



30th **Health Ministries Association** **2019 National Conference**

Faith Based Approaches to Cultivate Healthier Communities

October 11 – 14, 2019

St. Elizabeth Training and Educational Center
3861 Olympic Blvd., Erlanger, KY

Statement of Purpose/Objectives:

- Engage individuals nationwide who practice at the intersection of faith and health.
- Examine whole person health as a dynamic process that embodies integration of spiritual, physical, mental and social dimensions.
- Discuss approaches and impact of collaborative partnerships that are key to building healthier communities.

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Welcome



Welcome, friends, to the 2019 Health Ministries Association Annual Meeting and Conference! We're so glad you're here, and we trust you'll be glad you came!

We're especially excited that you joined us as this year marks the 30th year of HMA's presence and work. For all these years, HMA has helped us be "people of faith working together for healthier communities." Along with many wise women and men of this faith-health movement, all of you are part of this life-affirming work in your congregations, communities, and the world. It's good that we all are here to celebrate what's been accomplished and to be inspired to continue this good work for many years to come.

These three-and-a-half days are framed around our theme of "Faith Based Approaches to Cultivate Healthier Communities." During these several days, we'll learn from peers in a wide variety of workshops and in the *Hall of Excellence poster presentation*. We'll hear from an intriguing array of speakers sharing their unique perspectives to enliven our work. We'll be invigorated as we meet new friends and catch up with old friends from around the country. Displays in the exhibit hall will expose us to resources to enrich our ministries. We'll catch up on the activity of HMA over the last year at our annual membership meeting. We'll meet HMA's first Executive Director, on board to help grow this distinctive organization in our scope and impact. And we'll party at our gala 30th anniversary dinner, moved by a renowned singing group. In short, it'll be a fabulous time together!

Do make sure to take time out for your spirit in the busyness. Take advantage of the opportunities throughout our gathering for communal as well as personal prayer and reflection. Take walks in the beautiful natural world here in northern Kentucky and be nourished in body and soul by this astounding creation. Pay attention to your wholeness.

Heartfelt thanks go to the local host committee and the conference planning committee, as well as the staff of SETEC who graciously host us again. And thank you for being here for this significant time together! May we be empowered to be a presence of hope for healthier communities everywhere.

Peace,

Rev. Karen MacDonald, M.Div.

HMA President

2018 HMA Award winners

**L-R Marilyn D. Harris, MSN, RN,
NEA-BC, FAAN**

Peggy Matteson, PhD, MS, RN

Cynthia Wacker, MSN/Ed, RN





2019 HMA Award Recipients

Kathy Bryant, BSN, RN-BC – Granger Westberg Leadership in Faith Community Nursing Award



Kathy Bryant has been a Health Ministries Educator since 2008 with Norton Healthcare's Faith and Health Ministries program in Louisville, KY. Kathy has been a member of Health Ministries Association since 2012. She is a Faith Community Nurse Mentor, FCN Society member and experienced FCN Leader. She has been referred to mentor several regional novice FCN's by HMA Board members, and many regional HMA members have contacted her for guidance and advice. In 2017, Kathy was among the earliest to become a Certified Faith Community Nurse through HMA and ANCC. Kathy's health ministry team chose to develop an annual whole person health and wellness clinic for the community. What started with a small vision and no budget blossomed into a full-facility clinic where 300 individuals received medical exams, flu shots, hearing/vision screenings, advance directive legal advice, haircuts, and other services. The model planted seeds at other churches to develop their own health ministry, some even replicating efforts for annual health clinics. One of the churches implemented a mobile medical ministry with Kathy's input. Kathy serves as Chairperson of the Good Samaritan Foundation Committee of the United Methodist Church (KY) and is a Board of Director Member of Grace Kids: A Church for Children. She has been a leader in many mission trips since 2001, both in the United States and in Ghana, Costa Rica, Belize, and Honduras. Kathy is pursuing a master's degree in Public Health at the University of Louisville.

Marlene Feagan, MA, BSN, RN-BC – Wilkerson-Droege Award



Marlene has been the Health Ministries/Faith Community Nursing Coordinator for St. Elizabeth Healthcare of the Greater Cincinnati region for the past 22 years. Marlene is responsible for

the program's development and operations, including field site supervision of over 400 volunteers in 80 faith communities, and eight faith-based community sites in the northern Kentucky area. Marlene joined HMA in 1997 and is a lifetime HMA member. In the early 2000's, she served on the HMA Board of Directors as member-at-large and secretary. She returned to HMA leadership during the reorganization in 2008 in the role of Vice President. From 2009 to 2018 Marlene served as HMA president and on the Executive Committee. During her tenure, HMA became both fiscally and organizationally stronger. During Marlene's term as HMA President she was often the driving force behind nationally based collaborative agreements and projects with over 28 faith-health organizations. Marlene has presented at regional and national venues promoting HMA. More recently she has served as the Annual Conference co-chair in 2017, 2018 and 2019. Marlene works tirelessly to promote and enhance the professional role of the faith community nurse, including development of FCN certification. Marlene spearheaded HMA becoming an organizational affiliate of ANA. She served as a workgroup member for both the 2nd and 3rd editions of the *Faith Community Nurse Scope and Standards of Practice*. Marlene achieved her certification in faith community nursing in 2014 and recertification in 2019.

