



FELLOWS

OF THE AANA

Induction Ceremony

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Welcome

Dear 2023 Distinguished Inductees to the Fellows of the AANA:

It is with great pride and reverence that I am honored to welcome each of you to this third annual induction to our profession's own Fellows group. CRNAs from all walks of our great profession are represented within this honor society, begun in 2021 as a joint recognition between AANA and AANA Foundation.

A committee of nine distinguished honorees themselves selected each of you for this supreme honor because of the transformative contributions you have made to the profession. Through your unique skills and ongoing personal efforts, you have made a difference to our sterling future and our place within an ever-changing healthcare arena. You help us promote excellence and maintain our presence in the brilliant future that past AANA president Juan Quintana predicted. Educators, clinicians, philanthropists, administrators, social activists, and business experts are all represented in the Fellows ranks.

Joshua J. Marine, magician, lecturer and author, is said to have written the following: "Challenges are what make life interesting, and overcoming them is what makes life meaningful." Your contributions have not only enriched your life, but also those of our profession's members. Please know today we salute your success!

Most Sincerely,



Wilma Gillis, CRNA, APNP, FAANA
FY2023 Fellows Selection Committee chair



What it means to be a Fellow

Earning the designation of Fellow of the AANA (FAANA) is a major career achievement for CRNAs as practitioners, educators, researchers, and advocates for the profession.

The FAANA designation is more than a recognition of one's past accomplishments. It indicates a dedicated commitment to the growth and advancement of the profession of nurse anesthesia. Fellows are leading the way for the future of nurse anesthesia with a responsibility to contribute to the AANA, their state association, and to engage with other healthcare leaders to advance and transform the profession and the healthcare environment through:

- Leadership service
- Enhancing the safety of anesthesia delivery and pain care for patients
- Advancements in research, education, and clinical care
- Introduction of innovative solutions
- Promoting advocacy at the state and national levels to drive healthcare policy
- Reducing health disparities and inequalities
- Promoting professional excellence
- Strengthening the nurse anesthesia delivery system nationally and internationally

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR FY2023 FELLOWS SELECTION COMMITTEE

Your ongoing commitment and dedication, combined with a depth of experience and expertise, have been invaluable in the creation of the 2023 class of Fellows of the AANA.

Wilma Gillis, BSN, CRNA, APNP, FAANA (chair)

Debra Barber, DNP, CRNA, APRN, FAANA

Michael Fallacaro, DNS, CRNA, FAAN, FAANA

Derrick Cephano Glymph, DNAP, PhD, CRNA, APRN, COL., USAR, FAAN, FAANA

Larry Hornsby, BS, BSN, CRNA, FAANA

Janice Izlar, DNAP, CRNA, FAANA

Keith Macksoud, MA, CRNA, APRN, USAR (ret), FAANA

Jerrol Wallace, DNP, MSN, CRNA, APRN, USN, FAANA

Bryan Wilbanks, DNP, PhD, CRNA, FAANA

AANA STAFF

Lorraine Jordan, PhD, CRNA, CAE, FAAN, Chief Science and Practice Officer; AANA Foundation CEO

Gina Pantone, MPH, Education Specialist

BY THE NUMBERS

59,960

AANA members as of June 1, 2023

58

Fellows selected for the 2023 class

54%

of states are represented by applicants

1,472

combined years of CRNA experience by applicants



This year, Annual Congress is in Seattle, where CRNAs and students will be one team sharing one dream: To deliver expert anesthesia care to the patients who need us.

Meet the 2023 Class

Fellows of the AANA is a group of highly accomplished leaders with diverse achievements and impactful contributions. They are CRNAs who have promoted and advanced the profession of nurse anesthesia and AANA through voluntary leadership, advanced skills and training, education, research, advocacy, and innovation. These esteemed Fellows are visionaries shaping the future of nurse anesthesia.



