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### Collaborating with Faith Communities to Educate about Mental Illness

**Peggy Dulaney, MSN, RN**

I would like to share an idea about how we as psychiatric-mental health nurses can more actively engage with our communities. In South Carolina, the United Methodist Church is sponsoring a second large conference on the role of the church in addressing issues of mental health and illness. The first such conference was held last August in the northeastern area of the state. In March, the second conference will be held in the large, more heavily populated northwest area. The conference is open to all faith communities.

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### Policy Special Interest Group

**Sally Raphael, MS, APRN-PMH, FAAN**

The ISPN Policy SIG work moves forward with voting representation as a member of the Nursing Community Coalition (NCC) in Washington, D.C. (thenursingcommunity.org). The Nursing Community Coalition is comprised of 61 national professional nursing associations representing up to 4 million nurses dedicated to building consensus and advocating on a wide spectrum of healthcare issues, including practice, education, research, and regulation. It is committed to improving the health and health care of our nation by collaborating to support the education and practice of registered nurses (RNs) and advanced practice registered nurses (APRNs) in all fields of nursing. Business is conducted by a monthly conference call or in-person meeting at AACN in Washington, D.C.

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## Archives of Psychiatric Nursing

Official Journal of ISPN  
[www.psychiatricnursing.org](http://www.psychiatricnursing.org)

A reminder about the following upcoming special issues of the Journal. Please plan to submit!

The Future of Psychiatric Nursing-Ten Years Later  
Guest Editor: Emily Hauenstein  
Submission due date: June 2019

Social Determinants of Health: Impact on Mental Health Outcomes  
Guest Editor: Edilma L. Yearwood and Vicki Hines-Martin  
Submission due date: January 2019

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## 21st ISPN Annual Conference



**Amanda Baltierra, Chair, and Edilma Yearwood, Co-Chair (on behalf of the Conference Committee)**

May 29 – June 1, 2019, Charlotte Marriott City Center Hotel, Charlotte, NC

We are excited to invite you to the upcoming 2019 ISPN Annual Conference. The theme this year is Critical Conversations with Psychiatric Nurses: Preparing for the Next Decade.

To date the speakers, include:

- Susan Hagedorn, PhD, RN, PNP, WHNP, FAANP -Opening Keynote Speaker
- Norman Keltner, EdD, CRNP- Susan McCabe Speaker
- Sandra Thomas, PhD, RN, FAAN -Melva Jo Hendrix Speaker
- Faye Gary, EdD, RN, FAAN -Diversity & Equity Speaker
- Kenya Beard, EdD, AGACNP-BC, NP-C, CNE, ANEF -Closing Keynote Speaker

The 2019 Annual Conference incorporates a Psychopharmacology track along with four others: Research, Evidence-Based Practice, Education/Teaching Pedagogy, and Leadership Development.

Contact hours for the Annual Conference will be applied through the Wisconsin Nurses Continuing Education Approval Program Committee. Contact hours are complimentary with your registration fee.

The breadth and depth of the Conference proceedings this year are exceptional, and we look forward to seeing you in Charlotte, May 29 – June 1, for a time of learning, reflecting, networking, and re-connecting. Visit [Things to Do in Charlotte](#) to see what The Queen City has to offer. For registration, preliminary programs, hotel accommodations, and speaker information, visit the [Conference page](#) on the ISPN website.

Conference registration will open in early February and Early Bird Registration ends April 15, 2019! Watch the [website](#) for more information!

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