



Grant Camps 2010

Sponsored by the Resource Center TriService Nursing Research Program (TSNRP)

Research Grant Camp – Eligibility: Active Duty, Reserve, or National Guard master's- or doctoral-level military Nurse Corps Officers who have limited research experience, plan to submit a research grant application to the TSNRP, and have not previously attended Research Grant Camp.

- **Research Grant Camp 1 (24-28 May 10)** Participants will present their research question and attend lectures about the literature review, quantitative and qualitative research methods, sampling and recruitment, data analysis, grant writing, the TSNRP grant application process, and much more. In addition, participants will work in small groups and with faculty mentors to refine their research question, discuss the research methodology, identify outcome variables, and address how the topic aligns with the TSNRP research priorities. Location: Uniformed Services University (USU), Bethesda, MD. Faculty: TBA.
- **Research Grant Camp 2 (3-4 August 10)** Participants who made measurable progress in integrating lessons learned in Session 1 into their research proposal participate in a mock scientific peer review session, receive individualized feedback about their proposal from a faculty mentor, and participate in roundtable discussions to further refine their proposal. Prerequisite: Research Grant Camp 1. Location: Naval Base Coronado, San Diego, CA. Faculty: TBA.

Evidence-Based Practice (EBP) Grant Camp – Eligibility: Active Duty master's- or doctoral-level Nurse Corps officers stationed at a military treatment facility who have limited EBP experience, plan to submit an EBP grant application to the TSNRP, and have not previously attended EBP Grant Camp. Attendees must identify a doctoral-level Active Duty, Reserve, Guard, retired military, or federal government EBP nurse expert who can mentor them.

- **Evidence-Based Practice Grant Camp 1 (16-18 June 10)** Participants will present their EBP topic and attend lectures about the literature review, types of evidence, models and strategies for EBP projects, tools used to evaluate evidence and guidelines, project outcomes, grant writing, the TSNRP grant application process, and much more. In addition, participants will work in small groups and with faculty mentors to frame their clinical question, select an EBP model to guide the project, identify outcome variables, discuss the research methodology, and address how the topic aligns with the TSNRP research priorities. Location: TBA. Faculty: TBA.
- **Evidence-Based Practice Grant Camp 2 (30-31 August 10)** Participants who made measurable progress in integrating lessons learned in Session 1 into their EBP proposal participate in a mock scientific peer review session, receive individualized feedback about their proposal from a faculty mentor, and participate in roundtable discussions to further refine their proposal. Prerequisite: EBP Grant Camp 1. Location: TBA. Faculty: TBA.

The TSNRP will pay travel, lodging, and per diem for invited participants. Travelers must attend on official TAD/TDY orders.

Submission Deadline: 16 February 2010

Notification: 31 March 2010

The Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USUHS) is accredited as provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

CNE contact hours are provided for participation in this educational activity.

Requirements for successful completion: In order to receive full contact-hour credit for this CNE activity, you must attend the entire activity, participate in individual or group activities such as exercises or pre/post tests, and complete and submit the evaluation and verification of attendance forms at the conclusion of the activity.

American Disabilities Act (ADA): If you require any special arrangement to attend and fully participate in this educational activity please contact kduncan@usuhs.mil at 301-319-0596 for special requests.

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Objectives: At the end of this course nurse participants will identify the characteristics of a fundable grant proposal.

TSNRP Research Priorities

Force Health Protection – A holistic examination of factors affecting the health care of operational personnel (e.g., war fighters, support personnel) and their families before, during, and after deployment

- Fit and ready force
- Deploy with and care for the warrior
- Care for all entrusted to our care

Nursing Competencies and Practice – Description and evaluation of the military nursing competencies necessary to sustain a patient from point of injury/other health event through the continuum of care. Evaluation of educational interventions to enhance learning and retention of military nursing operational skill sets. Translation of research and other knowledge into clinical practice. Outcomes studies to evaluate the effects of comparative treatments or implementation of evidence-based interventions.

- Patient outcomes
- Quality and safety
- Translate research into practice/evidence-based practice
- Clinical excellence
- Knowledge management
- Education and training

Leadership, Ethics, and Mentoring – Description and evaluation of interventions for leadership and mentoring characteristics, approaches, and strategies and their effects on military nursing leading to policy changes. Description and evaluation of the types of ethical issues that military nurses encounter in practice and the types of education, topics, and resources helpful to ethical military nursing practice. Description and evaluation of interventions designed to enhance recruitment and increase retention of military nursing personnel. Topics may include research about ethical issues specific to treatment, such as end-of-life care, treatment limitation, competency, informed consent, rights and responsibilities of patients and providers, ethical environments, and moral development and decision-making.

- Health policy
- Recruitment and retention
- Preparing tomorrow's leaders
- Care of the caregiver

Application Procedure

1. Complete the attached application form (also available at www.usuhs.mil/tsnrp).
2. Summarize the topic that you plan to study (20 pages maximum; 12 pt. type; APA format):
 - a. Describe the relevance to military nursing practice (100 words or fewer)
 - b. Explain how the research or EBP project aligns with one or more of the TSNRP research priorities
 - c. Provide a relevant literature review regarding the selected topic, including previous TSNRP- or federally-funded studies, which identifies a research or EBP gap and justifies how the proposed study or project will fill the gap
 - d. Describe how your clinical experience, education, or leadership expertise and interest relates to the topic
 - e. Describe the proposed research design (e.g., quantitative, qualitative, experimental, survey, descriptive, etc.) or EBP project category (conceptual guideline development or implementation of innovation)
 - f. Briefly describe the population to be studied
3. PhD and DNP students: Skip item 4 and proceed to item 5.

4. Obtain a Letter of Support from your Commander or Chief Nurse, indicating that he/she supports the topic from a nursing or institution perspective and approves attendance at both sessions of either the Research Grant Camp or the Evidence-Based Practice Grant Camp.
5. PhD and DNP Students: Indicate the number of years that you have completed in your education program and expected graduation date. Obtain a Letter of Concurrence from your Chairperson, indicating that he/she approves of your research or EBP topic and general plan to complete the research or project.
6. Send all application materials to TSNRP@usuhs.mil using the subject Grant Camp Application.

The TSNRP Resource Center's Advisory Panel will review all application materials and send invitations to the selected applicants no later than 31 March 2010.

Disclaimer: Attendance at Grant Camp does not guarantee that a grant application will be funded.

Application Form

Research Grant Camp & Evidence-Based Practice Grant Camp

Name, Rank, Service, & Component
(Active Duty, Reserve, or Guard)

Duty Station

Duty Mailing Address

E-mail Address

Daytime Telephone

Mobile Phone

Academic Credentials (e.g., MSN,
MSN student, PhD, DNP)

Research Study or EBP Project
Topic

Projected Mentor

TSNRP Research Priority (select
one or more)

- Force Health Protection
- Nursing Competencies and Practice
- Leadership, Ethics, and Mentoring

Date Projected to Deploy

Date Returned from Most Recent
Deployment

Time on Station

Date of Projected PCS

Date of Projected Separation from
the Military or Retirement

Social Security Number (for travel
orders)

Preferred Civilian Airport for Travel

Questions?

Contact the TSNRP Resource Center:

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