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EDUCATION

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| Doctor of Public Health | University of Texas School of Public Health: Houston | 2006 |
| Masters of Science | Texas Woman's University: Houston | 1992 |
| Bachelor of Science: Nursing | University of Texas Medical Branch: Galveston | 1987 |

Other Education

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| George Washington University | Health Policy & Media Relations Graduate Certificate | 2020-2021 |
| UTHealth-Houston | Health Educators Fellowship Program | 2018-2019 |
| Dale Carnegie | Communication and Human Relations | 1987 |
| The University of Texas: Austin | Nursing Prerequisites | 1983-1985 |

LICENSURE & CERTIFICATION

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| Texas Registered Nurse | Active | 1987- present |
| Certified Nurse Educator (CNE) | National League of Nursing | 2015-2025 |
| Basic Life Support | American Heart Association | 1987-present |
| Advanced Cardiac Life Support | American Heart Association | 1994-2007 |
| Pediatric Advanced Life Support | American Heart Association | 1991-2001 |
| Basic Life Support Instructor | American Heart Association | 1999-2001 |

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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| St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital | Staff Nurse, Surgical Services/Preceptor | 1987-1990 |
| Memorial SW Healthcare Systems | Central Education/Med-Surg Manager/Pediatric Manager/ House Supervisor | 1990-1993 |
| Pasadena General Hospital | Chief Nursing Officer | 1993-1995 |
| Avanti Health Systems Inc | Director of Clinical Operations | 1995-1996 |
| Sharpstown General Hospital | House Supervisor | 1996-1997 |
| Texas Orthopedic Hospital | House Supervisor/Case Manager/JCAHO Liaison | 1997-2005 |

San Jacinto College of Nursing

Adjunct Clinical Faculty

2001-2003

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE continued

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| UTHealth Cizik School of Nursing | Assistant Professor, Undergraduate Studies Coordinator, Joan and Stanford Alexander Fellowship Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities | 2008-present |
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HONORS AND AWARDS

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| Recipient, Dean's Teaching Fellowship | UTHealth School of Public Health | 2003 |
| Governor-appointed Board Member | Texas Board of Nursing | 2015-2027 |
| Elected, UT System New Direct Leader Forum | UTHealth: Houston | 2017 |
| Elected Participant | National Leadership Consortium on Developmental Disabilities | 2017 |
| Nominee, President's Scholar Award-Clinical Service and Regents Outstanding Teaching Award | UTHealth: Houston | 2017, 2020 |
| Honoree, Hurricane Heroes | Texas Nurses Association, District 9 Foundation | 2017 |
| Nominee, AAIDD Education Award | American Association of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities | 2018 |
| Candidate, Josiah Macy Foundation Scholar | Josiah Macy Foundation | 2018 |
| Recipient, UTHealth: Health Education Fellowship | UTHealth: Houston | 2018-2019 |
| Elected Board Member | The Center for Pursuit | 2019 |
| Nominated Board Member | University of Texas Medical Branch Alumni | 2019 |
| Elected Board Member | University of Texas Medical Branch Development | 2019 |
| Hall of Fame Recipient | University of Texas Medical Branch | 2020 |
| Scholarship Recipient | National Council of State Board's of Nursing George Washington University: Health Policy | 2020 |

GRANTS*Research*

Socio-Demographic Disparities in Epilepsy Care. Center for Disease Control. **Edwards, Allison P.** (Principal Investigator) and Begley, Charles. \$1,000,000.00. 2006-2011.

GRANTS continued*Training*

Neurodevelopmental Program for Integrating Disability Education in Undergraduate Curriculum. Joan and Stanford Alexander Foundation. **Edwards, Allison** and Rabel, Patti. (Principal Investigator/Program Coordinator) \$500,000 Endowment. 2016- life of endowment

American Association of Colleges of Nursing. Unfolding Case Study, "John's Journey." Hekel, Barbara (Principal Investigator), Alexander, Juane; DesOrmeaux, Christina; Edwards, Allison; Pullis, Bridgette. \$5,000 Grant. 2020.

