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## Nurses Driving Innovation and Impact

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## ***Friends & Colleagues,***

In celebration of National Nurses Month in May, this edition of *Science of Caring* honors the countless ways nurses lead with innovation and impact. From pioneering research, designing new systems of care, and advocating for change through policy, nurses are transforming health and the delivery of care.

In this *Science of Caring*, learn how a UCSF nurse scientist is harnessing emerging technology to design a more accurate heart monitoring system. Meet a school expert who is amplifying the expertise of nurses to drive policy development nationally and globally. And listen to our latest podcast episode to hear from a doctorally trained psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner about the clinical and educational interventions needed to improve mental health care for older adults.

This National Nurses Month, we honor the exceptional contributions and excellence of nurses everywhere. Nurses, thank you for all you do to improve the health and well-being of communities around the world.

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## [Catching Cardiac Danger Earlier and More Accurately](#)

Bedside monitors alert clinicians to dangerous heart rhythms, which can be an early sign of cardiac arrest. But monitors frequently cause false alarms, making it difficult for clinicians to determine when something is a real emergency. Michele Pelter is exploring the use of AI to create a smarter heart monitoring system that more accurately identifies life-threatening heart rhythms.



## [Listen: Rethinking Mental Health Care for Older Adults](#)

Kate Melino, an expert in the mental health care of older adults and adults with serious mental illness, talks about the clinical and educational interventions needed to ensure older adults receive high quality mental health care.



## [Meet a Nurse Advancing Health Worldwide](#)

Through leadership roles with the United Nations and the National Institutes of Health, Jerry John Ouner is committed to elevating nursing perspectives to advance scientific discovery, transform patient care, and drive policy development nationally and globally.



## Additional Features

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Angel Kuo is inducted into the National Academies of Practice. Sandra Weiss is inducted as a charter fellow of the International Society of Psychiatric Nursing. Jarmin Yeh is recognized by the American Society on Aging. Read about these and other milestones from our community.



## [These Nurses' Research Could Help Save You or Your Child's Life](#)

From airlifting acutely ill babies to adult diabetes education, UCSF clinical nurses are advancing innovations in care based on rigorous scientific research.



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