



# GLOBAL NURSING AI ALLIANCE

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## The Architecture of AI Ready Nursing

### A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



**Vanessa Riley**  
*President, GNAA*

The future of healthcare will not be shaped by technology alone. It will be shaped by the leaders who guide it.

This quarter marks a defining moment for the Global Nursing AI Alliance. We have expanded divisions, strengthened international partnerships, elevated global voices, and launched a leadership mentorship community designed to prepare nurses for governance in the age of artificial intelligence.

***We are not observing transformation. We are architecting it.***

## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



### Jody Harris

MSN, RN, CCS, CDIP, CCM, CPC-A

Jody Harris is a healthcare leader with a dual background in nursing and finance, specializing in clinical documentation improvement and performance optimization.

She is passionate about leveraging AI and emerging technologies to improve care delivery, strengthen clinical decision making, and advance nursing leadership through innovation.

GNAA is proud to highlight leaders who bridge clinical excellence with operational intelligence.



## ★ AI + NURSING ★

15+

Countries

6

Continents

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Impact

## DIVISION EXPANSION

We are proud to announce the official expansion of two new GNAA divisions:



### Women's Health

Division Director: Elizabeth Rochin PhD, RN, NEA-BC, C-ONQS



### Pediatrics

Division Director: Sheena Keding MSN, RN, CNS, ACCNS-P, CPHQ

These additions strengthen our commitment to ensuring AI governance frameworks are inclusive across the lifespan and responsive to maternal, pediatric, and gender specific health equity considerations.



## DIVISION SPOTLIGHT

### Acute Care and Surgery

#### Co-Directors:



Sharonda Davis



Robylin Diya

#### Department Chairs:



Amy Holton



Clair Hast

#### Upcoming Program: AI in High-Stakes Nursing: Essentials for Acute & Surgical Bedside Leaders

A practical, scenario-based education series for nurses working in perioperative, ICU, ED, PACU, and acute medical-surgical environments.

The goal is to give nurses a clear understanding of how AI is showing up in their workflows, how to use it safely, and how to recognize when something is off—especially issues tied to bias or population differences.

**Target Environments: Perioperative • ICU • Emergency Department • PACU • Acute Medical-Surgical Units**

◆ **EXPANDING GLOBAL LEADERSHIP** ◆

*Building AI governance frameworks across continents*

**GLOBAL AMBASSADOR ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Please welcome our Brazil Ambassador**

DR. FAILA SANTOS DNP, FNP BC, LSSBB



Brazil is now represented within our international governance network as we continue expanding across South America. 🇧🇷

Dr. Santos is a Doctor of Nursing Practice and Board-Certified Family Nurse Practitioner with a Master's Degree in Health Technologies focused on Medical Informatics. She completed advanced specialization in **Artificial Intelligence in Healthcare at Stanford University** and is a **Lean Six Sigma Black Belt**.

With nearly two decades of executive leadership across the United States and Brazil, she has served as Chief Clinical Officer and Vice President of Clinical Operations, leading enterprise clinical transformation, digital strategy, and KPI-driven governance frameworks.

Her expertise spans EHR optimization, workflow redesign, digital maturity initiatives aligned with HIMSS, and system-level informatics leadership. She has served as an Epic Super User at Carilion Clinic and AdventHealth and brings deep operational and academic experience integrating technology into nursing education.

Currently, she serves as a **Clinical AI Expert**, contributing to the training and evaluation of healthcare AI systems with a focus on safety validation, reasoning integrity, and responsible deployment.



## AI GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK

Building bridges between clinical expertise, ethical oversight, technological innovation, and patient-centered care

### STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS

**GNAA is proud to announce strategic partnerships with ChartwellAI and NurseTech Africa.**

Together, we are building pathways from architecture to application and empowering the next generation of nurse leaders.



#### **NurseTech Africa Partnership**

Based in Nigeria, NurseTech Africa is committed to empowering young nurses and students to drive sustainable impact through technology. This partnership strengthens GNAA's presence across the African continent and supports grassroots innovation in nursing informatics.

## GLOBAL REPRESENTATION

### Dr. Celia McIntosh

DIVISION DIRECTOR OF HEALTH EQUITY AND POLICY



Presented at the 45th Annual International Nursing and Midwifery Research and Education Conference in Dublin, Ireland. 🇮🇪

**Her presentation: *Health Equity in the Age of Algorithms: Reimagining AI Policy Through a Nursing Lens***, challenged us to confront one of the most pressing issues in healthcare innovation today.