Susan Taylor, RN – Norma Small Outstanding Coordinator Leadership Award



Susan Taylor's leadership role in Health Ministry began in 1993 with the local Mercy Hospitals, now part of Dignity Health. She was a founding member of the Nor Cal FCN Education Network, established in 1999 to provide education and support to FCNs in Northern CA. Susan coordinates Dignity Health's Mercy Faith and Health Partnership for the Greater Sacramento Service Area. Also, under her leadership the Greater Sacramento Health Ministry Network was established as an independent 501(c)(3). This Network provides meetings, workshops and seminars for the region. Susan and another Nor Cal founding member, Sylvia Miller, co-authored "A Documentation Approach for Faith Community Nursing" which was published in *Creative Nursing* in 2010. Susan currently teaches documentation content in Foundations of Faith Community Nursing courses. She also served on the HMA Documentation task force. Susan is a lifetime member of HMA; she has served in national HMA leadership roles for nearly a decade, most recently as Vice President. In this role Susan served on the executive committee and spearheaded the work resulting in the development of many of HMA's policies and procedures. Susan was part of the leadership team with Norma Small that recommended structural changes for the HMA Board of Directors which were adopted in 2011. Susan is active in her local faith community, St. John's Lutheran Church in Sacramento. She serves on the Congregational Care Team as a Faith Community Nurse and as a Stephen Leader.



Exhibitors

Alzheimer's Association of Greater Cincinnati will provide information to learn about free educational programs and family support services, including programs for those facing Alzheimer's and dementia and their caregivers. Find out how to volunteer with us! (Saturday only) www.alz.org/cincinnati

American Holistic Nurses Credentialing Corporation will distribute information and materials regarding national board certification in Holistic Nursing and Nurse Coaching. www.ahncc.org

Cancer Companions is a nonprofit ministry which trains volunteers in churches to facilitate cancer Bible studies and provide Cancer Prayer Partners. These volunteers serve anyone in cancer treatment, post treatment, caregiver or loved one. www.cancer-companions.org

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CareNotes provides inspirational pamphlets on a variety of topics to help individuals heal mind, body, and spirit. www.carenotes.com

GLSEN Greater Cincinnati is a chapter of a United States-based education organization working to create safe and inclusive K-12 schools which was founded in 1990. (Friday morning only) www.glsencincinnati.org

Green Lime Arts will provide original photography and design. Gifts are meaningfully created on metal, mother of pearl, glass, and slate. There will be numerous small gifts to support spiritual practices and care of relationships. www.greenlimearts.com

Health Ministries Association is your professional membership organization, representing faith community nurses, health ministers, program leaders and spiritual leaders. HMA will provide information on the organization, membership benefits and resources available for purchase. www.hmassoc.org

Jolly Boys Woodworking shares their woodworking and wood turning skills to help others. Displayed for sale will be a variety of items made from wood. Great for gifts and personal use. jeremcintyre@zoomtown.com

Kentucky Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Program will provide information on the benefits of tobacco cessation and the services available to help with cessation, including the dangers of secondhand smoke and the importance of a smoke-free environment; especially regarding premature births and use of tobacco products by the youth of KY. <http://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dph/Pages/default.aspx>

Ministering to Ministers Foundation offers spiritual, emotional, physical, social and legal guidance to clergy and their families in all faith groups, the primary focus being clergy who have experienced forced termination or substantial conflict with their churches

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making continuing ministry together untenable. MTM has dedicated itself to a much larger investment in health promotion and conflict prevention in the relationship between clergy and their churches before they endure such debilitating and destructive experiences. MTM's support offers the possibility of healthy clergy-church relationships, relationship renewal, leave-taking without conflagration, and importantly, retention of terminated pastors for church service. www.mtmfoundation.org

Mount St. Joseph University offers educational materials for Health Sciences and Religious Studies. www.msj.edu

Pancreatic Cancer Action Network distributes information to the public, those battling pancreatic cancer, caregivers, health care professionals and local volunteers. Topics include risk identification, symptoms, and customized informational support. www.pancan.org

Parents of Addicted Loved Ones (PAL) is a faith based free support group, for parents and family members of persons suffering with Substance Use Disorder. PAL meetings have education, support, and share time. www.palgroup.org

soHza sister sells shirts, jewelry, purses and items from empowered women all over the world. A portion of sales is given to local non-profits, putting women in the center of change. (Saturday only) www.soHzasister.com

