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Clark receives writing award from *Nurse Educator* journal

The Kathleen T. Heinrich Dare to Share Writing Award recognizes excellence in writing and honors the memory of a beloved educator.

Leawood, KS (April 20, 2020) — Cynthia Clark, PhD, RN, ANEF, FAAN, Strategic Nursing Advisor for ATI, has been named recipient of the Kathleen T. Heinrich Dare to Share Writing Award from *Nurse Educator* journal.

The annual award recognizes nurse authors who published articles in *Nurse Educator* in the previous year. More specifically, the award reflects excellence in writing that aligns with the values, beliefs, and philosophy of Kathleen Heinrich, RN, PhD, FAAN. ([Read more about Dr. Heinrich in this editorial in *Nurse Educator*.](#))

Dr. Clark received the award in recognition of her article "[Combining cognitive rehearsal, simulation, and evidence-based scripting to address incivility](#)," which appeared in March/April 2019, Volume 44, Issue 2. It is available via open access to all readers.

Dr. Heinrich was a nationally recognized scholar and owner of KTH Consulting. She was considered a highly influential educator, and her early death in 2016 left many committed to continuing her legacy. Specifically, her sister, Carleen Heinrich, cofounded and sponsors the award.

Carleen Heinrich congratulated Dr. Clark upon learning that she had received the award: "It couldn't be more appropriate with your being Kathy's cosmic sister, fellow pioneer in fostering civility in the nursing profession, and the author of such a relevant publication mirroring Kathy's philosophy. Kathy would be so proud to see her legacy continue through your prolific work and everlasting friendship for she loved you dearly. Thank you for honoring Kathy's passion and cause."

The award is partly named after a book Dr. Heinrich wrote, *Dare to share*, in which she noted that, "as nurses, we are primarily educated in the delivery of nursing practice and far less informed and mentored in the academic enterprise of presenting and publishing scholarly works."

Marilyn H. Oermann, PhD, RN, ANEF, FAAN, Editor-in-Chief of *Nurse Educator*, described Dr. Heinrich as “passionate about creating a positive work environment and culture of collegiality in nursing programs where faculty could flourish, were comfortable to share and debate ideas, and collaborated on their scholarship.”

A second Dare to Share Writing Award recognized Ashley Roach, MS, RN, CNL, and Sherrill Hooke, Med, RN, CGRN, CCCTM, for their article, “[An academic-practice partnership: Fostering collaboration and improving care across settings.](#)”

Dr. Clark said, “I am deeply grateful to the board and the selection committee for the hard work and consideration that went into the award-selection process. Kathy was a treasured friend, colleague, and peer-mentor. I miss her dearly, and I’m beyond honored to receive this award in her honor. I’m equally grateful to Kathy’s sister Carleen and *Nurse Educator* for helping us keep her memory alive.”

Each of the honorees will receive a crystal award and be recognized in a ceremony at the 2020 NLN (National League for Nursing) Education Summit, Sept. 23-25, in Orlando.

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