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Felicia has over 20 years' experience in nursing, with a background in long term care, psychiatric nursing, surgery, nursing education, family practice, and health ministry. In 2010, she began her work in health ministry, as part of her doctoral studies. While exploring the role of the advanced practice nurse in the faith community, she began serving as a leader for health ministries at her local church in Indianapolis, IN. She completed the foundations course and was commissioned as a faith community nurse in 2012. She was later asked to serve on the Parish Nursing/Health Ministries Committee for the United Methodist Church in Indiana Conference. Felicia became board certified as a faith community nurse in 2014. She served patients as an unpaid nurse practitioner in a free clinic based out of the St Thomas Episcopal Church in Franklin, IN from 2012-2015. After moving to Terre Haute, IN in 2015, she started the process of conducting a health needs assessment in her local church as the foundation for building a health ministry program there. In addition to currently being full-time nursing faculty and family nurse practitioner program director, she also sees patients part-time as a nurse practitioner at Wellness for Life, delivering concierge care at a variety of clinics throughout Indiana.

She has delivered poster and podium presentations focused on assessing osteoporotic fracture risk, adult back pain, a new diagnosis toolkit, using personal experience to drive innovation and evidence-based inquiry, basic assessment skills and behavioral changes in the elderly, preceptorship and mentorship for nursing students, challenges of preceptorship, and self-care. Her journal publications have focused on numerous health conditions addressed in primary care. She has given numerous invited presentations to women's groups about maternal and child health topics. Additionally, she has been on numerous medical, evangelical, and vision mission trips to El Salvador and Mexico over the past 6 years.

Felicia is a member of Health Ministry Association, American Nurses Association, and the Indiana State Nurses Association. She is a member of the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners and the Coalition of Advanced Practice Nurses of Indiana.

Felicia is a member of HMA's FCN Society and served on the 2016 ANA/HMA FCN Scope and Standards revision Task Force. Felicia is currently active on the Marketing and Guidance committee for Health Ministries Association, and, as of January 2017, joined the board of Health Ministry Association as the appointed Director for Practice and Education.

Felicia lives in Terre Haute, IN with her two "old men"—12 and 13 year old malteses, Murphy and Blue. She enjoys traveling, reading, movies, and watching her nieces and nephews grow up as well as spending time by the pool (with sunscreen!) in the summertime.