Projects

Integration of weather-related education in an intermediate school setting using WeatherBug. **Edwards, Allison**. \$5,000. 2009-2019.

UTHealthy Wellness Program. Awarded by UT System. Parnell, Susan and Edwards, Allison. (Co-Author). \$5,000. 2017-2018.

PUBLICATIONS*Peer Reviewed Publications*

Thomas, L. W., & Edwards, A. P. (2018). A Guidance Algorithm to Improve Communication and Management of Brain Injury Rehabilitation PRN Bowel Medications. Abstract: Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, 99 (10), e82.

Edwards, Allison P. & Thomas, Lisa. (2021). Trifecta for RN-BSN Curricula: Algorithms, Interdisciplinary Practice, and Authentic Application within a Quality Improvement Project. Nurse Educator, 46 (2).

Edwards, Allison (2021). Elevating Equity and Inclusion for People with Intellectual Disabilities: A Nursing Student Sexual Health Promotion Project. Creative Nursing, 27 (3).

Edwards, Allison P., Hekel, Barbara and Cron, Stanley (2021). Disability Attitudes of Student Nurses: A Pilot Curriculum Intervention. Nursing Education Perspectives, 16.

Edwards, Allison (2021). Co-Curricular Clinical Opportunity: Addressing Students Attitudes, Knowledge and Skills with Disability Education. Journal of Nursing Education, 60 (11).

Norman, Leslie, Wells, Brandy and Edwards, Allison. (2021) From Policy to Practice: A DNP Practicum Experience. Nursing Forum, 56 (3).

Edwards, Allison & Hekel, Barbara. (2022) Appraisal of Disability Attitudes and Curriculum of Nursing Students: A Literature Review. International Journal of Nursing Education Scholarship, 19 (1).

Non-Peer-Reviewed Publications

Edwards, Allison P. (1990). The ABC's of AICD. CV Nurse

Edwards, Allison P. (1993). Catch 22: Strategies for Dealing with Manipulative Family Members, Nursing Management

PUBLICATIONS continued*Non-Peer-Reviewed Publications (continued)*

Edwards, A. (1996). Reporting and Detecting Child Abuse, Nurseweek. CEU Offering.

Book Chapters

Edwards, A. and Jordan-Troutman, M. (2018). Populations Affected by Disabilities. In M.A. Nies & M. McEwen (eds.), Community/public health nursing: Promoting the health of populations (7th ed., pp. 1- 17). St. Louis: Elsevier.

Edwards, A. and Jordan-Troutman, M. (2022). Populations Affected by Disabilities. In M.A. Nies & M. McEwen (eds.), Community/public health nursing: Promoting the health of populations (8th ed., pp.). St. Louis: Elsevier

PRESENTATIONS*International*

Invited Speaker: Texas Heart Institute's International Symposium. "ABC's of AICD." Houston, TX, April 1990.

Speaker: Sigma Theta Tau's 30th International Research Congress. "Transforming care for people with disabilities: Empowering pre-licensure nursing students to improve quality and reduce barriers through clinical education." Alberta, Calgary, Canada. July 2019.

National

Invited Speaker: Luncheon CEU Offering for the Developmental Disability Nursing Association's 25th Annual Conference. "Integrating Disability Education in Undergraduate Curriculum: The UTHealth: School of Nursing Experience." Dallas, TX, April 2017.

Thomas, L., Edwards, A. & Nwagboso, A. "A Guidance Algorithm to Improve Communication and Management of Brain Injury Rehabilitation PRN Bowel Medications." American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine; Dallas, TX, September 2018.

Invited Speaker: PATH PWIDD National Consortium monthly meeting. "Imperative Undergraduate Interprofessional Education for People with Disabilities." Virtual via Zoom, January 26, 2022.

