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Education

PhD December, 2014	Nursing University of Connecticut	Storrs, CT
Graduate M.S. 1989-1994	Organizational Behavior - Magna Cum Laude University of Hartford	Bloomfield, CT
Graduate B.S.N. 1975-1977	Nursing - Summa Cum Laude University of Hartford	Bloomfield, CT
Graduate A.S.N. 1973-1975	Nursing Vermont College	Montpelier, VT

Licensure

Current CT RN license R27778
ANCC Certification # 2010009135

Employment

August 23, 2016	Associate Clinical Professor University of Connecticut School of Nursing	Storrs, CT
2011-2016	Assistant Clinical Professor University of Connecticut School of Nursing	Storrs, CT
2006-2011	Clinical Instructor / Behavioral Health University of Connecticut School of Nursing	Storrs, CT
1998-Present	Clinical Staff/Behavioral Health Inpatient/Outpatient, Clinical Day Program ECHN-Manchester Memorial Hospital	Manchester, CT
1988- 1999	Utilization Review, Case Management	

**Utilization Review, Case Management
United Health Care Hartford ,CT**

**1986-1998 Teacher -Medical Assistant Program
Hartford Secretarial School Hartford, CT**

**1982-1985 Staff/Charge Nurse Behavioral Health Unit
UConn Health Center/John Dempsey Hospital Farmington, CT**

**1977-1982 Staff Nurse/Nurse Supervisor
Institute of Living Hartford, CT**

Demonstrated Research Experience

Multiple Case Study – December, 2009 to June, 2010 (funded)

Graduate Research Assistant to Dr. Deborah Shelton on a study where I collected and analyzed data on symptom pattern of inmates with mental illness and co-occurring substance abuse utilizing the Vulnerability-Stress Model as adapted to the corrections population. Findings were written as a descriptive qualitative study.

UCIG Grant Research Assistant – January, 2009 to December, 2009 (funded)

Graduate Assistant to Dr. Deborah Shelton on a TIMA II study involving the analysis of the medication algorithms used in the treatment of incarcerated women with Bipolar Disorder.

CT SBIRT SAMHSA GRANT – September, 2015 to December, 2018 (funded)

Lead Coordinator for UConn School of Nursing on this inter-professional SAMHSA grant, The CT SBIRT Health Professionals Training Program (CT HPTP) plans to implement and evaluate evidence-based SBIRT training with a diverse set of approximately 850 (300 annually) students enrolled in UConn's medical, dental, nursing and affiliated dental hygiene programs over the 3-year grant period. The training program addresses workforce development by increasing the number of students and faculty trained with tailored, evidence-based curriculum as measured by knowledge objectives.

Connecticut Institute for Clinical and Translational Science (CICATS) – April, 2016 (funded)

A member of the Core Interest Group awarded \$14,853 for a team proposal *Self-care Management among Post-incarcerated Persons*. The Correctional Research Interest Group (RIG) aims to establish a nurse-designed transitional care program for people with chronic diseases upon reentry to this community. This program (CareLink-C) will use a competency approach to communicate evidence-based information, and then practice skills so that participants can take better care of themselves. The Correctional RIG will be exploring if outcomes improve following the self-care management intervention, and if service networks are strengthened by the partnership.

15th Anniversary CANS/Partners Grant – August, 2016 to December, 2017 (Submitted)

This grant application a special research grant is being offered for nurse scientists who have completed their PhD but who have not yet received a NIH RO1 or comparable research award. The 15th Anniversary grant of \$15,000 is made possible through the contributions of the Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science and its organizational partners (ANF, ENRS, MNRS, SNRS, STTI, and WIN)

Publications

Maruca, A. T. & Shelton, D. (2016). Correctional nursing interventions for incarcerated persons with mental disorders: An integrative review. *Issues in Mental Health Nursing*, 00, 1-8. DOI: 10.3109/01612840.2016.1145308

Maruca, A. T. & Shelton, D. (2016). Utilization of a biopsychosocial vulnerability-stress model of mental illness in a corrections populations: A case study. *Journal of Evidence-base Practice in Correctional Health*. In print.

Maruca, A. T. & Shelton, D. (2015). Addressing methodological issues in correctional health research: a case study.” *Journal of Forensic Nursing*, 11(2), 188-120. Doi: 10.1097/JFN.0000000000000071

Maruca, A. T. & Shelton, D. (2015). A booster intervention in a Connecticut correctional institution: a pilot study.” *Journal of Nursing & Health Sciences*, 2(2), 1-9

Maruca, A.T. & Shelton, D. (2015). A systematic review of treatment programs for offenders with mental illness: proposing a booster treatment intervention. *Journal of Correctional Health Care*. Manuscript submitted for publication.

