



Press Release

ACHNE MEMBERS INSTRUMENTAL IN DEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SCOPE AND STANDARDS OF PRACTICE

ACHNE leaders and members played an important role in the development of the third edition of *The Public Health Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice*, an essential document for every public health nurse practicing in the United States. The scope of practice statement answers the who, what, when, where, how, and why questions of public health nursing. The standards provide authoritative statements of the actions and behaviors that all registered public health nurses are expected to competently perform, regardless of role, population, specialty, and setting.

The product of extensive thought work by many registered nurses, this new edition provides 18 national standards of practice and professional performance for our specialty of public health nursing. Each standard is accompanied by detailed competencies for the three practice levels. This premier professional resource informs and guides public health nurses in their vital work providing safe, quality, and competent care. It is a must-have for every registered public health nurse.

ACHNE members who worked on this new publication are Workgroup Co-Chairs Susan Little and Susan Swider. Other ACHNE authors include Kathleen Andresen, Rosemary Chaudry, Jennifer Cooper, Kim Decker, Lori Edwards, Jennifer Morton, Christine Saltzberg, Claudia Smith and Florence Weierbach. Our ACHNE leaders have also contributed to previous editions. With this latest and innovative edition, ACHNE continues its legacy of leading influential work that impacts our specialty.

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