

## About Bruce C. Vladeck

- Most recently, Senior Health Policy Advisor and East Coast Director for the Academic Medical Center service line at Ernst & Young's Health Sciences Advisory Services
- Member, New York City Board of Health
- Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Primary Care Development Corporation
- Trustee of the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation
- Editorial Board member of *Health Affairs*
- Before Ernst & Young, Professor of Health Policy and Geriatrics at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York
- 2005: Robert M. Ball Award of the National Academy of Social Insurance, among many honors received
- 1997: Appointed by President Bill Clinton to the National Bipartisan Commission on the Future of Medicare
- 1993-1997: Administrator of the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), directing Medicare and Medicaid programs
- 1995: National Public Service Award
- 1986: Elected to the National Academy of Sciences; Chaired the Committee on Health Care for Homeless People at its Institute of Medicine
- 1982-1983: Assistant Vice President of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation in Princeton
- 1979-1982: Assistant Commissioner of the New Jersey State Department of Health
- 1980: *Unloving Care: The Nursing Home Tragedy* (Basic Books), perhaps his most notable book among many books and articles published
- 1974-1979: Faculty member, Columbia University; taught public health and political science
- President of the United Hospital Fund of New York for ten years
- Education: BA, *magna cum laude*, from Harvard College (1970); MA (1972) and PhD (1973) in Political Science from the University of Michigan

## Vladeck Becomes Interim President



Dr. Bruce C. Vladeck was appointed interim president by the University's Board of Trustees on March 2. He was on the job in the Bergen Building on the Newark campus by March 8. "To be honest," Dr. Vladeck admitted in his first message to the University community, "many of my friends and colleagues asked me why I would take on such a position during this time of upheaval and uncertainty. My answer is simply this—I believe that UMDNJ is a vitally important institution for the people of New Jersey and the nation, and that its many outstanding faculty, students, and staff deserve assistance in getting past some serious and very real problems. I hope to provide that assistance."

Dr. Vladeck came to UMDNJ from Ernst & Young's Health Science Advisory Services, where he was Senior

Health Policy Advisor and directed the East Coast operation of the firm's Academic Medical Center service line. His focus was helping AMCs with complex issues relating to risk management, compliance, finance, and capital planning.

He will be putting that background to work. "I want to make it clear that while I am interim president my stewardship of this institution will not be passive," he said. "Over the coming days, weeks, and months I will actively engage in changing those things that need to be changed, while seeking to protect those things that need to be protected."

Dr. Vladeck promises to listen to campus concerns as plans are developed for the University's future. In fact, he encourages faculty, staff, and students to send him an email or "drop a note" if there is something he should know or do. He makes it clear that mutual accountability is a priority. "As we implement needed changes," he notes, "I will hold people accountable for decisions they make and actions they take." He expects to be held accountable for his actions as well.

## Corzine: Putting UMDNJ Back on Track

Governor Jon S. Corzine spoke to hundreds of faculty, staff and students at a video-conferenced Town Hall Meeting broadcast live from Piscataway on March 2 to Newark, Stratford, Camden and Scotch Plains. After addressing many of the challenges ahead for UMDNJ, he vowed to "do all the things we need to put the university back on track."

After his remarks, the Governor devoted nearly an hour to answer a wide range of questions from the audience. Corzine's attention to UMDNJ has been widely interpreted as a positive sign for the University's future.

Governor Corzine also introduced Dr. Bruce C. Vladeck to UMDNJ for the first time. Vladeck had been named Interim President by the University's Board of Trustees earlier in the day.



Governor Jon S. Corzine speaks to a standing-room only audience in Piscataway and hundreds others at remote locations. He promised to make healthcare one of his priorities in establishing this year's state budget.



Governor Jon S. Corzine, left, Dr. Denise V. Rodgers and Interim UMDNJ President Dr. Bruce C. Vladeck prepare for the Town Hall Meeting.



A UMDNJ student questions the Governor about UMDNJ's future.



Dr. Denise V. Rodgers, vice president and chief of staff at UMDNJ, welcomes Governor Jon S. Corzine to the Town Hall Meeting where the Governor addressed the challenges ahead for the University. Dr. Rodgers moderated the discussion.

## UMDNJ Scientists Garner Funding for Stem Cell Research

Seven scientists from UMDNJ were among 17 New Jersey researchers to receive funding from the \$5 million Stem Cell Research Grant Program, launched by former Governor Richard J. Codey. Each researcher will receive \$300,000 over the next two years.

The grants have been awarded for promising research using human embryonic stem cells, mouse embryonic stem cells and "adult" stem cells. The funded proposals address diverse, fundamental questions about how stem cells work; how to use stem cells for treating conditions such as heart disease, brain injury, spinal cord injury, and autoimmune diseases; and how to advance New Jersey's position as a leader in stem cell research.

The researchers from Robert Wood Johnson Medical School are Randall McKinnon, PhD, associate professor of surgery; Richard Nowakowski, PhD, professor of neuroscience and cell biology; Ling Qin, PhD, instructor of physiology and biophysics; Monica Roth, PhD, professor of biochemistry; Michael Shen, PhD, professor of pediatrics and associate director of The Child Health Institute of New Jersey, and resident member of the Center for Advanced Biotechnology and Medicine; and Yufang Shi, DVM, PhD, professor of molecular genetics, microbiology, and immunology; and from New Jersey Medical School, Junichi Sadoshima, MD, PhD, professor of cell biology and molecular medicine and director of the Center for Molecular Biology.

