

Bronze Award Recipient -

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Biographical Sketch

Since 1982, Dr. Skiba has taught nurses in the field of nursing informatics. Dr. Skiba currently is funded by the Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA) Division of Nursing Advanced Nurse Education Training grant to prepare nurses in the field of informatics. This grant supports their online Master's degree and post MS program targeted for educators and funds the I-Collaboratory, an innovative online community to support informatics learners.



Secretary Leavitt recently appointed her to the National Advisory Council on Nurse Education and Practice (NACNEP). NACNEP advises the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the U.S. Congress on policy issues related to the Title VIII programs administered by the HRSA Bureau of Health Professions Division of Nursing, including nurse workforce supply, education and practice improvement.

Dr. Skiba writes a column on Emerging Technologies for the National League for Nursing's *Nursing Educational Perspectives* journal. Dr. Skiba along with her colleagues, Drs. Helen Connors (University of Kansas), Diane Billings and Pamela Jeffries (Indiana University) and Mary Anne Rizzolo (NLN) were recently awarded one of the HRSA funded Faculty Development: Integrating Technology into Nursing Education and Practice Initiative grants. This five-year grant is targeted toward preparing faculty to learn about informatics, telehealth, simulations and other emerging educational technologies.

Dr. Skiba is an honorary member of Sigma Theta Tau and the American Academy of Nursing. In 2005, Dr. Skiba was awarded the National League for Nursing Excellence in Teaching Award and received a Bronze Award from the Online Journal of Nursing Informatics.