

Kathryn Whitcomb, DNP, RN

- **Summary**
 - Doctor of Nursing Practice- Executive Leadership
 - Transformational nurse leader
 - Leads/collaborates in innovative research with interprofessional teams
 - Change-agent within the organization
 - Takes the initiative to experiment with new ideas to improve practice
 - Works well under pressure
 - Communicates ideas clearly and effectively
 - Demonstrated achiever who enjoys a challenge
 - Encourages staff to work to their full potential
 - Recognizes the accomplishments of staff/others

- **Employment History**
 - **Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, Abilene, TX** 2013 – current
 - Simulation Center Coordinator/Assistant Professor
 - Responsible for managing a large Simulation Center
 - Dual appointment to the School of Nursing/School of Pharmacy

 - **Granite State College, Nashua, NH** 2013 - current
 - RN – BSN, Adjunct Faculty
 - Curriculum/course development (online format)
 - Course facilitator- Role of the Nurse in Genomics and Genomics

 - **Hendrick Medical Center, Abilene TX** 2011 - 2013
 - Medical-Surgical Nurse Educator (7 units)
 - Provided education, competencies, and in-services to nursing staff that is founded on research and evidenced-based practice
 - Pathway to Excellence Coordinator
 - Coordinated steering committee members in gathering data for each of the twelve standards in a Pathway to Excellence facility
 - Professional Practice Model Committee
 - Facilitator/major contributor in the development of the nursing patient care delivery model based on the Synergy Model
 - Prophecy Orientation Champion
 - Developed a successful orientation program for a large tertiary-care hospital
 - Policy and Procedure Committee

- Medication Management Committee
- Joint Commission Committee
- Education Council
- Nursing Council

- **Texas State Technical College, Abilene, TX** 2011- 2013
 - Adjunct Clinical Instructor, LVN-RN program

- **Nashua Community College, Nashua, NH** 2009- 2011
 - Associate Professor, Nursing
 - Curriculum development
 - Course facilitator/online and classroom didactic
 - Clinical Instructor
 - Sim-Center Instructor

- **Southern New Hampshire Medical Center, Nashua, NH** 2010-2011
 - Registered Nurse, Medical-Surgical Oncology

- **Beacon Hospice, Inc., Nashua, NH** 2009-2011
 - Triage Supervisor
 - Hospice Case Manager, RN

- **Allegiance Hospice, Inc., Lowell, MA** 2008-2009
 - Hospice Case Manager, RN

- **Hendrick Medical Center, Abilene, TX** 2005-2008
 - Registered Nurse, Medical-Surgical, Telemetry/Step-down

- **Business Owner (Retail/Wholesale), El Paso, TX** 1988-1999
 - Managed wholesale, retail, and finished-ware business
 - Award for largest growth, Duncan Distributer, 1988-1990

- **Education**
 - **Doctorate of Nursing Practice -Executive Leadership**
 - Texas Tech University Health Science Center, Lubbock, TX 2014

 - **Master of Science, Nursing Education** 2010
 - Angelo State University, San Angelo, TX

- **Bachelor of Science, Nursing** 2009
 - Angelo State University, San Angelo, TX
 - Summa cum laude

- **Associate of Science, Nursing** 2005
 - Nashua Community College, Nashua, NH
 - Summa cum laude

- **Awards**
 - Hendrick Medical Center
 - Nursing Excellence Award Nomination, 2012
 - Angelo State University, San Angelo, TX
 - Distinguished Graduate Student, 2009-2010
 - Beacon Hospice, Inc.
 - Nurse of the Year, 2010
 - Nashua Community College
 - President's Award for Academic Excellence, 2005

- **Memberships and Affiliations**
 - Texas Nurses Association (ANA/TNA), 2011 to present
 - National League for Nursing (NLN), 2009 to present
 - International Nursing Association for Clinical Simulation (INACSL), 2012 to present
 - Texas Organization of Nurse Executive, 2014 to present
 - Sigma Theta Tau, 2014 to present
 - Phi Kappa Phi , 2014 to present

- **Scholarship and Publications**
 - Bargainer, R., Whitcomb, K., Parks, K., Beckling, K. Wise, S. & Lee, Y. (2014). *Interprofessional trauma simulation: A bridge to quality care. Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) Seed Grant Recipient*. Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. Funded: \$2500.
 - Bargainer, R., Whitcomb, K., & Wise, S. (October, 2013). *Simulation: Bridging the gap toward interprofessional collaboration*. National League for Nursing (NLN) Technology Conference, poster presentation.
 - Bargainer, R., Whitcomb, K., Parks, K., Beckling, A. & Wise, S. (October, 2013). *Simulation: Bridging the gap toward interprofessional collaboration*. Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center QEP Symposium, poster presentation.
 - Campbell, L., Whitcomb, K., Culver, M., & McClanahan, C. *Population health evaluation and improvement: Leveraging stakeholders to achieve healthy*

communities. 2014 Doctors of Nursing Practice Conference. (accepted poster presentation, October, 2014).

- Powers, C., Normand, L., & Whitcomb, K. (2014, In Press). Is clique behavior sabotaging your nursing team? *Nursing Management*.
- Whitcomb, K., & Zinn, M. (July, 2014). *The financial impact of bullying/clique behavior on nursing*, (July, 2014). National Association of Hispanic Nurses (NAHN) 39th Annual Conference, poster presentation.
- Whitcomb, K., Bargainer, R., & Parks, K. (June, 2014). *The magic of a trauma day simulation: Bridging the gap toward interprofessional education*. International Nursing Association in Clinical Simulation Learning (INACSL) Conference, podium-presentation.
- Whitcomb, K. (2014,). Using a multidimensional approach to improve quality related to students' hand hygiene practice. *Nurse Educator*, 39(6).
- Yoder-Wise, P., & Whitcomb, K. (2015, In Press). Engagement. In Smith, M. J., Carpenter, R., & Fitzpatrick, J. J. *Encyclopedia of nursing education*. New York: Springer Publishing.

- **Academically-Related Public Service**

- DNP Studies Committee Representative, 2012 -2014.

- **National/State/Local Public Service**

- Texas Board of Nursing
 - Task Force to Study Implications in Growth for Nursing Education Programs in Texas, 2014 to present
- Co-facilitator of Local Public Health Assessment (LPHA) for Victoria County, Texas, 2013