BIMPE ADENUSI, PhD, APRN, CRNA, CNE

Program Director | Cedar Crest College

As a transformative, inclusive, and visionary leader, Bimpe Adenusi's deep commitment to service, dedication to expanding healthcare access, and ability to create and sustain productive collaborative partnerships by inspiring others to reach their highest potential distinguish her enduring and impactful contributions to advancing nurse anesthesia education and equitable healthcare access for all.



PAUL N. AUSTIN, PhD, CRNA

Professor, Nurse Anesthesia | Wesleyan University

Paul Austin is an accomplished clinician, educator, researcher, scientific reviewer, and author. He has served our profession in many leadership positions, including as chair of the AANA Practice Committee and as a chair onsite reviewer, treasurer, vice president, and president of the COA. He led the Air Force nurse anesthesia community as Chief Consultant to the U.S. Air Force Surgeon General.



HEATHER L. BAIR, DNP, CRNA, CHSE

Associate Clinical Professor and Associate Director | DNP Program in Nurse Anesthesia, University of Iowa

An expert leader in simulation education, Heather Bair leads simulation workshops from the local to international level, teaching critical debriefing and team crisis resource management skills. With over a decade of service in academia and in the NBCRNA, she has been instrumental in ensuring that CRNAs are highly qualified and certified to provide remarkable and safe anesthesia care.



MICHELE M. BALLISTER, DNP, CRNA, APRN, CHSE

Staff CRNA, Patriot Anesthesia Services LLC | Adjunct associate professor, College of Health Professions, Medical University of South Carolina

Michelle Ballister's 15-year career demonstrates a strong commitment to excellence in clinical practice, teaching, service, scholarship, and leadership. Her doctoral work in simulation provided a foundation for use in anesthesia education. Serving four consecutive terms on the AANA Education Committee, she initiated the Simulation Subcommittee of the Education Committee, which provided collaboration with faculty peers from 120+ nurse anesthesia programs.



ELIZABETH BLU BAMGBOSE, PhD, CRNA

Program Director | University of Southern California

Elizabeth Bamgbose has more than 15 years of experience as a nurse anesthesiologist. She is a co-director at the University of Southern California Doctoral Program of Nurse Anesthesia and CEO of an independent anesthesia group. With a passion for advancing the profession through advocacy, Dr. Bamgbose is proud to serve at both state and national levels on influential boards and committees.



JASON RICHARD BAUER, MSN, RN, CRNA, PHRN

CRNA Level 4 Senior | University of Pittsburgh Medical Center Department of Anesthesiology and Perioperative Medicine

A motivating leader with over 19 years of clinical experience, Jason Bauer has practiced in large academic and office-based settings. He has dedicated 14 years to Pennsylvania Association of Nurse Anesthetists, with one term as past president and national committees including AANA GRC chair. He promotes student advocacy at the University of Pittsburgh serving as Adjunct Faculty since 2007.



PAULA BELSON, PhD, CRNA

CRNA Manager; Clinical Instructor of Anesthesiology | Children's Hospital Los Angeles; Keck School of Medicine, University of Southern California

An educator, clinician, and administrator, Paula Belson is a leader and advocate in advancing the profession within the specialty of pediatric anesthesia. She actively serves the profession at both the state and national levels and has multiple publications, presentations, and book chapters. An active researcher, her focus is health outcomes in pediatric oncology patients.

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DAWN ELIZABETH BENT, DNP, MSN, CRNA

*Program Director | University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing
Nurse Anesthesia Program*

As a nurse anesthetist who views education as a priority and an integral aspect of our profession, Dawn Bent developed the “Bent on Education” podcast to answer the needs of anesthesia students. This platform gives brief, succinct, yet pertinent anesthesia-related content with a focus on physiology and pharmacology that is vital to anesthesia practice.



SUSAN DECARLO-PICCIRILLO, DNP, CRNA, APRN

Board Member of Nurse Anesthesia of Maine | Nurse Anesthesia of Maine

For over 30 years, Susan DeCarlo-Piccirillo has served as a staunch educator in numerous educational roles and a mentor for young professionals. Though this has been her primary passion, she is also a strong businesswoman, helping to commence and build a flourishing nurse anesthesia staffing business. She also volunteers to serve on numerous state and national committees to promote legislative efforts, public relations, and education.



