? Cooking, entertaining, skiing (water and snow), & golfing.

Where is your favorite vacation spot? Scottsdale Arizona, Park City, Utah, & the Gulf Coast of Florida.

Tell me about your very first job.

I was a waiter at a Country Club in Pensacola - I really enjoyed it!

What is your all-time favorite movie? To Kill a Mockingbird.

Where is the best place to get lunch around UAB? The Pita Stop.

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UAB policy requires that in order to receive reimbursement for UAB related travel, employees must submit their travel-related receipts no later than 60 days following the day of their return. Employee travel reimbursement re-

quests that are submitted beyond the 60 day period will be denied unless a memo is submitted and approved by the Dean. The memo should state the reason the request was submitted late.

Also please remember that these payments will be considered as W-2 reportable employee compensation.

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