As artificial intelligence reshapes diagnostics, predictive analytics, and workflow systems, Dr. McIntosh reminded us that algorithms are not neutral. They reflect the data, systems, and histories from which they are built. Without intentional governance, AI risks perpetuating racial, socioeconomic, and structural inequities in care delivery.

Through a nursing and policy lens, she called on nurses to serve as ethical gatekeepers and policy leaders shaping transparent, accountable, and equitable AI systems. Her emphasis on integrating health equity into digital governance and advancing a **Health Equity by Design** framework reflects exactly why nurse-led AI leadership matters.

**EMPOWERING NURSES**

*To lead the AI revolution in healthcare*

## AI REGULATORY LEADERSHIP



### Attorney Jason Scott

ADVISOR, AI REGULATORY AFFAIRS

Presented at the Healthcare AI Summit hosted by the New York City Bar Association.

## + TRANSFORMING HEALTHCARE THROUGH AI GOVERNANCE +



### Mission

Leading ethical AI integration



### Vision

Global nursing excellence



### Innovation

Shaping the future

 **Did You Know?**

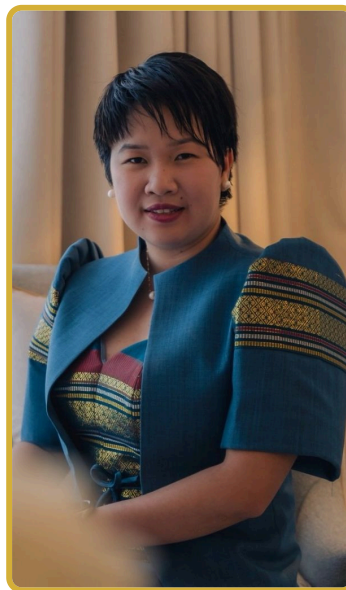
GNAA now represents over 15 countries across 6 continents, bringing together nurses, informaticists, and AI experts to shape the future of healthcare technology governance.

**UNITED KINGDOM WEBINAR FEATURE**

**Fixing the Foundation Before AI Scales**

PRESENTED BY UK AMBASSADOR ROBYLIN DIYA

Organized by UK Digital Health and Care. 



This session focused on addressing the **nursing foundational data gap**, and introduced scientific work on defining a **Minimum Core International Nursing Data Set (MCINDS)**. The discussion highlighted how standardized nursing data underpins interoperability, trustworthy analytics, and the safe, responsible scaling of clinical AI.



**DATA-DRIVEN DECISIONS**

Standardized nursing data is the foundation for trustworthy AI

## RESEARCH IN ACTION



### Cory Sessum

DIRECTOR OF ONCOLOGY

Presented his dissertation research examining burnout among operating room nurses.

## GNAA AT VIVE 2026



### Clair Hast

DEPARTMENT CHAIR, AI SYSTEMS AND INTEROPERABILITY EVALUATION  
ACUTE CARE AND SURGERY DIVISION

Represented GNAA leadership at VIVE 2026.

## NEW INITIATIVE

### GNAA Launches Leadership Mentorship Community

Cultivating AI-ready nurse leaders across regions and specialties.



#### FREE to all GNAA leaders and members

GNAA has partnered with **UpNotch**, an AI-powered mentorship platform, to provide our members with access to a thriving network of professionals who believe in sharing knowledge to grow together.

Through this platform, GNAA members can connect with mentors and peers to navigate AI governance challenges, advance their leadership skills, and contribute to shaping the future of nursing in the age of artificial intelligence.

*"Be a mentor. Find a mentor. Upnotch is a thriving network of professionals, powered by AI, who believe in sharing knowledge to grow together."*

## LEADERSHIP ACHIEVEMENTS



### **Congratulations, Anthony Conti!**

**MBA, BSN, RN**

GNAA Director of Marketing, Sales & Strategic Partnerships

The Global Nursing AI Alliance celebrates your approval as **President Elect for 2026, and President for 2027**, of the **American Nursing Informatics Association Greater Delaware Valley Chapter**.

***Well-deserved recognition for exceptional leadership!***

### **Thank You to Our Members**

Your dedication to advancing AI governance in nursing drives our mission forward.

Interested in a membership spotlight or want to join or form a committee?

**Contact us at: [contact@globalnursingaialliance.com](mailto:contact@globalnursingaialliance.com)**