HOLLY CHANDLER, EdD, CRNA

Simulation Center Director/Associate Professor | Bryan College of Health Sciences

For two decades Holly Chandler has been a transformational leader, educator, clinician, and advocate impacting the profession. She has contributed extensively by conducting and disseminating research on incivility and bullying at a state, regional, and national level. She has actively advocated for nurse anesthesiology practice, resulting most recently in the trifold opposition of AAs in a Nebraska 407 credentialing review.



JOANNE DONNELLY, DNP, APRN, CRNA

*Program Director / Associate Chief CRNA | University of Minnesota/
Minneapolis VA Medical Center*

For over 25 years, Joanne Donnelly has served as a devoted educator, mentor, program director, executive leader, and state board member to advance nurse anesthesia practice initiatives. Her steadfast passion for patient safety has yielded the development of effective handoff communication tools, and innovative simulation curriculum aimed at enhancing the reliability and safety of anesthesia.



MARY JANE COLLINS, DHA, CRNA

*Assistant Professor, Assistant Nurse Anesthesia Program Director |
The University of Southern Mississippi*

Mary Jane Collins has served the profession in numerous capacities as an educator, clinician, and leader. An advocate of active learning, she is a Credentialed Educator, Distinguished Teaching Scholar, and Faculty Fellow of the Association of College and University Educators. At the state level, she serves as president of the Mississippi Association of Nurse Anesthetists.



LARRY W. FINLEY, DNAP, CRNA

Director of Anesthesiology | Newman Regional Health

For over 21 years, Larry Finley has held active leadership positions in Nebraska (NANA) and Kansas (KANA). His leadership within state associations, local hospitals, and community groups has resulted in coordinated stakeholder collaboration for the advancement of nurse anesthesiology. His goal is to identify and engage CRNAs to be servant leaders and advocate for the profession of nurse anesthesiology.



JEFFREY R. DARNA, PhD, DNP, CRNA, ACNP-BC

Program Administrator | University of Southern California, Keck School of Medicine

Jeffrey Darna serves the nurse anesthesia profession as a clinician, leader, educator, and research scientist. He helped design and lead California’s first nurse anesthesia doctoral curriculum. As president of the California Association of Nurse Anesthetists, Dr. Darna launched the campaign for full practice authority. He is passionate about CRNAs achieving practice equality and having value recognition in all healthcare settings.



RICHARD FLOWERS, DNP, CRNA, CHSE

*Assistant Professor/Nurse Anesthesia Program Director | Wake Forest University
School of Medicine. Dept of Academic Nursing Department*

Richard Flowers has had many professional accomplishments in his career, but none rival the privilege to serve as the program director of the Wake Forest University School of Medicine Nurse Anesthesia Program. Dr. Flowers takes great pride in the responsibility of helping shape the future of this great profession.

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ERIN M. FOLEY, DNAP, MSNA, CRNA

CRNA, Owner | Foley Anesthesia, PLLC

Erin Foley is an advocate, leader, mentor, educator, and clinician who works every day to protect and promote CRNA practice. She has served as MEANA state president, served on several AANA committees, and has served as the AANA Leadership Identification Committee chair in her endeavors to advance our profession. She also has a Basset Hound named Agatha “Aggie” Hodgins.



HOWARD GOODWIN, DNAP, MSN, CRNA, CHSE

Director of Technology & Simulation | Old Dominion University

Howard Goodwin has worked with VANA and AANA to grow and advance the profession of nurse anesthesiology. With VANA, Dr. Goodwin led the charge with legislative successes in obtaining CRNA prescription authority, insurance reimbursement, and blocked AA legislation. Serving as AANA LIC chair, he created a stronger leadership identification and electoral process through bylaw amendments and policy changes.



