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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### ISPN Establishes First-Ever Psychiatric–Mental Health Nurse Fellow

**WINDSOR, WI — April 23, 2026** — The International Society of Psychiatric–Mental Health Nurses (ISPN) is proud to announce the establishment of the **Fellows of ISPN (FISPN)** program, the first fellowship dedicated specifically to recognizing excellence and sustained contributions within the psychiatric–mental health nursing profession.

The FISPN designation honors psychiatric–mental health nurses who have demonstrated leadership, scholarship, service, and a lasting commitment to advancing mental health care and the profession. This new fellowship represents a significant milestone for ISPN and for psychiatric–mental health nursing nationally and internationally.

The inaugural class of FISPN Charter Fellows was formally inducted during the **ISPN 2026 Annual Conference in Seattle**, marking the first time this distinction has been awarded. These 24 Charter Fellows represent a distinguished group of leaders whose work has shaped practice, education, research, and advocacy within the field.

#### The 2026 FISPN Charter Fellows include:

Elizabeth Bonham, PhD, RN, PMHCNS-BC, FAAN

Kathleen Delaney, PhD, APRN, PMH-NP, FAAN

Claire Burke Draucker, PhD, RN, FAAN

Shawn Gallagher, PhD, PMHNP-BC, PMHCNS-BC, FNP-BC

Cheryl Woods Giscombe, PhD, PMHNP-BC, FAAN, FABMR

Vicki Hines-Martin, PhD, PMHCNS, RN, FAAN

Sara Horton-Deutsch, PhD, RN, PMHCNS, FAAN, ANEF

Victoria Soltis Jarrett, PhD, PMHNP-BC, FAANP, FAAN

Brayden Kameg, PhD, DNP, PMHNP-BC, CARN-AP, CNE, FAAN, FIAAN

Gretchen LaGodna, PhD, RN, CS, FAAN

Rene Love, PhD, DNP, PMHNP-BC, FNAP, FAANP, FAAN

Beverly Malone, PhD, RN, FAAN

Susan McCabe, EdD, APRN, BC (*Posthumous*)

Pamela Minarik, PhD, RN, CNS, FAAN

Ukamaka Oruche, PhD, RN, PMHCNS-BC, FAAN

Evelyn Parrish, PhD, APRN, PMHCNS-BC, APRN, CMP (*Posthumous*)

Barbara Peterson, PhD, PMHCNS-BC, APRN, FNAP

Steven Prymachuk, PhD, PGDipEd, RN (MH), CPsychol, SFHEA

Sally Raphael, MS, APRN-PMH, FAAN



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“This fellowship reflects ISPN’s commitment to recognizing excellence and elevating the visibility of psychiatric–mental health nursing,” said Elizabeth Bonham, PhD, RN, PMHCNS-BC, FAAN, 2026 FISPIN Inductee. “The FISPIN designation honors those whose careers exemplify leadership, impact, and dedication to improving mental health outcomes.”

The 2027 FISPIN class of FISPIN will be inducted at the **2027 ISPN Annual Meeting**. Applications will open in **May 2026** and close in **August 2026**. Additional details regarding eligibility criteria and the application process will be shared on the [ISPN website](http://ispn-psych.org).

For more information about ISPN and the Fellows of ISPN program, visit [ISPN website](http://ispn-psych.org).

### About ISPN

The International Society of Psychiatric–Mental Health Nurses (ISPN) is dedicated to advancing psychiatric–mental health nursing practice, education, research, and policy to improve mental health care worldwide.

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