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Post Master's Family Nurse Practitioner Certificate

Troy University

2014-present

Doctorate of Nursing Practice

Nursing Education Certificate

University of South Alabama

2010

Clinical Nurse Specialist-Adult Health

Nursing Education

University of South Alabama

2006

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

Florida State University

2000

Associate of Science in Nursing

Chipola Jr. College

1998

**Publications or  
Presentations**

- Leigh, K.H. & Short, C. (2014). Promoting Skin Cancer Awareness: Community Campaigns. Article accepted for publication to Journal of the Dermatology Nurses' Association.
- Leigh, K.H., Whitted, K., Hamilton, B.K. & Vardaman, S. (2014). Integration of Andragogy into a Decisional Matrix for Preceptorship. Article accepted for publication in Journal of Adult Education.

- Forehand, W.J., Leigh, K.H., & Spurlock, A. (2014). Examining the Phenomenon of Workplace Violence in Healthcare. Fourth International Conference on Violence in the Health Sector. Miami, FL
- Forehand, W.J., Farrell, R.G., Whitted, K., & Leigh, K.H. (2014). Emerging Technologies: Either You're Ahead of the Curve or Behind It! Poster presentation at the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Emerging Technologies for Online Learning International Symposium, Dallas, TX
- Leigh, K.H. & Sampson, A. (2010). Using an interdisciplinary approach to facilitate learning. Podium presentation at the HPSN10, Medical Education Technologies Inc. (METI) Conference, Tampa, FL
- Short, C.N. & Leigh, K.H. (2015). Genital Human Papillomavirus: What Providers Need to Know! Annual Dermatology Nurses Association Convention, Accepted for Podium Presentation, Las Vegas, NV
- Bladsacker, N., Spurlock, A., & Leigh, K.H. (2014). The Living Well Approach to TIIDM. Poster presentation at the Doctorate of Nursing Practice (DNP) National Conference, Accepted for October 2014, Nashville, TN
- Short, C.N. & Leigh, K.H. (2014). Don't Be Unwise.....Be SunWise? An Educational Program that Radiates Good Sense. Poster presentation at the American Association of Nurse Practitioners (AANP) 2014 National Conference, Accepted for June 2014, Nashville, TN
- Leigh, K.H. & Short, C.N. (2014). Healthy Tanning: A Misnomer. Poster presentation at the 2014 Dermatology Nurses Association Annual Convention, Accepted for May 2014, Orlando, FL
- Leigh, K.H. & Short, C.N. (2014). Promoting Skin Cancer Awareness: Community Campaigns. Poster presentation at the 2014 Dermatology Nurses Association Annual Convention, Accepted for May 2014, Orlando, FL
- Short, C.N. & Leigh, K.H. (2014). Shining Light on Skin Cancer: Education prevention in the Classroom. Poster presentation at the 2014 Dermatology Nurses Association Annual Convention, Accepted for May 2014, Orlando, FL

- Leigh, K.H. & Short, C.N. (2014). Implementing Evidence into Practice: A Guide to Early Skin Cancer Detection. Poster presentation at the Nursing 2014 Symposium, March 2014, Las Vegas, NV
- Short, C.N. & Leigh, K.H. (2014). Behavioral Counseling to Prevent Skin Cancer: Implementation of Evidence-Based Guidelines. Poster presentation at the Nursing 2014 Symposium, March 2014, Las Vegas, NV
- Gentle, M. & Leigh, K.H. (2014). Managing Osteoarthritis: An Evidenced-Based Multi-Modal Approach. Poster presentation at the Nursing 2014 Symposium, March 2014, Las Vegas, NV
- Leigh, K.H. & Whitted, K. (2013). Individualizing Clinical Preceptorship Experiences through the Use of a Decisional Matrix: A Tool for Self-Directedness. Poster presentation at the American Association College of Nurses (AACN) Baccalaureate Education Conference, November 2013, New Orleans, LA
- Whitted, K. & Leigh, K.H. (2013). Developing an Innovative Pathway for RN-BSN Students: A Study Abroad Preceptorship Experience. Podium Presentation at the American Association College of Nurses (AACN) Baccalaureate Education Conference, November 2013, New Orleans, LA
- Short, C.N., Leigh, K.H., & Forehand, W. (2013). Synergistic Simulation: The Sum is Greater than the Individual Parts. Poster presentation at the 8<sup>th</sup> NLN/Elsevier Technology Conference. October 2013, Philadelphia, PA
- Leigh, K.H. (2013). Implementing Sun Safety Policies and Education Programs in Primary Schools. Poster presentation at the 6<sup>th</sup> National Doctor of Nursing Practice Conference, September 2013, Phoenix, AZ
- Short, C.N., Leigh, K.H., & Forehand, J.W. (2013). The Evolution of the Novice Student Nurse. Podium presentation at the Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) National Forum, May 2013, Atlanta, GA
- Forehand, J.W., Leigh, K.H., & Short, C.N. (2013). Creating Community Healthcare Partnerships in Order to Impact the Student Learning Experience. Poster presentation at the Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) National Forum, May 2013, Atlanta, GA

