The UCSF International Nursing Network for HIV/AIDS Research

HIV/AIDS continues to be a significant threat to public health throughout the world. We believe that generating and sharing nursing research has the potential to positively influence quality of care and patient outcomes across the spectrum of HIV disease. We believe that this mission is best achieved through the ongoing collaboration of nurse scientists throughout the world.

Goals

- Improve the quality of care for persons living with and affected by HIV/AIDS;
- Link nurse scientists and clinicians working in HIV/AIDS;
- Participate in developing an international agenda for HIV/AIDS research in nursing;
- Generate cross-cultural and cross-national research in HIV/AIDS;
- Promote the active involvement of nurse researchers throughout the world; and
- Identify and train nurse scientists.

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Research Network Strategies

Develop and implement an international HIV/AIDS nursing research program.

Foster communication among Network participants through regular meetings and other means, e.g. email.

Share conceptual, methodological, and technical expertise.

Conduct cross-cultural, cross-national nursing research studies.

Establish international nursing research database in HIV/AIDS.

Disseminate study findings through international presentations and publications.

Network members bring interdisciplinary perspectives and analytic methods to HIV/AIDS nursing research through doctoral education in a variety of disciplines including nursing, sociology, education, educational technology, sexology, public health, immunology, and psychology. In addition, interdisciplinarity is reflected in the post-doctoral training of Network researchers in areas such as biostatistics, microbiology, muscle function, public health, biomedical informatics, and HIV/AIDS.

Meetings and Conferences

The Network usually meets twice each year. Our meeting sites in the USA have included: San Francisco, CA; Honolulu, HI; New Orleans, LA; Boston, Cape Cod, MA; Bethesda, MD (NIH campus); Minneapolis, MN; Wilmington, NC; Las Vegas, NV; New York, NY; Austin, TX; and Seattle, WA. Outside the USA, sites have included: Gaborone, Botswana; Toronto, Canada; San Juan, Puerto Rico; Bela Bela, South Africa; Taipei, Taiwan; Mexico City, Mexico; and London, UK.
Conferences

Nursing Science & HIV/AIDS: Global Challenges and Opportunities
July 7-8, 2004, Chiang Mai, Thailand

2nd International Conference on Nursing Science & HIV/AIDS: Enhancing HIV/AIDS Prevention, Treatment and Care through Nursing Science
August 10-11, 2006, Toronto, Canada

International Collaborators (selected)

Aga Khan University, Nairobi, Kenya
Chang Gung University, Taipei, Taiwan
Chiang Mai University, Chiang Mai, Thailand
Muhimbili University, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
National University of Lesotho, Maseru, Lesotho
North-West University, Potchefstroom, South Africa
Universidad del Turabo, Gurabo, Puerto Rico
University of KwaZulu-Natal, Durban, South Africa
University of Malawi, Lilongwe, Malawi
University of Oslo, Oslo, Norway
University of Puerto Rico, San Juan, Puerto Rico
University of São Paulo, Ribeirão Preto, Brazil
University of South Africa, Pretoria, South Africa
University of Swaziland, Mbabane, Swaziland
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Projects

Study I: Predictors of Adherence in HIV/AIDS
Study II: Symptom Management for Persons with HIV Disease
Study III: Self-care Symptom Management in HIV/AIDS
Study V: Exploring the Role of Self-compassion, Self-efficacy and Self-esteem for HIV-positive Individuals Managing Their HIV

Scholarly Activities

Study I: Predictors of Adherence in HIV/AIDS

Publications


Gir, E., Pratt, R., Bunch, E., and Holzemer, W.L. Adherence to anti-retroviral therapy: A four-country comparison. [Abstract 60129]


Study II: Symptom Management for Persons with HIV Disease

Publications


Abstracts from the 13th International AIDS Conference, Durban, South Africa, July 10-14, 2000, Reprinted in Journal of the Association of Nurses in AIDS Care


Kemppainen, J., Holzemer, W., Nokes, K., Eller, L., Corless, I., Bunch, E., Kirksey, K., Miramontes, H., and Chou, F. Anxiety and fear in HIV disease. [Abstract ThPeB5237]


Other Abstracts


2001 Chou, F.Y., and Holzemer, W.L. HIV symptom management strategies: A web-based study, 22nd International Congress of Nurses, Quadrennial Congress, Copenhagen, p. 34.


Study III: Self-care Symptom Management in HIV/AIDS

Publications


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Abstracts from the 15th International AIDS Conference, Bangkok, Thailand, July 11-16, 2004


Abstracts from the 16th International AIDS Conference, Toronto, Canada, August 13-18, 2006


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Other Abstracts


Publications


Abstract from the 16th International AIDS Conference, Toronto, Canada, August 13-18, 2006


Abstracts from the 17th International AIDS Conference, Mexico City, Mexico, August 3-8, 2008


**Other Abstracts**


**Abstracts from the 18th International AIDS Conference, Vienna, Austria, July 18-23, 2010**


**Abstracts from the 19th International AIDS Conference, Washington, DC, July 21-26, 2012**


**Study V: Exploring the Role of Self-compassion, Self-efficacy and Self-esteem for HIV-positive Individuals Managing Their HIV**

**Publications**


**Abstracts from the 18th International AIDS Conference, Vienna, Austria, July 18-23, 2010**


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From March 8-14, 2005, the Rockefeller Foundation’s Bellagio Study and Conference Center hosted a team of thirteen scholars in residence to address AIDS stigma. The study, “Perceived AIDS Stigma: A Multinational African Study” is funded by the National Institutes of Health’s Fogarty International Center (R01 TW06395; Holzemer, PI; Uys, Co-PI), and is a collaboration of the University of California, San Francisco, South Africa’s University of KwaZulu-Natal, National University of Lesotho, University of Malawi, Tanzania’s Muhimbili University, South Africa’s North-West University, University of Swaziland, and the Southern African AIDS Network of Nurses and Midwives (SANNAM).

Resources

Download the HIV/AIDS Self-Care Symptom Management Manual

http://nursing.ucsf.edu/international-center-hivaids-research-and-clinical-training-nursing