

Leading Globally
Presidential Call to Action
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Members and chapters: Let's Make it Real!

Successfully implementing *Leading Globally* will take all of us!

Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International members are known for visionary, innovative and progressive thinking. As the organization continues to grow, we are dedicated to: using knowledge, leadership and service to improve the health of the world's people and meeting the needs of all nurse leader generations.

We realize success by continuing to lead for the future and being proactive about change during this biennium.

Leading Globally, the presidential call to action for the new biennium, builds upon the 2005 Strategic Directions and Vision 2020, a new strategic planning initiative adopted by the honor society. These documents represent the best thinking of this organization. They embrace the honor society's position as a global thought leader in nursing knowledge, leadership, practice and service in the 21st century.

Leading Globally includes four key themes:

- Creating and sharing knowledge resources
- Being "intentionally global"
- Developing career-spanning leadership skills
- Providing service

I hope you will find the member and chapter suggestions in this brochure helpful in implementing *Leading Globally*.

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Creating and Sharing Knowledge Resources

Members

- Join an existing honor society *Community of Interest* or form a new one.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/communities
- Become a peer reviewer for honor society research, abstracts, proposals, *Journal of Nursing Scholarship* or *Worldviews on Evidence-Based Nursing* articles.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/VolunteerConnect
- Write an online continuing nursing education module or serve as a beta tester.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/VolunteerConnect
- Apply for a Sigma Theta Tau International Research grant or scholarship.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/Research/SmallGrants/
- Present your clinical innovation, research or knowledge work in a global forum or conference.
 - www2.nursingsociety.org/congress08/abstracts.html
- Complete a mentorship program for writing research grants and give professional presentations.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/LeadershipInstitute
- Submit a research abstract you have completed to the Registry of Nursing Research Database.
 - www.nursinglibrary.org
- Submit an article for publication in an honor society journal: *Journal of Nursing Scholarship*, *Reflections on Nursing Leadership*, *Worldviews on Evidence-Based Nursing* or another peer-reviewed journal.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/Publications
 - www.nursingsociety.org/VolunteerConnect

Chapters

- Visit the honor society's Web site for additional resources to support the activities listed below.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/CHAPTERS
- Jointly fund scholarships and grants with local professional societies.
- Contribute educational faculty/student exchanges and knowledge experts to the honor society's International Academic Nursing Alliance.
 - www.nursingalliance.org
- Support nursing research by making a gift to the foundation.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/Foundation
- Plan and offer an annual or biennial program with other chapters or hospitals that focuses on nursing research, best practices or clinical innovations.
- Establish e-forums or a journal club for members to share their personal stories of how they used knowledge resources to improve their nursing practice.
- Identify Evidence-Based Nursing (EBN) resources available to members through the honor society or other organizations.
 - www.nursingknowledge.org
- Give a chapter award for excellence in evidence-based practice.

Being Intentionally Global

Members

- Identify four global health issues that influence your practice and educate yourself and your colleagues about them.
 - www.icn.ch/global
 - www.globalissues.org/health/disease/
 - www.unmillenniumproject.org
- Learn about cultural differences between two regions of the world, particularly those cultures you may encounter in your professional life.
- Seek travel opportunities that enrich your understanding of nursing and health care issues in other countries.
 - www.ptpi.org/
 - www.ambassadorprograms.org/upcomingprograms/medical/medical.aspx
 - www.nursingsociety.org/Membership/Benefits/Pages/georgia_trip.aspx
- Complete the training to become an honor society Ambassador and participate in a grass roots effort to educate nurses globally about the honor society and nursing.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/aboutus/GlobalInitiatives/Pages/ambassador.aspx
- Undertake research that addresses the global health priorities identified by the honor society in the 2005-2007 biennium.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/aboutus/GlobalInitiatives
- Volunteer to translate honor society knowledge resources from English into another language.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/VolunteerConnect

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- Visit the honor society's Web site for additional resources to support the activities listed below.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/CHAPTERS
- Induct members from other countries where chapters do not currently exist. Review membership eligibility.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/Membership/ApplyNow
- Find out what countries have chapters.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/Chapters/Directory
- Learn about what other global organizations are doing.
 - Kiwanis International, www.kiwanis.org/
 - Rotary International, www.rotary.org
 - American Society of Association Executives, www.asaecenter.org
- Mentor developing honor societies in other countries.

