American Holistic Nurses Association Elects Margaret “Maggie” O’Brien King to Board of Directors

Margaret (Maggie) O’Brien King PhD, RN-BC, AHN-BC, CNL was elected to the American Holistic Nurses Association (AHNA) Board of Directors for a two year term, starting June 1st; She will be inducted into the position at the 36th annual conference to be held in Bonita Springs, Florida.

About Margaret O’Brien King

Margaret (Maggie) O’Brien King PhD, RN-BC, AHN-BC, CNL is a Professor Emeritus and former Associate Director of the Undergraduate Program, School of Nursing at Xavier University, Cincinnati, OH where she had been a faculty member for the past 27 years. She was responsible for the development of a nursing curriculum incorporating the Scope and Standards of Holistic Nursing. It was largely through her work that the Xavier School of Nursing was recognized as one of two initial schools providing a nursing curriculum that would permit students to obtain Holistic Nurse Certification through the American Nurses Certification Committee upon completion of their nursing program.

King’s most recent recognition was the presentation of the AHNA Lifetime Achievement Award in 2015. King has been a Sharing Circle Facilitator at the AHNA Annual Conference for many years, and in 2014 served as the Co-Lead Facilitator. She has presented several workshops and posters and has served on the Awards Committee for the past three years. She has been the Co-chair of the Consortium of Nurse Educators and is presently a member of the AHNA Education Provider Committee on the Beginnings team. Having published and reviewed numerous manuscripts related to holistic nursing, leadership, gerontology and education, she also serves as an Associate Editor for the Journal of Holistic Nursing.

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About AHNA
At its founding in 1981, the American Holistic Nurses Association (AHNA) adopted as its primary mission the advancement of holistic healthcare by increasing awareness and promoting education as well as personal community-building among nurses, other healthcare professionals and the public. This non-profit professional membership organization is becoming the definitive voice for holistic nursing for registered nurses and other holistic healthcare professionals around the world. Holistic nursing focuses on integrating traditional, complementary and alternative treatment opportunities to improve the physical, mental, emotional and relational health of the whole person.

AHNA delivers valuable resources, improves educational tools, and offers superior networking opportunities to a vibrant and expanding universe of healthcare professionals. AHNA currently services almost 4,500 members through 143 local chapters/networks in the U.S. and abroad.

Holistic nursing is recognized by the American Nurses Association as an official nursing specialty with both a defined scope and standards of practice.

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