MIKE FRAME, DMPNA, MS, APRN, CRNA, CNECL

Staff CRNA & Clinical Instructor; Lecturer | CAMC Women & Children's Hospital; West Virginia University Nurse Anesthetist Program

Mike Frame served two terms as president of the West Virginia Association of Nurse Anesthetists. He began a career in education at the CAMC School of Nurse Anesthesia and later joined WVU, where he served as the assistant director for their Nurse Anesthetist Program. He currently provides clinical anesthesia at CAMC Women & Children's Hospital and continues serving WVU as a lecturer.



JENNIFER ELYSE GREENWOOD, PhD, CRNA

Associate Program Director, Nurse Anesthesia; associate dean for Research, CON | Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science

As the associate dean for Doctoral Research and the director of the Center for Interprofessional Evidence Based Practice at Rosalind Franklin University, Jennifer Greenwood leads a robust research agenda to collaborate with faculty and clinical partners on evidence synthesis and implementation of best practices. She is currently focused on expanding opportunities for education and training for nurse anesthetists in Colorado.



RODRIGO GARCIA, MBA, APN, MSN, CRNA (RET)

Chief Executive Officer | Parkdale Center for Professionals

Rodrigo Garcia is a respected clinical practitioner, published author, researcher, and thought leader in the area of substance use disorders (SUD) among impaired health care providers. He is a nationally recognized public speaker sharing his personal journey, insight, advocacy, and support of CRNAs and SRNAs struggling with mental health issues or SUD. He continues to work with AANA leadership to promote wellness and self-care within our organization.



JENNIFER HARPE-BATES, DNAP, APRN, CRNA

Assistant Professor | University of Louisville School of Nursing, Nurse Anesthesia Track

Jennifer Harpe-Bates' doctoral project “Implementing TAP blocks” led to CRNAs practicing to their full scope of practice, resulting in an increase in perioperative truncal blocks from a minimal number to more than 100 blocks per month. Her leadership and collaboration resulted in the development of opioid sparing techniques and a collaborative Acute Pain Management Service in her facility.



VICTORIA M. GOODE, PhD, CRNA

Associate Professor | Old Dominion University

Victoria Goode has been a faculty member and educator for more than 17 years. Dr. Goode's program of research is dedicated to Patient Safety and Quality Initiatives and has led to publications on the topics of patient safety, use of clinical data repositories to address quality, malpractice trends, and using the SEE exam as a predictor of success on the NCE.



MICHELLE HAYES DUELL, DNP, CRNA

University of Maryland Medical System Shock Trauma Center

Michelle Hayes Duell has been a leader in legislative and policy initiatives throughout her career. With the support of her colleagues and lobbyist, she forged the way to eliminate the previously required written collaboration agreement, secured CRNA practice into law, and defeated two attempts toward creation of anesthesiologist assistants legislation. Most recently, she was instrumental in establishing prescriptive authority for Maryland CRNAs.

2023 Class, continued



JEREMY S. HEINER, EdD, MSN, CRNA

Academic & Clinical Faculty | Kaiser Permanente School of Anesthesia

A passionate advocate for both student and CRNA education. Jeremy Heiner has created dozens of clinical anesthesia trigger films and hosts an anesthesia podcast intended to advance CRNA learning and practice. He continues to work on AANA, COA, NBCRNA, and state association committees. He is one of the primary authors/editors of the textbooks *Nurse Anesthesia*, *Critical Events in Anesthesia*, and *Current Anesthesia Practice*.



JOSEPH ANTHONY JOYCE, CRNA

Staff Nurse Anesthesiologist | Eagle Anesthesia/Eagle Physicians

Joseph Joyce always worked quietly to help increase the knowledge base of CRNAs. He is the sole author of *Perianesthesia Patient Care for Uncommon Diseases*. He was blessed to work with a great friend, and “anesthesia-Dad,” Richard Ouellette, CRNA, MEd., AANA former president, to compile the textbook *Pharmacology for Nurse Anesthesiology*, written entirely by CRNAs for CRNAs. He also was a 1996 AANA Fellowship for Scientific Writing recipient.



