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We are pleased so many of you have engaged with the newsletter, and reaching out about the global experiences profiled. We hope you continue to find these newsletters informative and let them inspire you. We invite you to engage with us about the stories we share by telling us your own. Connect with us on your favorite social media platform with the #FPBGlobalLeaders and #FPBNursing, or send us your stories by email (fpbglobal@case.edu). View past Nurses Month newsletters on our [website](#), and we look forward to celebrating the rest of the month with you.

Sincerely,

The Frances Payne Bolton Task Force for Global Leadership

The Role of the Nurse

Throughout Nurses Month, we are pleased to highlight important work of FPB community members and their commitment to advancing the role of the nurse.



FPB alumna and International Council for Nurses President Emerita, **Judith Shamian, RN, PhD ('88), D.Sc (Hon), LLD (Hon), FAAN**, has demonstrated her roles in health policy over the years.

“Nurses need to have a seat around the decision-making table,” she explains in a powerful video she filmed for the FPB Task Force for Global Leadership. The World Health Organization’s [State of World’s Nursing](#) 2020 report call the

“Strengthen Nurse Leadership” emphasis and focus of countries needs to be on having nurses at policy leadership positions. You can watch Dr. Shamian's video [here](#).



Dr. Judith Shamian (second row, fifth from left), meeting with the World Bank, The East, Central and Southern Africa College of Nursing (ECSACON), Jhpiego, International Council for Nurses and nurse leaders in Africa related to the work on Nursing Labour Market Analysis in 15 countries.

Observing International Nurses' Day

International Nurses' Day 2020, which was observed Tuesday, May 12, had the "**Nurses: A Voice to Lead – Nursing the World to Health.**" International Nurses' Day is celebrated on Florence Nightingale's birthday.

Dean Carol Musil, PhD, RN, FAAN, FGSA, a double FPB alumna (MSN '79, PhD '91), reflected on celebrating International Nurses' Day while graduating a new class of nurses in the midst of a global public health crisis.



“We explore her impact on modern nurses and how nurses have risen to the occasion during this pandemic,” she wrote about the video she helped create for the Year of the Nurse 2020 in Northeast Ohio, a group comprised of nursing organizations to celebrate the Year of the Nurse and Midwife.

You can read Dean Musil's full message and watch the video on the [school's website](#).



Joyce J. Fitzpatrick, PhD, MBA, RN, FAAN, promotes nursing leadership every day. Dr. Fitzpatrick celebrated Florence Nightingale's 200th birthday doing what she loves best teaching leadership to current Doctoral of Nursing Practice (DNP) students on Tuesday, May 12. Dr. Fitzpatrick invited a special guest speaker, Edward Halloran, PhD, RN, FAAN, to speak to her students about his research on Florence Nightingale and her esteemed nursing career.

Dr. Fitzpatrick was the recipient of the 2019 [International Achievement Award](#) offered biennially by the International Council of Nurses (ICN) and the Florence Nightingale International Foundation (FNIF) in acknowledgement of her international contribution advancing nursing education.

Pamela F. Cipriano, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, FAAN, Past President of the American Nurses Association (ANA), nominated Dr. Fitzpatrick for the award, stating "Dr. Fitzpatrick is a leader known for inspiring others to advance their education and career development through focused effective mentoring...as a leader she who builds programs with an eye toward the future through science that informs education models, while at the same time supporting the development of practice models and growth of the profession."

"I am indebted to my nurse colleagues throughout the world who have taught me about the human experience and the important work that nurses do to make the world better for those in our care," Dr. Fitzpatrick said upon receiving the award.



Research Working Toward Gender Equality



girls. Read more about this work in her story for [The Conversation](#).

[Dr. Allison Webel's](#)

[research](#) reproductive choices among women living with Rheumatic Heart Disease in Uganda is one way the FPB faculty are helping to Sustainable Development Goal #5 Achieve gender equality and empower all women and

Alumna Working to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals



Marian Nowak, DNP('13), RN, MPH, MEd., FCN, CSN, FNAP, FAAN is the President of The International Catholic Committee of Nurses and Medico-Social Assistants (CICIAMS)/ Pan American, National Catholic Nurses Association. In her role, Dr. Nowak assists Nursing Presidents from South America, Central America and North America with nursing projects for their countries and addresses public health emergencies.

Dr. Nowak is an extraordinary example of what it means to be a nurse leader and shows how nurses play a pivotal role in working in multidisciplinary teams, as portrayed in Chapter 3 of the World Health Organization's 2020 nursing report.

In addition, Dr. Nowak serves as a United Nations (UN) Nurse delegate.

“Our team of nurses’ research topics and develop a statement to address the 193 UN voting member nations. We alternate which nurse will deliver the statement. I delivered a statement in 2017 and will deliver one in 2020.

We are among a handful of nurses able to address important issues surrounding the UN SDG's."



Student Spotlight: A sense of health & well-being

Nurses play a pivotal role in multidisciplinary teams:

- Universal Health Coverage
- Health & well-being
- Emergencies, epidemics, and disasters

Megan L. Alder, BSN, RN, PhD Candidate



Megan works as a Pediatric Registered Nurse at Bellefaire Jewish Children's Bureau/Monarch Center for Autism in Shaker Heights, Ohio. "I think it is important to remember that children with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and their families are facing extraordinary challenges during this time. Rapid adjustments to routines during the pandemic are even more difficult for children with ASD. As a nursing advocate for children with ASD, we need to

provide extra support and resources to children with ASD and their families during the COVID-19 pandemic."

Adler, pictured, presented a virtual poster at the Annual Midwest Nursing Research Society Conference during the global COVID-19 pandemic on April 3, 2020.



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