Maruca, A.T., Kuhnly, J.E., Diaz, D.A., & Jeffries, P.R. (2015). A content analysis of the simulated ostomy experience in undergraduate nurses.” *Nursing Education Perspective*, 36(6), 287-291. Doi: 10.5480/15-1578

Judge, M. P., Polifroni, E. C., Maruca, A. T., Hobson, M. E., Leschak, A., & Zakewicz, H. (2015). Evaluation of students’ receptiveness and response to an interprofessional learning activity across health care disciplines: An approach toward team development in healthcare. *International Journal of Nursing Sciences*, 2, 93-98.

Diaz, D. A., Maruca, A. T., Kuhnly, J. E., Jeffries, P. R., & Grabon, N. (2015). Creating caring and empathic nurses: A simulated ostomate. *Clinical Simulation in Nursing*, 11(12), 513-518.

Maruca, A.T. & Diaz, D.M. (2013). Does simulation enhance undergraduate psychiatric nursing education? A formative assessment. *Advances in Dual Diagnosis*, (6)1, 14-23 Doi: 10.1108/17570971311308999

Ehret, M. Shelton, D., Barta, W., Trestman, R., Maruca, A., Kamath, J., & Golan, L. (2013). Medication adherence among female inmates with Bipolar Disorder: Results from a randomized controlled trial. *Psychological Services*, 10(1), 106-114. Doi: 10.1037/a0031433

Consultation

August, 2012 – SLS for Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing, Elsevier Inc.
Author of two psychiatric mental health simulation scenarios

Presentations

Annual INASCL Conference – June 15 -18, 2016 (Paper & Poster)

Kuhnly, J.E., Diaz, D.A., & Maruca, A.T. (2015). “Use of an Experiential Simulation Assignment to Improve Undergraduate Nursing Students’ Empathic and Caring Behaviors.

28th ENRS Annual Scientific Sessions – April 13-15, 2016 (Paper)

Symposium: Nursing Research's Efforts to Enhance Health Equity at the Interface of the Criminal Justice System.

27th Annual ENRS Scientific Sessions – April 16, 2015 (Poster)

Maruca, A.T. & Shelton, D. (2015) "A Booster Intervention in a Correctional Institution: A Pilot Study"

Annual INASCL Conference – June 10 -13, 2015 (Paper)

Kuhnly, J.E., Diaz, D.A., & Maruca, A.T. (2015). "Use of an Experiential Simulation Assignment to Improve Undergraduate Nursing Students' Empathic and Caring Behaviors.

Athena Research Conference – April 2015 (Poster)

Maruca, A.T. (2015) "A Booster Intervention in a Correctional Institution: A Pilot Study"

Annual INASCL Conference – June 19-21, 2014 (poster)

Maruca, A. T., Diaz, D. A., & Kuhnly, J. E. (2014) "The Roller Coaster Ride of Blending Clinical Practice and Academia"

Athena Research Conference – April 2014

Diaz, D. A., Kuhnly, J. E. & Maruca, A. T. (2014). "The Roller Coaster Ride of Blending Clinical Practice and Academia"

26th Annual ENRS Scientific Sessions – April 10, 2014 (Podium)

Maruca, A. T., & Shelton, D., (2014) "Correctional nursing interventions for incarcerated persons with mental disorders: A systematic review"

107th Annual CNA Convention – Connecticut Nurses' Association

Espelin, J. M., & Maruca, A. T. (2013) "Hearing voices: Classroom simulation in undergraduate nursing education at Central Connecticut State University and the University of Connecticut"

41st Biennial Convention, Sigma Theta Tau (poster)

Maruca, A.T. (2011) "Home at Last: U.S. Military Nurses Transition to Civilian Practice."

Simulation in Healthcare: Where No One has gone Before – Drexel University

Maruca, A.T. & Diaz, D.A. (2012) "What Can You See with CIWA?"

Simulation in Healthcare: Where No One has gone Before – Drexel University

Diaz, D.A. & Maruca, A.T. (2012) "Simulation Mania: Bringing Psychiatric Scenarios into the Curriculum."

106th Annual CNA Convention – Connecticut Nurses' Association

Espelin, J.M. & Maruca, A.T. (2012) "Modeling Therapeutic Communication in the Classroom: A Triad Approach."