MARIA T. HIRSCH, DNP, MS, CRNA

Director, Anesthesia Services | Carilion Clinic, Roanoke, VA

An experienced clinician, leader, researcher and educator, Maria Hirsch has dedicated her career to advancing the profession of nurse anesthesia. She has served in state and national positions. She is a member of the AANA Foundation Closed Claims Research Team, served six years as a director on the COA, and was a member of the Full Scope of Practice Competency Force.



GAYLE B. LOURENS, DNP, MS, CRNA

Director, Nurse Anesthesiology Program | Michigan State University

A dedicated educator and NIH funded scholar, Gayle Lourens has spent nearly two decades studying team dynamics and its impact on patient safety. Her efforts have led to the development of interprofessional and interdisciplinary programs with national and international reach. As a transformational leader and advocate, she has served on numerous local, state, and national committees.



KRISTIE J. HOCH, DNP, CRNA, MS

*Program Administrator | The University of Arizona
DNP - Nurse Anesthesiology Program*

Kristie Hoch is a veteran and Program Administrator for the University of Arizona. Dr. Hoch has 18 years of experience, 99% of this being with all CRNA groups. Practice experience in office-based dental and plastics, critical access, and academic trauma centers. She served on the AANA Board of directors. Her passion is access to care.



KARLA MALDONADO, DrAP, CRNA, APRN

Assistant Program Director, Director of Clinical Education | University of South Florida College of Nursing DNP in Nurse Anesthesiology

An assistant program director, director of Clinical Education, and state association leader, Karla Maldonado is committed to professional advocacy, full practice authority, and advancement of nurse anesthesiology education. She was the proud recipient of the 2020 AANA Foundation Janice Drake Humanitarian of the Year Award for her global outreach and dedication to providing surgery and anesthesia care to underserved communities.



CATHERINE HORVATH, DNP, CRNA, CHSE, CNE

Associate Professor/Assistant Program Director | Georgetown University

Cathy Horvath has been a dedicated clinician, educator, and leader of the nurse anesthesiology profession for 31 years. She has served as program director, assistant program director, AANA Health & Wellness Committee chair and NBCRNA Simulation Task Force member. She has a special interest in simulation as an educational tool and the well-being of anesthesiology students and CRNAs.



JILL MASON, EdD, DNP, CRNA, APRN, COI

Assistant Program Director, associate professor/Faculty | AdventHealth University

Jill Mason’s strong advocacy and leadership abilities led her to introduce legislation to remove supervision and testify before the South Carolina Legislature. She has served as a mentor, clinician, advocate, educator, and researcher for 23 years. She recently received the Mary Hanna Journalism Award in 2023.

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ROXANNE MCMURRAY, DNP, CRNA, APRN

Co-Founder, Co-Owner, and vice president of Clinical Management | McMurray Medical Group

As a longtime CRNA, educator, and leader, Roxanne McMurray has contributed significantly to the nurse anesthesia profession. Combining her airway management expertise with a deep passion to improve care delivery for patients and providers, she invented a new airway device for anesthesia and emergency use. Her innovative, award-winning McMurray Enhanced Airway (MEA) is the world's first distal pharyngeal airway.



FRANKLIN MCSHANE, DNP, CRNA, APNP

Associate Professor | Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science

Franklin McShane has 30 years of clinical practice in various roles in the Army and then in private practice. He represented and advanced the profession at the local, state, and national levels. Involved in the didactic and clinical education of SRNAs for over 20 years, he is a frequently invited presenter at state and national educational events. He is also a published author in peer-reviewed journals and of several book chapters.



ANN B. MILLER, DNP, CRNA, APRN

Assistant chair | Florida International University

As associate professor, assistant chair, COA team reviewer, and a CRNA for over two decades, Ann Miller has served on national, regional, and university committees. As an educator and a recipient of the "FIU Top Scholar in Dedicated Mentoring in Teaching," her passion has contributed innovative, impactful, and enduring achievements in teaching, scholarship, and service to the profession.



