Where’s the Evidence?
Using Research to Create a Professional Practice Environment

Keynote Address by
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Friday, September 15, 2006
8:00 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.
Conference Center
South Central College
North Mankato, MN
Research Forum 2006:  
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KEYNOTE SPEAKER  
Joanne Disch, PhD, RN, FAAN is Professor of Nursing and Director of the Katherine J Densford International Center for Nursing Leadership at the University of Minnesota. In addition, she is the first to be appointed to the Katherine R. and C. Walton Lillehei Chair in Nursing Leadership.

Dr. Disch is a nationally and internationally recognized nursing leader. She has been president of the American Association of Critical-Care Nurses; chairperson of ANA’s Committee on Nursing Practice Standards and Guidelines; and chairperson of the Nursing Executive Council of the University Healthcare Consortium. Currently, she is a Board member of the Allina Health System and the American Academy of Nursing, and Chair of the AARP National Board of Directors.

She has published widely on issues related to critical care, nursing practice standards, the health care workforce, and leadership, and is a frequent speaker on these topics. Dr. Disch has received several awards including Outstanding Alumna from the University of Wisconsin School of Nursing; the Distinguished Alumna from the University of Alabama School of Nursing; and the Founders Award in Birmingham’s School of Nursing; Outstanding Faculty of Directors.

PRESENTATION TITLE  
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OBJECTIVES  
10:45 A.M. – 12 NOON  
A Research Partnership that puts “Jazz in your Job”

Objectives:  
(1) List the 5 components of the Densford Clinical Scholar Model  
(2) Identify 3 strategies for engaging staff nurses in clinical research  
(3) Define evidence-based practice

1:00 – 2:00 P.M.  
Collaboration is in the Eye of the Beholder

SCHEDULE  
8:00 – 8:30 A.M.  
Registration and Refreshments  
8:30 – 8:45 A.M.  
Welcome  
8:45 – 9:45 A.M.  
Concurrent Sessions  
9:45 – 10:45 A.M.  
Reception break while viewing posters  
10:45 A.M. – 12 NOON  
Award Julie Hebenstreit Scholar Grant  
Announce new Cindy Scherb Research Dissemination Grant  
12:00 NOON – 1:00 P.M.  
Lunch (included in registration fee)  
1:00 – 2:00 P.M.  
Keynote speaker  
2:00 – 2:15 P.M.  
Refreshment break (dessert)  
2:15 – 3:15 P.M.  
Concurrent Sessions  
3:15 – 3:30 P.M.  
Conclusion and Evaluation

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