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## INACSL Announces 2020 Award Recipients

**Raleigh, N.C. – July 28, 2020** – [The International Nursing Association for Clinical Simulation and Learning](#) (INACSL) is an organization that promotes the art and science of healthcare simulation through discovery, diversity and collaboration. Each year, it hosts an annual conference where nursing simulation experts gather to learn about cutting-edge research, discuss best practices and connect with peers from around the globe. This year, more than 20 simulationists were singled out at the awards ceremony on June 26, 2020 for their contributions to the field.

“INACSL members work tirelessly using simulation to promote safe, effective clinical practice,” said INACSL President, Janet Willhaus, PhD, RN, “It is our privilege to recognize them for their work especially during this trying time.”

2020 INACSL Award Recipients:

### President’s Award

**Leslie Graham, RN, MN, PhD, CNCC, CHSE, CCSNE**

Ontario Tech University

For her work and dedication to the INACSL Simulation Education Program (ISEP).

### Hayden Vanguard Lectureship

**Global Network for Simulation in Health (GNSH) 2020**

For their contribution to the discipline and forward movement of simulation in a meaningful way through research and program innovation.

### Frontline Simulation Champion Award

**Patricia Prieto, MBA, BSN, RN, CHSE**

Villanova University Fitzpatrick College of Nursing

For her demonstration to commitment, innovation, creativity and high standards and exceptional contributions to the simulation field. She remains positive, resilient, enthusiastic, and committed to excellence.

### **Spirit of Simulation Leadership Award**

**Beth Latimer, DNP, GNP-BC, CHSE**

NYU Meyers College of Nursing

For her impact in her work to advance INACSL's mission, vision, and values. Latimer inspires, creates and leads a vision for local, regional, national and international environments through her publications and presentations.

ISEP Oversight Committee

**Leslie Graham, RN, MN, CNCC, CHSE; Teresa Gore, PhD, DNP, FNP-BC, NP-C, CHSE-A, FAAN; Bette Mariani, PhD, RN, ANEF & Jane Tyerman, RN, MScN, PhD, CCSNE**

For their leadership, expertise, and impact through their work overseeing the development of the INACSL Simulation Education Program (ISEP).

### **Research Excellence Award**

**Dr. Jean-Christophe Servotte, PhD, MSc, CCRN, RN**

Center for Medical Simulation of the University of Liège, Belgium

For his contribution to the knowledge of the effectiveness of virtual reality simulation through his research as evidenced by his creation of a virtual reality immersive experience and the testing of this experience on healthcare students. Additionally, Jean-Christophe Servotte's expertise is sought by policy makers during the pandemic.

### **Service Excellence Award**

**Raleigh Hotels and Convention Center**

The hotels and convention center agreed to make financial sacrifices to honor the safety and well-being of INACSL members. They allowed INACSL to postpone the on-site conference in Raleigh to 2024 with minimal financial repercussions due to the overwhelming issue of COVID-19.

### **Excellence in Academia Award**

**Margaret Verkuyl, NP:PHC MN**

Centennial College

For the outstanding evidence of publication, dissemination, teaching, and innovative contributions to simulation education. Margaret Verkuyl has extensive experience with the development of simulation and the dissemination of all that she has learned and developed, and there is overwhelming evidence of the achievement of positive outcomes through the use of simulation within and academic setting.

### **Debra Spunt Grant Awardees**

**Denise Campbell DNP, APRN, ACNS-BC, CEN. CHSE**

University of Michigan - Flint

Medication Administration: Obtaining Mastery Using Virtual Simulation

**Laura Skoronski Chavez, PhD, RN**

Wilkes University

From NCLEX to Patient Care: Vital Assessment Links

**Ginger Schroers, MS, RNC-MNN, CNE**

Loyola University

Realistic Interruptions during Simulated Medication Administration: An Examination of Errors and Interruption Management Strategies

**Anthony Battaglia Conference Scholarship Recipients**

**Wendy Buchanan; Brooke Metiva; Sandra Peterson; Jenny Heins; Maria D'Errico; Stacia Donaldson; Kay Gregorio; Jenny McCormick & Angela Turner**

The INACSL Virtual Conference, 2020 encompasses over 30 hours of on demand content from simulation experts. This content is available until August 31, 2020. Attendees can engage in real time during weekly activities such as Question and Answer Sessions with speakers or exhibitors and Watch Parties. Learn more and register on the [INACSL Virtual Conference, 2020 Website](#).

**About the International Nursing Association for Clinical Simulation & Learning (INACSL)**

The International Nursing Association for Clinical Simulation and Learning (INACSL) is committed to being the global leader in the art and science of healthcare simulation through excellence in nursing education, practice, and research. As part of our vision, *Simulation and Innovation Transform Lives*, we equip members with the latest research and educational strategies to further impact learning outcomes and enhance patient health across the continuum of care. We also provide [the INACSL Standards of Best Practice: Simulation®](#), an evidence-based framework to guide simulation design, implementation, debriefing, evaluation and research. Our membership includes over 1,900 members from 26 countries. Learn more at [www.inacsl.org](http://www.inacsl.org), and follow us on [LinkedIn](#), [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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