International Poster Presentation – Spring, 2011 Hong Kong

Díaz, D.A., Allchin, L., Kuhnly, J., Maruca, A., & Panosky, D. The New Horizon: A Simulated Eight Hour Work Day. Asia-Pacific Association Simulation and Clinical Learning, Hong Kong, China, May

2011

3rd Annual Arthur E. Schwarting Symposium, UCONN, May 30, 2013

Marvasti, J. A. (Presenter only), Maruca, A. & Ehret, M. (Presenters and Panel Discussion members)
“Pocket Guide to Psychiatric Medication-Related Problems: What Every Health Care Professional Should Know.”

Guest Lecturer – 2008 to 2011

- Guest speaker for “End of Life” undergraduate course presenting the topic of Suicide as it relates to end of life.

Grants

Role: Deborah Shelton, PI, Annette T Maruca, Co-Investigator Team Member

Grant Title: *Self-care Management among Post-incarcerated Persons*

Funding Agency: Connecticut Institute for Clinical and Translational Science (CICATS)

Funding Status: Funded

Funds Received: \$14,853

Duration: April, 2016

Role: Annette T Maruca, PI, Deborah Shelton, Co-Investigator, UConn, School of Nursing, Donna Zucker, Co-Investigator, UMass-Amherst

Grant Title: *Self-care management instrument development for a corrections population*

Funding Agency: Council for the Advancement of Nursing Science (CANS)

Funding Status: Submission

Funds Received: \$15,000

Duration: August, 2016 – December, 2017 (18 months)

Role: UConn, School of Nursing Champion, Annette T Maruca, PI, Dr. Bonnie McRee, UCHC, Department of Community Medicine and Health Care (September, 2015)

Grant Title: *CT Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) Health Professions Training Program*

Funding Agency: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

Funding Status: Funded

Funds Received: \$59,458

Duration: September 2015 – September 2018

Role: PI, Annette T Maruca, co-PI, Deborah Shelton (September, 2013)

Grant Title: *Survey of Correctional Nurse Stress and Workplace Safety and Injury*”

Funding Agency: Center for the Promotion of Health in the New England Workplace (CPH-NEW)

Funding Status: Not funded

Funds Requested: \$10,000 A small research grant under the sponsorship of the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), under the Pilot Projects grant program.

Role: PI, PI, Deborah Shelton, co-PI Annette T. Maruca (February, 2013)

Grant Title: “A booster intervention to sustain treatment gains and to support community reentry in a Connecticut Correctional Institute: A Pilot Study”.

Funding Agency: Sigma Theta Tau International Grant, Mu chapter

Funding Status: Funded

Funds Received: \$1,000
Duration: May 2013 – December, 2014

Reviews

Reviewer for JEPCH x 2

Invited reviewer for manuscript (declined)
Maruca, A. T. (2014). Advances in Dual Diagnosis journal

Invited reviewer for manuscript ID ADD-1102013-0027 (accepted)
Maruca, A. T. (2013). Advances in Dual Diagnosis journal

Service

Inter-professional Education Committee: May, 2013 to June, 2014

Committee Member, Sigma Theta Tau, International – April 3, 2009, Rocky Hill, CT.
“Restoring the Heart and Soul of Nursing: Caritas Nursing for a New Era”
Speaker: Jean Watson

Sigma Theta Tau International – Mu chapter Delegate (2011 – 2013)

Honors

2009 Pre-doctoral Fellowship Award, University of Connecticut School of Nursing, Storrs, CT
2011 Sigma Theta Tau International Society of Nursing
2012 Sigma Theta Tau International, Mu Chapter – Grant funding of \$1,000
2013 School of Nursing, Pinning Speaker
2014 Florence Nightingale Award, University of Connecticut School of Nursing
2014 CEIN_BS School of Nursing, Graduation Speaker
2015 Sigma Theta Tau International, Mu Chapter – Doctoral Award
2015 SAMHSA grant with UConn Health Center
2016 School of Nursing, Pinning Speaker
2016 Poster accepted for “Professor’s Rounds” at INASCL conference

Service to School and Profession

2011 - 2013 – collaboratively work with DHMAS on “Hearing Voices” for nursing students

Professional Organization

Active Membership

- Sigma Theta Tau, International
- NLN member ID 441854
- ANA & APNA – 2013
- CAN - 2013
- International Association of Nurses - 2011
- AACN Member: 10701