Poster Presentations

Edwards, A. "Birds, Bees and STD's: Sexual Activity and Health for Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities." 24th Annual Developmental Disability Nursing Association Conference, San Diego, CA, April 2016.

Edwards, A., Thomas L., & Nwagboso, A. "An Algorithm to Improve Communication and Management of PRN Bowel Medications in Rehabilitation Settings." Houston Medication Safety Symposium: High Risk Medications and Prescription Abuse, Houston, TX, April 28, 2017.

Edwards, A., Thomas L., & Nwagboso, A. "Bowel Management in Brain Injury: A Guidance Algorithm." Association of Rehabilitation Nurses: 2017 REACH Conference, Seattle, WA, November 8-11, 2017.

Edwards, A., Thomas L., & Nwagboso, A. "Bowel Management In Brain Injury: A Guidance Algorithm." National Association of Indian Nurses of America: Clinical Excellence Conference, Houston, TX, December 2, 2017.

PRESENTATIONS continued

Poster Presentations continued

Thomas, L., Edwards, A., Velasquez, J, & Nwagboso, A. "A Guidance Algorithm for Neurogenic Bowel." Memorial Hermann Robust Process Improvement Expo, Houston, TX, February 2018.

Edwards, A. and Thomas, L. (2019) "Transforming Nursing Student Attitudes toward People with Disabilities." Breaking the Mold-Transformation as a Call for Scholarly Action: Advances in Teaching and Learning, Houston, TX, June 2019.

Hekel, Barbara and Edwards, Allison (2020). "A Curricular Intervention to Impact Nursing Student Attitudes about People with Disabilities." Association of Community Health Nursing Educators. Virtual Conference, June 2020

Hekel, B., Pullis B. R., Edwards, A. P., DesOrmeaux, C., & Alexander, J. (2021, June 11). An Unfolding Case Study to Teach Public Health Concepts [Poster presentation]. UTHealth Advances in Teaching and Learning Day. Virtual due to COVID-19. Houston, TX, United States.

Regional Presentation/Video

Interactive Video Presenter: "Vital Signs." Series presenting hospital-wide quality improvement and nursing practice issues. Memorial Care Systems, Houston, TX, March-December 1992.

Educational Video for Staff "Code Team Protocol." Houston, Texas.
Produced for Tenet Health Care Systems at Pasadena General Hospital, Pasadena, TX, October 1993.

Association of Rehabilitation Nurses: Southeast Texas Chapter- CEU offering: "Transforming care for people with disabilities: Empowering pre-licensure nursing students to improve quality and reduce barriers through clinical education." February 26, 2019, Houston, Texas.

Speaker: Summer Health Professions Education Program. Cizik School of Nursing. "Disability Care and Awareness." June 2019, June 23, 2020, June 8, 2021.

Speaker: Texas Woman's University 2019 Founders Day Forum-Embracing the Art and Science of Nursing. "Transforming care for people with disabilities: Empowering pre-licensure nursing students to improve quality and reduce barriers through clinical education." Houston, Texas, October 8, 2019.

Speaker: UTHealth School of Dentistry/School of Nursing Virtual Workshop. "Transforming care for people with disabilities: improving quality and reducing barriers through clinical education." Houston, Texas, April 9, 2021.