DEBRA J. MINZOLA, PhD, MSN, MBA, CRNA

Program Director of Geisinger/Bloomsburg Nurse Anesthesia Program | Geisinger/Commonwealth University - Bloomsburg

A CRNA since 2003 with over 12 years in nurse anesthesia education, Debra Minzola's experience in education evolved as she held the roles of clinical coordinator, assistant program director and currently, program director. She has been a reviewer of the *AANA Journal* since 2019. Her love for clinical practice and education aligns with her focus in clinical research, publication, and professional advocacy.



GRETA MITZOVA-VLADINOV, DNP, APRN, CRNA, CHSE

Associate Professor of Clinical Nursing and Health Studies, Director Nurse Anesthesia Program | University of Miami, School of Nursing and Health Studies

A clinician, educator, leader, and innovator, Greta Mitzova-Vladinov is director of one of the most diverse CRNA programs, upholding the CRNAs' legacy of excellent patient care. She is a simulation-based education expert with licensed innovation in virtual reality simulation. She is a former member and chair of AANA Simulations Subcommittee and Society of Simulation in Healthcare's Anesthesiology section vice chair, fostering professional development and collaboration.



JOHANNA NEWMAN, DNAP, CRNA

Associate Professor, DNP Nurse Anesthesia Program | South College

Johanna Newman is a proud Latina who is a visionary leader and advocate for high-quality and innovative nurse anesthesia education. She is a past FANA president who continues to serve the profession on the local, state, and national levels. Her most notable contribution has been her work in increasing diversity in the profession. It has been her honor to serve the CRNA profession.



ANDREW J. OSBORNE, DNP, CRNA, APRN, MAJ (USAR)

president (2021-2022) | Maine Association of Nurse Anesthetists

Duty to country with current military service, and responsibility to peers with advocacy for the CRNA profession highlights Andrew Osborne's dedication to the profession. He has served on the MeANA Board as a director, president-elect, president, and as past president. He organized and led CRNAs and the Dental Association to successfully defeat a State Dental Board rule that would have restricted CRNA practice.



CHERYL PARKER, DNP, CRNA, RNC-OB, FAWHONN

Director - Nurse Anesthesia Program | University of Louisville

A maternal health advocate, certified Inpatient Obstetrics nurse, and OB-CRNA, Cheryl Parker has focused her career on improving maternal health outcomes. In 2020, she wrote and lobbied for state resolution HR73, establishing Kentucky as the fifth state in the nation to recognize Jan. 23 as "Maternal Health Awareness Day" (#123forMOMs). She serves in various positions with the KyANA, KyPQC, and AWHONN.

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NILU PATEL, DNAP, MSN, CRNA

Senior CRNA | University of California, Irvine Health

As a respected clinician and educator for 20 years, Nilu Patel is a recognized leader and advocate for the nurse anesthesiology profession. With a past presidency and five-year board membership in CANA, her dedication is unwavering. She is currently forging strong relationships with the nation's largest nursing union to amplify the voices of CRNAs and champion their vital role in healthcare.



KAY K. SANDERS, DNP, MHS, BA, BS, CRNA

Professor Emeritus, Founding Director (retired), School of Nurse Anesthesia | Texas Christian University

Kay Sanders was program director, Texas Wesleyan University, and founding director of TCU School of Nurse Anesthesia. Her former students are her pride and joy! She was COA president, vice-president, and treasurer and served on various AANA committees and task forces, and as president of TxANA. She received the Helen Lamb Award (2019) and the Program Director of the Year Award (2008).



GWENDOLYNN D. RANDALL, PhD, MSN, MS, CRNA, APRN

Adjunct Professor | Professional University, San Juan Puerto Rico

A highly dedicated and passionate leader with a strong interest in global health, Gwendolynn Randall has advanced the profession of nurse anesthesiology through advocacy, innovation, and knowledge sharing. One of her most impactful accomplishments was launching the Master of Science in Anesthesia program at Addis Ababa University in Ethiopia, resulting in increased providers, improved clinical practice, and access to medical care.



RON SETH SELIGMAN, MS, CRNA

Owner | Comfortably Numb MI, Inc.

