2017 PNAA Leadership Fellows

The PNAA Leadership Fellows Program is a yearlong program that supports the leadership development of Filipino descent in the United States through education and mentorship. This initiative serves as a vehicle to engage and empower nurses who seek high-level careers in leadership and management, education and research. The Leadership Fellows program is directed by Reynaldo R. Rivera, DNP, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN and Joyce J. Fitzpatrick, PhD, RN, FAAN.

The Philippine Nurses Association of America (PNAA) is proud to announce that it has selected four (4) distinguished nurse leaders as its 2017 Leadership Fellows.

Jeanette N. Livelo, DNP, MS/MBA, RN, NEA-BC
Nursing Director, Medical Intensive Care Unit
Massachusetts General Hospital

Dr. Jeanette Livelo received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing at the Far Eastern University in Manila. She worked at the Philippine Heart Center for Asia before migrating to the US to be a staff nurse at Long Island College Hospital in Brooklyn, New York. After taking postgraduate courses at New York University, she moved to Boston where her nursing career grew. Jeanette holds a Doctor in Nursing Practice degree from Regis College, a Master of Science, and Master in Business Administration from the University of Massachusetts. She is a Nurse Director at the magnet designated Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, where she provides administrative and clinical coverage for the Medical Intensive Care Unit. Jeanette has more than thirty-five years of experience in nursing, fifteen of which were spent in nursing leadership and administration at major academic medical centers in Boston.

A visionary and transformational leader, Jeanette continues to engage and empower nurses at all levels to embrace quality care, service excellence and volunteerism. Her MICU team received a “Partners in Excellence Award” (2015) and “Excellence in Action Award” (2014). One of her most notable achievements is through engaging MICU nurses to be part of the Bio-threats (Ebola) Response Team for the hospital and for Region 1. She conducted a series of leadership retreats for staff members entitled “The Leader in You.” Dr. Livelo extends her volunteer work as a speaker on Advanced Care Planning and MOLST to health care workers and the community. Her major presentations include her doctoral thesis entitled “Knowledge, Attitudes and Experiences of Filipino-American Nurses Towards End-of-Life Care.” She is the co-author of a research article entitled “Can We Identify Patients at High Risk for...
Unplanned Extubation: A Large-Scale Multidisciplinary Survey” which was published in Respiratory Care (2010). She is the co-author of the book entitled “Lead, Empower, and Transform: You Can Do it” and the recipient of multiple awards for Leadership and Outstanding Service with PNA New England and PNA of America. Dr. Livelo was the Past President of PNANE and held various positions as a PNAA Executive Board Member. She is currently the Chairman of PNAA Bylaws Committee and PNANE’s advisory board member. She has more than 16 years of dedicated service and volunteerism to both professional organizations. She is involved with a Leadership Foundation in Boston. Dr. Livelo is passionate in helping health care workers and community advocates to promote programs against addiction and cancer prevention.

Warly Remegio, MS, RN-BC, NEA-BC, CCRN-CSC  
Program Director, Division of Nursing Education and Continuing Education  
New York-Presbyterian Hospital/Lower Manhattan

Warly Remegio is responsible for overseeing and implementing all education and professional development programs at NYP/LM. As an integral member of the nursing leadership team and of various organization committees, Warly always amplifies the value of education, specialty certification, and clinical excellence towards improving nursing practice and patient care outcomes. Many of his works, in collaboration with various stakeholders, impact nursing quality and patient safety and advance the nursing profession through fostering a culture of mentorship and professional development, empowering clinical nurses to maximize their autonomy, and promoting a healthy and supportive work environment.

He completed his Bachelor of Science in Nursing at Medical Colleges of Northern Philippines and his Masters of Science in Healthcare Management at Long Island University. He is board certified in critical care, professional development and advanced nurse executive. He is pursuing his Doctor of Nursing Practice in Nursing and Healthcare Leadership at Drexel University. He serves on the Board of Directors of the Philippine Nurses Association-New York Chapter, and is an active member of the Association of Nursing Professional Development and American Organization for Nurse Executives.

Regalado A. Valerio Jr., MS, RN, CRNA  
Faculty Nurse Anesthetist, Faculty Nurse Anesthetist  
LAC + USC Medical Center

Mr. Regalado A. Valerio has been a clinical instructor for the USC Program of Nurse Anesthesia since 2013. His areas of interest
include collaboration and communication enhancement, process improvement, and patient safety.

Mr. Valerio holds a double bachelor’s degree in Medical Technology and Nursing from University of Santo Tomas and Dr. Carlos Lanting College, where he graduated as Magna Cum Laude and Cum Laude respectively. He earned his Master’s Degree in Nurse Anesthesia from the University of Southern California in 2013 and graduated with the highest scholastic award. He is finishing his Doctor of Nursing Practice at Duke University and slated to graduate in May of 2017. His doctoral project focuses on the implementation of a standardized surgical checklist in the operating room to improve communication and team work among the peri-operative surgical team.

Lilibeth Tulang Cuevas, MSN, RN, APRN, FNP-BC
Nurse Practitioner
Care Spot/Med Post Health Care

Lilibeth Magan Tulang-Cuevas, MSN, APRN, FNP-BC is an advanced practice nurse at Carespot/Medpost Urgent Care in Jacksonville, Florida. Lilibeth is the President of the Philippine Nurses Association - Northeast Florida chapter, South Central Region (SCR) Vice-Chair, PNAA By-Laws committee, and SCR representative to PNAA’s Advanced Practice Nurse Forum (APNF). Lilibeth graduated from the University of New Mexico with a degree of Master of Science in Nursing in Adult Health. She completed her Primary Care Nurse Practitioner (PCNP) certificate program at the University of North Florida (UNF). She received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing at Western Mindanao State University with Magna Cum Laude honors. She is pursuing her Doctorate of Nursing Practice degree at UNF. She is an American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) board-certified, family nurse practitioner, a Department of Transportation (DOT) certified health care provider with the Federal Motor Carrier & Safety Administration (FMCSA) National Registry of Certified Medical Examiner (NRCME), and a certified medical examiner for workers compensation at the Department of Financial Services/Florida Division of Workers Compensation. Her areas of expertise include urgent care, occupational health, family medicine, and critical care.