Invited Speaker: University of Texas Medical Branch Nursing Faculty "Hot Topics". "Imperative undergraduate education-nursing care for people with disabilities." April 19, 2021.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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|---------------------------|---|------|
| Texas Nursing Association | Task Force Review Panel/Top 20 Nurse Candidates | 2012 |
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| Editorial Panel: Southern Nursing Research Society | Abstract/Research Reviewer | 2015-2017 |
| <u>PROFESSIONAL SERVICE</u> continued | | |
| <i>Texas Board of Nursing continued</i> | | |
| Texas Board of Nursing | Board Member Vice President | 2015-2021 2021-2023 |
| Education Committee | Baccalaureate Education Representative | 2015-present |
| Eligibility and Disciplinary Committee | Chair | 2015-present |
| National NCIRS-National Committee Item Review | NCLEX Item Writer/Reviewer | 2017-present |
| The Center for Pursuit | Board Member | 2019-2022 |
| PARTNERS | Spring Luncheon Chair | 2020-2021 |
| PATH-PWIDD Partner Partnering to Transform Health Outcomes with Persons w/IDD | Consortium Action Network IPE Practice, Policy and Regulation | 2020-present |
| <u>PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS</u> | | |
| American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (AAIDD) | | 2017-present |
| Alliance for Disability in Health Care Education | | 2017-present |
| Developmental Disability Nurses Association | | 2016-present |
| Sigma Theta Tau- Zeta Pi Chapter | | 2014-present |
| Southern Nursing Research Society | | 2014-2016 |
| American/Texas Nurses Association | | 2014-2016 |
| American Public Health Association | | 2014-2016 |
| Houston Organization of Nurse Executives | | 1994-1996 |
| <u>INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE</u> | | |
| The University of Texas Medical Branch School of Nursing Alumni Board Member | | 1994-1997 |
| St. Vincent De Paul School Board Member, 2006-2009 Vice President, 2009 Gala Fundraising Chair, 2009 | | 2006-2010 |

Yearbook Editor, 2007

UTHealth: Cizik School of Nursing

Interfaculty Council 2015-2019

INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE continued

Baccalaureate Council 2010-present

Incarinate Word Academy 2011

Gala Fundraising Chair

Admission, Progression and Graduation Subcommittee 2015-2016

Faculty Assembly 2015-2017

Vice Chair, 2015-2016

Chair, 2016-2017

Strake Jesuit College Preparatory 2017

Women's Retreat Chair, 2017

Women's Overnight Retreat Chair, 2015

Faculty Life Council 2017-2019

UTHealth Wellness Committee 2017-present

University of Texas Medical Branch 2019-2022

Development Board Member

University of Texas Medical Branch 2019-2021

Alumni Board Member

University Classified Staff Education Award Panel 2020

University of Texas Medical Branch Awards Committee 2021

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Covenant House Guild 1992-1994

Secretary, 1993

Boulevard Oaks/Southampton Civic Club 1998-1999

Executive Director

Junior League of Houston, Member (Sustainer) 1998-present

Writer, Contributor Houston News, 2001

Child Advocates Chair, 2000

Juvenile Probation, 1999

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| Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary | 2005-present |
| West University Little League Auxiliary Board Member | 2006-2007 |

COMMUNITY SERVICE continued

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| National Charity League Tea and Style Show Chair, 2010 Speaker Chair, 2011 | 2008-2017 |
| Texas Agricultural and Mechanical University Small Animal Clinic Steering Committee | 2019-present |

COURSES TAUGHT (at Cizik School of Nursing at UTHealth)

*indicates lead faculty

Baccalaureate RN-BSN

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| N3601 | Community Health: RN-BSN* |
| N3602 | Community Project/Clinical* |
| N3701 | Professional Practice of Nursing* |
| N3702 | Issues in Professional Nursing* |
| N3703 | Management and Leadership |
| N3704 | Synthesis* |
| N4526 | Role Transition |

Baccalaureate Pre-licensure

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| N3511 | Health Assessment |
| N3511W | |
| N4521 | Community Health* |
| N4521B | Community Health: Pacesetter Clinical* |
| N4499 | Independent Study: Fellowship-Care of People with Disabilities |
| N4499 | Independent Study: Honors Students |

Master's/Doctoral Program

N5594W Synthesis for RN-FNP

N6860A Doctoral Program-DNP Practicum

Major Teaching Areas

Community Health: Vulnerable Populations-Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

Public Health/Health Promotion/Evolution of Healthy People 2020/Ethics/Policy