Ron Seligman is a lifelong advocate of all things CRNA. His passion for the profession started as a student at Columbia and continued with service for the Maryland and Michigan Associations, and AANA committees. Beginning early in practice, he has maintained a presence in the CRNA-only space. He enjoys mentoring future CRNAs at meetings and in the clinical realm.



LTC (RET) JAMES R. REED, DNP, MSN, CRNA

Associate Clinical Professor | The University of Arizona Nurse Anesthesiology Program

James Reed is a passionate nurse anesthesia educator, trusted leader, and selfless soldier at the most elite level, always putting mission first. LTC Reid's career has spanned over two decades of providing and teaching the art and science of anesthesia on five continents in numerous war zones. Advancing our profession by action and deeds, while setting the example for those he has taught and mentored.



RACHEL SMITH-STEINERT, DNP, CRNA

Assistant Program Director of Clinical Services - Nurse Anesthesia Major; CRNA Lead, Education Integration, University of Cincinnati Medical Center

For 15 years, this educator, clinician, and leader has promoted the advancement of nurse anesthesia through mentorship and quality education. Rachel Smith's work as an assistant program director, CRNA clinical lead, AANA Foundation Research and Scholarship volunteer, and NBCRNA item-writer demonstrates her commitment to the profession. Her interests lie in quality improvement, global nurse anesthesia, and the environmental impacts of anesthesia.



DONALD JON ROESLER, MS, CRNA

For over 39 years, Donald Roesler has been a legendary advocate for our profession in Washington, D.C., for SRNAs and new CRNAs. He has served on the Board of directors for MANA and SDANA for over 30 years, including six terms as president of SDANA. He served three terms on the AANA PAC, including two terms as chair. He is truly proud of his career decision.



STEPHEN D. SMITH, MA, CRNA

Chief Operating Officer and Co-owner | Georgia Anesthesia LLC

For 39 years, Stephen Smith has had a passion and love for nurse anesthesiology that is enduring. The philosophy by which he lives and works is: "Pay it forward and give back." This is demonstrated through his work in advocacy, education, business, in service to his patients, and most importantly, his contribution as a mentor and preceptor.

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KRISTEN STARNES-OTT, PhD, BS, CRNA, FNAP

Vice Dean for Academic Affairs | University of Texas Medical Branch Galveston

Kristen Starnes-Ott has a commitment to nurse anesthesia educational innovation, scholarship, and leadership with an emphasis in technology enhancing patient safety and outcomes. As program director, she implemented the first BSN-DNP program in a Texas public university. She has served AANA as chair of multiple committees and taskforces and continues to mentor CRNAs to become impactful leaders in healthcare.



JAY TUMULAK, DNP, CRNA, APRN

Associate Program Director | Marquette University

A passionate academician and a transformational leader, Jay Tumulak has educated and mentored anesthesia providers who became state leaders. He continues to be a strong patient advocate through research and innovations as a practicing clinician. He previously served as Region Director and Director of Education for the IL state association, and he currently serves as COA chair Reviewer and AANA Education Committee member.



ROGER A. STRAND, MAE, CRNA, ARNP

Paceline Anesthesia PLLC

By providing effective leadership for the Washington State Association in various roles including board member, federal political director, and president, Roger Strand has advocated for CRNA practice throughout his career and serves as a resource to his professional colleagues. His current focus is supporting colleagues who are or have been affected by substance use disorders and helping them achieve wellness.



TONY UMADHAY, PhD, CRNA

Dean and Professor of Anesthesiology | Barry University School of Nursing

A nationally and internationally respected leader in academic nursing, Tony Umadhay collaborated with CRNA colleagues from the Philippine Nurses Association of America and the Philippine Department of Health to create and implement the Anesthesia Care Nurse certificate curriculum to expand anesthesia care services in his home country. This work has been recognized as transformational for the healthcare system in the Philippines.



PETER DONALD STRUBE, DNAP, CRNA, MBA, MSNA, APRN, APNP, LTC (RET)

Assistant Professor and Assistant Program Director | Neuman University

Peter Strube's drive is to help ensure that all nurse anesthesia residents are successful and go on to enjoy long and amazing careers. Dr. Strube's belief is that we should all be of service to others and help them achieve success, health, and happiness. Professionally, he is a retired LTC from the U.S. Army with service in both Iraq and Afghanistan.



