

The Exceptional Nurse Newsletter

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Dear Exceptional Nurses and supporters,

Update on Funding for Hurricane Katrina victims

ExceptionalNurse.com has awarded the grant money received from the Disabilities Funders Network. Fifteen nurses with disabilities in Mississippi and Louisiana received funds for housing, relocation and other expenses.

Need Continuing Education?

"Teaching Nursing Students with Disabilities" by Donna Maheady, ARNP, Ed.D.

"Writing Your Way to Health and Healing: An interactive workshop for nurses with disabilities" by Connie Adleman, RN; *"When your student is Deaf"* by Martha McElyea, MSN, Rockhurst/Research College of Nursing

Visit the Continuing Education page for details.

New Book!!

"Leave No Nurse Behind: Nurses Working with disabilities" by Donna Maheady is now available. Eleven nurses who defied disability tell their personal stories of courage and determination to continue to practice. The nurses have a wide range of disabilities including MS, arthritis, HIV, spina bifida, mental illness, vision loss, d/Deaf, back injuries, tremors, dystonia, and limb loss.

Visit http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/0595396496/ref=pd_rvi_gw_1/002-7446392-8344005?%5Fencoding=UTF8&v=glance&n=283155 to read a description of the book.

Employment opportunity

TeleCare Team Triage RNs- Ft Lauderdale, Florida Vitas Innovative Hospice Care seeks Triage RNs-- the pivotal person responsible for identifying the physical, psychological, and spiritual needs of patients/families after business hours. Provides assessments, interventions and serves as patient/family advocate with physicians, long term care staff, and HOM case managers. Documents interactions and supervises triage support staff. Must sit for lengthy periods and possess customer service and phone skills. Minimum of two years experience in acute-care, med-surg, oncology, or ER. Bi-lingual a plus. Shifts: 4pm-12am and 12am-8am 7 days a week. 8am-4pm on weekends. Part/full time. Competitive salary, health/dental/vision/, 401K, mileage, and tuition reimbursement. Send resume to karolyn.holmes@vitas.com or call 954-777-1322.

Scholarship Awards

ExceptionalNurse.com scholarships were awarded to the following nursing students with disabilities:

Michelle Worman of Hurst, Texas is a student at Excelsior College.

Carmen Gaucher of Elizabeth City, NC is a student at the University of Phoenix.

Sara Wolff of Delaware, OH is a student at Otterbein College.

Angela Gracco of Egg Harbor Township, NJ is a student at Atlantic Cape Community College.

Megan Roe of Alexandria, VA is a student at Marymount University.

Congratulations to all!

Publication of Note

"Nursing a Disability"

By Nancy Fagan, RN

This article includes a look at employment options for nurses who are disabled and the responsibilities of their employers.

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Volunteer/ Donation opportunities

<http://www.redcross.org>, <http://www.missingkids.com>, <http://www.nod.org>
http://www.uniteforsight.org/intl_volunteer, www.invisiblechildren.com, www.savedarfur.org

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Live generously,

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