- Offer educational programs that focus on international nursing and health care issues.
- Initiate dialogue with nurse leaders outside your home country about global nursing and health care issues.
- Feature global accomplishments of your chapter and its members in the newsletter, on the Web page or in e-communication.
- Heighten the global awareness of members by initiating an electronic round-table discussion with a panel of culturally diverse nurses and consumers.

Developing Career-spanning Leadership Skills

Members

- Create a personal leadership development plan.
 - www.nursingknowledge.org
 - www.leadershipchallenge.com
 - www.gallup.com/content/?ci=115
 - www.decisioncritical.com/products_portfolio.asp
- Make a commitment to find or be a mentor.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/LeadershipInstitute
- Complete the training to become an honor society Career Advisor.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/VolunteerConnect
- Enroll in one of the honor society's leadership development programs.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/LeadershipInstitute
- Keep abreast of position statements and resource papers available from professional nursing associations about contemporary nursing issues.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/aboutus/PositionPapers
- Serve on local and regional health care and community boards.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/LeadershipInstitute/Omada/Pages/omada_main.aspx
- Attend the 25-27 September 2008 Leadership Academy in Indianapolis, IN.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/LeadershipInstitute/CLA

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- Visit the honor society's Web site for additional resources to support the activities listed below.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/CHAPTERS
- Create a five-10 year leadership succession plan for chapter officers.
- Feature local nurse leader success stories in chapter newsletters.
- Offer educational programs that provide chapter members the skills to successfully and confidently interact with the media.
- Sponsor students and new members to attend the annual International Nursing Research Congress, the Leadership Academy, the Geriatric Nursing Leadership Academy and the biennial convention.
- Create a formal mentoring program for all new inductees and chapter officers.

- Pair retired chapter members with nursing students and novice nurses to encourage new mentoring and networking opportunities.
- Ensure that the chapter ballot includes young and new chapter members.

Providing Service

Members

- Visit the honor society's Web site for additional information about member benefits, services and resources.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/Membership
- Actively engage in chapter life at the local, regional or international level by signing up on the honor society Volunteer Interest Profile.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/VolunteerConnect
- Assist with chapter events such as memory walks, induction, programs and fund-raising activities.
- Become an Archival Resource Consultant to help members and chapters in your region develop, manage and utilize archival chapter collections.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/VolunteerConnect
- Serve as a judge for the honor society's regional or international awards programs.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/VolunteerConnect
- Volunteer or contribute to your favorite cause.
 - www.charityguide.org
- Explore and engage in a cross cultural practice, faculty or student exchange.
 - www.crossculturalsolutions.org
 - www.peacecorps.gov
 - www.hopeworldwide.org
 - www.doctorswithoutborders.org
 - www.globalservicecorps.org

Providing Service (continued)

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- Visit the honor society's Web site for additional resources to support the activities listed below.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/CHAPTERS
- Adopt a local nursing home or home for the elderly for a special holiday.
- Complete disaster preparedness training with the International Red Cross or similar organization and volunteer for a response team.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/education
- Sponsor health fairs or help at immunization clinics at local malls, parks or community centers.
- Join the 2007-2008 honor society Member-get-a-Member Campaign.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/Membership/Campaigns
- Collaborate with other local health care organizations during National Nurses' Week to recognize the outstanding achievements and contributions made by nurses.
- Submit nominations for the chapter awards, which recognize outstanding service contributions of members.
 - www.nursingsociety.org/Awards
- Host an honor society foundation cultivation event to encourage philanthropy among chapter members and to contribute to the Edith Anderson Member Subsidy Fund or the Foundation Leadership Fund.