MARIA VAN PELT, PhD, CRNA, FAAN

Clinical Professor | Northeastern University Nurse Anesthesia Program

Maria van Pelt is widely regarded as an expert, scholar, and leader in patient safety. Dr. van Pelt's seminal impact has been through national and international advancement of the healthcare profession through advocacy, education, research, and policy development related to the aftermath of adverse events by highlighting the need for clinician peer support and wellness.



JODIE B. SZLACHTA, PhD, MSN, MS, CRNA

Program Director | Villanova University / Crozer-Chester Medical Center

In her 25 years as a CRNA, Jodie Szlachta has impacted the profession as a clinician, program director, state leader, speaker, and CRNA advocate (and enthusiast). She is passionate about CRNA education and advocacy and was the first CRNA / APRN to be appointed by the Pennsylvania governor to his Health Policy Board.



STACEY VANDYKE, DNP, CRNA, LT COL USAF (RET)

Program Administrator | Florida State University Panama City

A transformational leader, program director, educator, and two-time combat veteran, Stacy VanDyke was a major force behind the independent practice model adoption in the Air Force. She has served AANA, FANA, COA, and NBCRNA, modeling professional involvement for her students. She is a fierce advocate for veterans' access to care, best practices, and in teaching students to practice with autonomy.

2023 Class, continued



RICHARD WILSON, DNAP, CRNA

Assistant Program Director | University of South Carolina School of Medicine

As an educator, clinician, speaker, and mentor, Richard Wilson supports the field of nurse anesthesia through practice, education, and advocacy. His involvement as an NBCRNA item-writer, assistant program director, state association committee member, and author promotes the advancement of the profession. His work as a mentor has guided many to join the profession and become successful nurse anesthesiologists.



LINDA L. WUNDER, PhD, MSN, CRNA

Associate Professor of Clinical | University of Miami

Linda Wunder's 29 years of leadership through clinical practice, education, and research has motivated and inspired generations of CRNAs to reach their full potential. Among her professional advocacy activities, she provided resources for donations to the AANA Foundation, lobbied in Tallahassee and Washington, D.C., and encouraged lifelong professional involvement by nurse anesthesia students.



YOUNG J. YAUGER, PhD, MSN, BSN, CRNA

Executive Director | TriService Nursing Research Program

Col. Young (John) Yauger is the executive director of TriService Nursing Research Program. TSNRP is responsible for funding, training, and disseminating nursing research and evidence-based practice in the entire Department of Defense. Over a 22-year career, Col. Yauger served as a combat CRNA and nurse scientist addressing unique military challenges through evidence-based solutions.



APPLY TO BE A 2024 FELLOW

Online applications for the 2024 class of Fellows of the AANA open Nov. 1, 2023.

Consideration for Fellows of the AANA is open to any CRNA who is an Active (including Emeritus) member of AANA with an established career in nurse anesthesia.

The candidate must meet the following minimum eligibility requirements:

- Minimum of 10 years professional experience acquired as a practitioner of nurse anesthesia or as an educator/program director, facility leader, or business leader.
- Minimum of 10 years of continuous certification in good standing as a CRNA.
- Minimum of 10 years of AANA membership at time of application (not including years as a student member).
- Record of attending AANA conferences, demonstrating a commitment to the association.
- Demonstrate outstanding achievements in nurse anesthesia and leadership that command respect and recognition from other recognized leaders in the profession.
- Provide evidence of enduring, impactful professional achievements that demonstrate professional and personal growth and use of innovative, creative solutions in at least one of several categories.

Questions? Contact Gina Pantone, Education Specialist, at gpantone@aana.com.

For more information, visit aana.com/faana



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Dwayne Accardo
DNP, CRNA, FAANA

Lori R. Anderson
DNP, CRNA, APRN, FAANA

Edwin N. Aroke
PhD, CRNA, FAAN, FAANA

Laura S. Bonanno
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