Stop the Bleed is a class to offer immediate responders education, hands on practice and a lot of encouragement to act in the event of a trauma in which there is uncontrolled or life threatening bleeding. This class is to focus on what bystanders can do to save a life even before the paramedics arrive. (Monday morning only) regina.menninger@uhealth.com

Supplies Over Seas will distribute information about their humanitarian mission of recovering surplus medical supplies bound for the landfill and using them to build hospitals and clinics in the developing world. www.suppliesoverseas.org

Tau Healing Arts offers Theresa's original art for sale, as well as reproductions-greeting cards, note cards, blessing prints, bookmarks, art prints, etc. Theresa paints in acrylic on wood, on spiritual themes in bright, beautiful colors. www.tauhealingarts.com

Turning the Page on Suicide will have available Broken Butterflies: Emerging Through Grief which is a resource for survivors of suicide. Also available will be Griefshare and Hospice grief counseling materials. www.turningthepageonsuicide.org

Wesley Theological Seminary is an educational institution based in Washington, DC. Their Heal the Sick program is part of the seminary and provides a variety of health ministry education programs and offerings, including a 22-hour health minister certificate. www.wesleyhts.org

Westberg Institute for Faith Community Nursing sponsors various educational resources to serve faith community nurses (FCNs) nationally and internationally. This includes the evidence-based Foundations of Faith Community Nursing Curriculum, bookstore serving FCNs and health ministry, webinar courses, the only platform for FCNs globally, and the international Westberg Symposium. All of which provide faith community nursing education. www.westberginstitute.org

Please Join Us For Our Constituent Groups Meetings

Saturday October 12, 2019, 12:00 pm – 1:15 pm

HMA constituent groups provide focused, in-depth information and connect members with peers who share common interests, affinities and practice settings.

These groups will gather during lunch as follows:

Faith Community Nurses &
Program Leaders - Banquet A

Health Ministers &
Spiritual Leaders - Keneland Room



Annual Conference

It Takes a Village



Along with the Board of Directors, there are many who help make HMA possible. For every person who has served on a committee, task force, and/or volunteered in any way, we are grateful.

There are other individuals who help in keeping the organization alive and well, but often remain behind the scenes. Here are some of them:

- Annemarie Halfpap, of Halfpap Designs, who helps with marketing and media materials, and so much more
- Kristina Heaton, Office Manager
- Ramona Hughes, Interim Office Manager
- Michelle Randall, former Office Manager, now Coordinator for the Health Ministries Program, Premier Health
- Julie Ruchniewicz, Executive Director
- Nancy Thibeault, who helps with our financial reports and systems
- Jessica Vesper, who helps with technical support

THANK YOU TO ALL!

WE NEED YOU! THE FUTURE OF HMA NEEDS YOU!

HERE ARE SOME OPPORTUNITIES TO BECOME MORE INVOLVED:

Submit an article for HMA today: your story of health ministry, or a best practice you have discovered.

Share resources: what are you using that others may find helpful?

Nominate a colleague for an HMA award.

Volunteer to serve on a committee and/or task force.

Share contacts for possible partnerships.

Offer your talents: what is your gift that you can share?

Share ideas and suggestions with any board member and/or our Executive Director.

Nominate a colleague for the Board of Directors.

Recommend HMA membership to all your colleagues.

If asked to serve in the work of the HMA organization, consider saying YES.



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Spiritual Offerings

Spiritual care opportunities are woven throughout the conference to help refresh and renew your spirit. We begin and end each day of the conference with an intentional 'Call to Prayer'.

This year we are again honored to have local artists and worship leaders to enhance our prayer/spiritual experience. We encourage everyone to take the opportunity to join us for our service of hope on Sunday morning to open our day. There will be a blessing of hands on Sunday after the ecumenical service. You will walk away inspired and hope-filled.

A special reflection and meditation room will be open for quiet contemplative time. We hope you will take advantage of this space to center yourself, breathe deeply, and find renewed hope and energy for the work ahead.

Denominational Meetings

United Church of Christ (UCC)

There will be a UCC denominational meeting Saturday, September 12th at the Residence Inn Cincinnati Airport Hotel located at 2811 Circleport Drive, Erlanger, Kentucky. The hotel has assigned the conference room from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm.

CHA Reception for Catholic Nurses

The Catholic Health Association (CHA) would like to invite you to join Catholic nurses in Catholic health care at a reception on Saturday, October 12th at the Courtyard Cincinnati Airport Hotel located at 3990 Olympic Blvd, Erlanger, Kentucky. The hotel has assigned the conference room located on the main floor of the hotel from 7:45 pm to 9:15 pm.



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