Jonas Scholars: A valuable resource for you

The Future of Nursing: Campaign for Action is excited to make available for you a valuable resource for your Action Coalition work.

You may have heard of Jonas Scholars. They’re registered nurses working on their PhD or Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP). These nurse scholars are required to complete a leadership project that incorporates recommendations from the Institute of Medicine’s (IOM) report, The Future of Nursing: Leading Change, Advancing Health.

At this moment, there are 300 Jonas Scholars exploring their topics, and this is a great opportunity to involve them in a meaningful part of your Action Coalition’s work.

Jonas Scholars have made significant contributions to Action Coalitions in past years.

Consider: Jonas Scholars have developed Action Coalition websites; promoted Action Coalition work in published articles; created communication plans; assumed leadership roles in Action Coalition work groups; established diversity groups and coordinated grant proposals.

The Future of Nursing: Campaign for Action is working with the Jonas Center to connect scholars to Action Coalitions, and you may get a call from one.

Or, if you want to reach out and connect with a Jonas Scholar or learn more about the program, contact Cathy Rick, senior advisor for nursing leadership at the Jonas Center for Nursing and Veterans Healthcare (Cathy.rick@jonascenter.org). You can also work with the Campaign's Jonas Scholar consultant, Eileen Shake (ccna.eshake@gmail.com) to facilitate a productive relationship between a Jonas Scholar and your Action Coalition.

Lastly, you can learn more by watching a webinar the Center to Champion Nursing in America hosted, called "A Program for Action Coalitions: Jonas Scholars A Valuable Resource." This webinar provides tips on how to engage Jonas Scholars in your work.

Be sure to take advantage of this valuable resource.