

The Faith Community Nurses Association of Oklahoma provides support and resources for faith community nurses of all faiths to promote spiritual development and best practices.

FCNA OK meets quarterly on the second Tuesday of January, April, July, and October from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Visit fcnaok.org for more information.

YOU ARE WELCOME

The Faith Community Nurses Association of Oklahoma invites anyone interested in joining to contact us via email at fcnaok@gmail.com. We would be happy to speak with you and provide more information.



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What is Faith Community Nursing?

Faith Community Nursing is the intentional integration of the practice of faith with the practice of nursing so that people can achieve wholeness in, with, and through the community of faith in which Faith Community Nurses serve.*

What is a Faith Community Nurse?

Faith Community Nursing is recognized by the American Nurses Association as a specialty practice area for registered nurses who have completed an endorsed training program.

In some communities, Faith Community Nurses are called 'Congregational Health Nurses'. This is an independent nursing practice which has "intentional care of the spirit" as its function and does not involve 'hands-on,' task-oriented nursing care.

Faith Community Nurses can be found in congregations of every denomination and faith tradition in rural, urban and suburban settings. The nurse actively promotes wellness, wholeness, and preventive health.

Faith Community Nursing originated in Illinois during the 1980's; over 10,000 Faith Community Nurses are a part of an international movement.

Functions of a Faith Community Nurse

- **INTEGRATOR OF FAITH AND HEALTH**
Promotes the relationship between faith and health to improve body, mind, spirit.
- **HEALTH EDUCATOR**
Provides opportunities to learn about health issues.

- **HEALTH ADVOCATE**
Speaks out to help others obtain needed health & community services. Empowers individuals and families to obtain appropriate health care and health.
- **PERSONAL HEALTH COUNSELOR**
Discusses health concerns emphasizing early response to problems and encouraging healthy lifestyles.
- **REFERRAL AGENT**
Provides referral to healthcare, community and spiritual services.
- **FACILITATOR OF VOLUNTEERS**
Coordinates volunteers to help those in need.
- **DEVELOPER OF SUPPORT GROUPS**
Facilitates support groups for the community.

