

# SAVE the DATE

SONK Consortium • 2024 Annual Conference

## Family Focused Care Across the Life Span

**April 5, 2024 - 9 AM to 3:30 PM**

**Sharonville Convention Center • Cincinnati, Ohio**

*Join us for a conference designed to address the role of family engagement as a major component of nursing care from a physiological, psychological, and sociological perspective.*

*The keynote address by Dr. Rita Pickler will focus on family engagement in the pediatric population and set the stage for presentations focused on the role of family across the life span. Ms. Cynthia Prows, Genetics Clinical Nurse Specialist, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, will discuss patient and family engagement in addressing the role of genetics in healthcare. Dr. Candace Harrington, Gerontology Professor at University of Louisville, will present family and caregiver engagement with an aging population diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias (ADRD). A panel of experts, Dr. Sharon Tucker, Grayce Sills Endowed Professor in Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing, The Ohio State University; Dr. Barbara Giambra, Assistant Professor of Nursing, Division of Research in Patient Services, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center; and Dr. Candace Harrington, will highlight the nurse's role with family engagement issues across the life span.*

### KEYNOTE

**RITA PICKLER, PHD, RN, FAAN**, is The FloAnn Sours Easton Professor of Child and Adolescent Health and University Distinguished Scholar at The Ohio State University. She has years of clinical experience as a neonatal intensive care nurse, is a practicing pediatric nurse practitioner, and has over 30 years of experience in conducting research focused on the care of preterm infants and their families to improve their outcomes over time.

For over 20 years, Dr. Pickler has been continuously funded by NIH. She is a recipient of the Midwest Nursing Research Society 2020 Lifetime Achievement Award and was inducted into the Sigma Theta Tau International Research Hall of Fame and the American Academy of Nursing. She is the Editor of the *Nursing Research Journal*.



### COST

SIGMA Member \$60 • Non-member \$70 • Student \$30

### CALL FOR POSTER ABSTRACTS

Details at the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/JSZtDd88ym>

**DEADLINE December 15, 2023**

### CONTACT HOURS

Application has been submitted for continuing education contact hours for nurses. Please contact Sigma SONK Consortium at [reiglebs@uc.edu](mailto:reiglebs@uc.edu) for information regarding approval status.

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