L. Susan Yetter, PhD, APRN, PMH-NP Clinical Associate Professor University of Southern Maine School of Nursing Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner

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Education

PhD Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA; dissertation entitled, *The*

Experience of Older Men Living Alone: A Phenomenological

Perspective, 2008

Post-graduate certificate University of Southern Maine, Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner

(across the lifespan), 2021

Post-graduate certificate St. Louis University, Gerontological Nurse Practitioner, 2005

Post-graduate certificate University of Southern Maine, Adult Psychiatric Nurse

Practitioner, 2001

Post-graduate certificate University of Southern Maine, Adult Psychiatric Clinical Nurse

Specialist, 1998

MSN University of Pennsylvania, Nursing Administration, 1991

BSN University of Pennsylvania, 1987

Certifications

2022 -- present Certified Nurse Educator

2021 -- present American Nurses Association, Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner

(across the lifespan)

2001 – 2021 American Nurses Association, Adult Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner 2007–2012 American Nurses Association, Gerontological Nurse Practitioner

1998–2013 American Nurses Association, Psychiatric Clinical Nurse

Specialist

RN Licensure: Maine, Pennsylvania

Employment History

2019 – present Clinical Associate Professor, University of Southern Maine

School of Nursing, Portland, ME

2001 – present Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner, Mid Coast Senior Mental Health

Services, Mid Coast Hospital, Brunswick, ME

2012-2019 & Part-time Instructor, Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing,

1993-2007 University of Southern Maine, School of Nursing, Portland, ME

2007 – 2012 Assistant Professor, Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing graduate

program, University of Southern Maine, School of Nursing,

Portland, ME

2000 – 2001	Nurse Manager, ICU/Adult Psychiatry, Spring Harbor Hospital, South Portland, ME
1998 – 2000	Clinical Nurse Specialist, Shoreline Community Mental Health Services (now Sweetser, Inc.), Brunswick, ME
1996 – 1998	Nurse Consultant, Gero-psychiatric team, Spring Harbor Hospital (formerly Jackson Brook Institute), South Portland, ME
1995 – 1996	Charge Nurse, Adult Psychiatry, Spring Harbor Hospital (formerly Jackson Brook Institute), South Portland, ME
1994 – 1995	Staff Nurse, Outpatient psychiatry, Maine Medical Center, Portland, ME
1987 – 1992	Staff nurse/Charge Nurse, Adult Psychiatry, Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Teaching Experience and Clinical Experience/Expertise

A. Clinical Expertise

- 1. Advanced Practice Adult Psychiatric Nursing: Psychotherapy and Medication Management
- 2. Advanced Practice Gero-Psychiatric Nursing: Psychotherapy and Medication Management

B. Teaching

- 1. MS Program at USM: Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner Program: NUR 672: Biological and Behavioral Components of Mental Illness; NUR 671: Foundations of Advanced Practice Mental Health Nursing; NUR 685/686: Advanced Mental Health Nursing III; NUR 687/688: Advanced Mental Health Nursing III; NUR 680: Advanced Psychopharmacology
- 2. BSN Program at USM: NUR 330/331: Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing, lecture and clinical
- 3. Preceptor for several graduate nursing students at USM for medication management clinical rotations

C. Other teaching activities/Inservices (2003- present)

- 1. Case Presentation: Resident with Schizophrenia, Mid Coast Senior Health Center, September, 2022
- 2. Case Presentation: Resident with Borderline Personality Disorder, Mid Coast Senior Health Center, November, 2018
- 3. Different Types of Dementia, Maine Veterans' Home, Scarborough, ME, June, 2016
- 4. Different Types of Dementia, Maine Veterans' Home, Scarborough, ME, June, 2016