- Leigh, K.H., Forehand, J.W., & Short, C.N., (2013). Revolutionizing the Group Project Experience through the Use of QSEN Competencies. Poster presentation at the Quality and Safety Education for Nurses (QSEN) National Forum, May 2013, Atlanta, GA
- Leigh, K.H. & Forehand, J.W. (2012). Transforming the New Nursing Paradigm of Nursing Education for RN-BSN Students. Poster presentation at the National League for Nurses (NLN) 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Technology Conference, October 2012, Spokane, WA
- Leigh, K.H., Maxwell, C.A., Whitted, K., Wise, L., & Hamilton, B.K. (2011). Decisional Matrix for Transforming Preceptorship Experience (DMPE). Poster presentation at the American Association College of Nurses (AACN) Baccalaureate Education Conference, Phoenix. AZ
- Morenus, L.A. & Leigh, K.H. (2014). Nurse Practitioner's Impact in Acute Care Settings and Management of Critical Care Patients. Poster presentation at the Alabama State Emergency Nurses Association, Birmingham, AL
- Baxter, S. & Leigh, K.H. (2014). Effective Health Promotion Strategies for African American Women at Increased Risk for Chronic Disease. Poster presentation at the Troy Nursing Scholarship Event, Montgomery, Alabama
- Tice, W. & Leigh, K.H. (2013). Implementation of Therapeutic Hypothermia in Clinical Practice. Poster presentation at the Sigma Theta Tau International Research Day, Iota Theta Tau Chapter, Troy, Alabama
- Martinez, M., Forehand, J.W., & Leigh, K.H. (2013). Extreme course makeover. Online presentation at the eColloquium 2013, Troy, AL
- Vrooman, L. & Leigh, K.H. (2013). Web-Based Self-Care Tools: A Snapshot of Options & Survey of Utilization. Poster presentation at the United Advanced Practice Registered Nurses of Georgia 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Educational Conference, Columbus, GA
- Leigh, K.H. (2010). Implementing Sun Safety Policies in Primary Schools. Podium presentation at the Sigma Theta Tau International Scholar's Day, Mobile, AL

## Grants and Projects

- Chancellor Initiative Funding Troy University International Nursing Conference with UNIBE, Costa Rica, October 2012, \$1600
- Chancellor Initiative Funding, Troy University Study Abroad, London, May 2012, \$2291
- Troy University Faculty Development Grant, Summer 2012, \$2000
- Florida Succeed Grant, Grant Participant, 2007, \$263,000

## Honors, Awards, Boards, Certifications, and Professional Organizations

- Journal of the Dermatology Nurses' Association Editorial Board, May 2014-present
- Dermatology Nurses Association Education Advisory Committee, Committee Member, May 2014-present
- Dermatology Nurses Association Health Policy and Advocacy Committee, Committee Member, May 2014-present
- American Association for Colleges of Nurses (AACN) Instructional Leadership Network Steering Committee, Co-Chair Conference Planning Committee, 2014-present
- Alabama Health Action Coalition, Capstone College of Nursing "80 X 20" Taskforce, 2012-present
- The Honor Society of The Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International, Iota Theta Tau Chapter 2010-present, Governance Chair 2011-present

## Research Interests or Projects

- Troy University Institutional Review Board, Use of Decisional Matrix for Preceptorship Experience (DMPE)

with RN to BSN students (Protocol #2011)

- Skin Cancer Prevention

**Clinical Focus**

Adult Health

Skin Cancer Prevention