- 5. Legislative Update for Nurse Practitioners: The Consensus Model, Maine Nurse Practitioner Association Annual Conference, April, 2011
- 6. Managing Borderline Personality Disorders, Gorham House Nursing Facility, Gorham, ME, May, 2010.
- 7. Managing Anxiety Disorders in Primary Care, Maine Nurse Practitioner Association Annual Conference, April, 2010
- 8. Managing Difficult Behaviors in Dementia, Winship Green Nursing Facility, Bath, ME, June, 2009.
- 9. Borderline Personality Disorder, Hawthorne House Nursing Facility, April, 2009
- 10. Medications Used in Dementia, Dementia Support Group, Mid Coast Senior Health Center, Brunswick, ME, October, 2007
- 11. Communicating with Challenging Populations, CNA Appreciation Dinner, Brunswick, ME, August, 2007
- 12. Depression in Older Adults, Freeport Place Assisted Living, Freeport, ME, March, 2007
- 13. Depression in Older Adults, Plant Home Assisted Living, Bath, ME, November, 2009
- 14. Implementing Verbal De-escalation Skills, Hawthorne House Nursing Facility, Freeport, ME, October, 2005
- 15. Managing Difficult Behaviors, Freeport Place Assisted Living, Freeport, ME, May, 2005
- Mental Wellness Psychoeducation Group, 55+ Senior Center, Brunswick, ME, June, 2005
- 17. The Myths of Mental Illness, The Highlands Retirement Community, Topsham, ME, February, 2005
- 18. Depression and Older Adults, 55+ Senior Center, Brunswick, ME October, 2004
- 19. Mental Illness among the Elderly, Hodgdon Green Assisted Living, Damariscotta, ME March, 2004
- 20. Behavior Management of Residents with Dementia, St. Andrew's Nursing Facility, Boothbay Harbor, November, 2003
- 21. Behavior Management of Borderline Personality Disorder, Freeport Nursing Home, Freeport, ME, July, 2003

D. Public Presentations

- 1. Healthy Aging Presentation, Mid Coast Senior Health Center, public presentation, September, 2016
- 2. Finding Balance: Caring for Yourself and Others, Mid Coast Senior Health Center, Dementia Support Group, June, 2016
- 3. Medication Use in Older Adults, Mid Coast Senior Health Center, Ounce of Prevention Series, February, 2015
- 4. Depression and Older Adults, The Family Tree, a local free-access cable television show, February, 2013
- 5. Depression and Parkinson's Disease, Mid Coast Hospital, Parkinson's Support Group, February, 2006

- 6. Maintaining Mental Wellness as We Age, Mid Coast Senior Health Center, March, 2005
- 7. Depression, Stress, and Elders, Local Access Television, Harpswell, ME July, 2003
- 8. Surviving the Holidays, Local Access Television, Brunswick, ME November, 2002

Scholarly Activity

Yetter, L.S. (2009). *The Experience of Older Men Living Alone*. [Conference Presentation]. Eastern Nursing Research Society Annual Conference, Boston, MA.

Yetter, L.S. (2005, November). *Mental Health Parity in the U.S.: Less than Meets the Eye.* [Poster presentation]. Duquesne University School of Nursing, Pittsburgh, PA.

Yetter, L. S. (2004, May). *The Experience of Older Depressed Women*. [Research Proposal Presentation]. Duquesne University School of Nursing, Pittsburgh, PA.

Publications

Yetter, L.S. (2010). The experience of older men living alone. *Geriatric Nursing*, 31 (6), 412-418.

Yetter, L. S. (2009). Communication across the lifespan. In V. Hart, *Patient-provider communications: Caring to Listen* (pp.168-175). Jones & Bartlett.

Research Awards & Scholarships

Sigma Theta Tau, Kappa Zeta Chapter-at-Large Scholarship Award, 2006 Laura Martin Scholarship Award, Duquesne University, 2006

Professional Organizations

International Society of Psychiatric Nurses

Maine Nurse Practitioners Association

Past-President, 2011-2012 President, 2010- 2011

President-Elect, 2009 -- 2010

Secretary, 2008 – 2009

Co-chair, Professional Development Committee, 2006 – 2008

Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing

1991 – present, Xi Chapter, University of Pennsylvania

1999 – present, Kappa Zeta, University of Southern Maine

Academic Service

School of Nursing

2019- present: Member, Graduate Curriculum and Admissions Committee

2020-present: Member, Peer Review Committee

University of Southern Maine

2020-present: Member, Faculty Senate

Community Service

2019-2020 Curtis Library volunteer 2017-2018 Mid Coast Hunger Prevention Saturday lunch volunteer 2006-2008 Volunteer, Oasis Free Health Clinic