The program, announced December 16, by the New Jersey Commission on Science and Technology, makes New Jersey the first state in the nation to publicly fund human embryonic stem cell research.

## NJMS Physician & GSBS Students Update Teachers on Stem Cell Research

As part of the Liberty Science Center's "Frontiers in Science Series for Teacher Connection," Pranela Rameshwar, PhD, associate professor in the Department of Medicine at New Jersey Medical School, and six graduate students from the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, recently discussed current stem cell research with 30 elementary and middle school teachers from Abbott school districts, the target audience for the series.

The genesis of this particular event, the second in the series, resulted from a partnership between UMDNJ and the Liberty Science Center this past summer that brought science teachers to the Newark campus to spend a day with researchers from a wide range of fields.

The goal was to bring together scientists conducting cutting-edge research and science educators who are eager to learn both new content and effective teaching practices to help make their own classes more dynamic and perhaps inspire some students to consider pursuing a career in science.

## SPH Faculty Publishes Research Study

Faculty members from the School of Public Health have published a new research study cited by the journal as one of the three most important and influential papers ever published in the field of nicotine epidemiology. Jonathan Foulds, PhD, associate professor, Behavioral Science and Health Education, and director, Tobacco Dependence Program, Michael Burke, EdD, MHS, assistant pro-

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## Amenta Named Interim Dean of Robert Wood Johnson Medical School

Peter S. Amenta, MD, PhD, professor and chair in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School (RWJMS), has been approved by the UMDNJ Board of Trustees to serve as interim dean of the school. He is replacing outgoing dean, Harold L. Paz, MD, who has accepted the position of senior vice president of health affairs, dean of the College of Medicine, and chief executive officer of the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center at Penn State.

Recommended by Interim President Dr. Bruce C. Vladeck, Dr. Amenta has been a member of The RWJMS faculty since 1989, serving as chair of the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine since 1998. During that time the department has doubled in size and has expanded its clinical, research and educational programs.

Since 1994, Dr. Amenta has served as the residency program director and chief of the pathology service at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, the school's primary teaching hospital. His department has clinical oversight responsibilities at Bayshore Community Hospital, Southern Ocean County Hospital and Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Hamilton, while

being responsible for the state HIV rapid testing program.

For the past eight years, he has served as chair of the Performance Improvement Committee at the hospital and as senior vice president of Medical Affairs and as the chief of staff since 2002. Dr. Amenta is also director of The Cancer Institute of New Jersey's Immunohistochemistry Shared Resource and a member of the Institute's Scientific Council and Internal Advisory Board.

"I take great pleasure in recommending Dr. Amenta for the position as interim dean," says Dr. Vladeck. "His commitment to excellence, on behalf of his patients and students, will ensure the school continues to fulfill its critical role in serving the people of New Jersey as a premier healthcare, research and educational facility. I was particularly impressed by the role he has played working with our clinical partners, an experience on which I'm sure Dr. Amenta will continue to build."



# Kean University and UMDNJ Healthy Together

1:30 p.m. Keynote Speaker  
**Dr. Jeff Levine**  
Contestant on TV's Biggest Loser  
[Click here to visit his website.](#)

Enjoy an afternoon of  
**SPORTS and EXERCISE**

Sunday, April 23, 2006

1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Guest Speakers:  
Andrea Berez, RD, M.S.  
Marc Klapholz, M.D.  
Norman Lasser, M.D., Ph.D.  
Gia Rosenblum, Ph.D.



### Event Times:

#### Yoga classes

2:45 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.  
3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

#### Cool Down with Crafts

1 p.m. to 4 p.m.  
A crafts area available for kids of all ages. Join us in the Harwood Arena for some heart healthy fun.



All participants must wear sneakers to events held in the Arena. In addition to the athletic events, there will be an area for Cool Down Crafts for all ages.

All participants must register at Harwood Arena beginning at 1 p.m.

# UMDNJ Welcomes New Board Members

Governor Jon S. Corzine appointed former Attorney General Robert J. Del Tufo chair of the UMDNJ Board of Trustees, after he and Oliver B. Quinn, chief ethics officer for Prudential Financial, were confirmed for board seats by the State Senate on March 20. Both were sworn in at the March 21 Board meeting. They joined a third new board member, Anthony P. Terracciano, who was sworn in on March 2.

Robert J. Del Tufo was state Attorney General from 1990 to 1993 and U.S. Attorney for New Jersey from 1977 to 1980. He has also held positions as director of New Jersey's Division of Criminal Justice, First Assistant Morris County Prosecutor, a member of the State Commission of Investigation and a member of the Board of Bar Examiners.

An undergraduate at Princeton University, Del Tufo received his law degree from Yale University Law School. He is the chairman of the Daytop Village Foundation and a member of various other charitable boards including Integrity, Inc., Legal Services of New Jersey, the National College of District Attorneys, and the Northeast Region Boys and Girls Clubs of America.

"I thank the Governor and the Senate for their confidence in nominating and confirming me as Chairman of the Board of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey," said Del Tufo. "I shall use my best efforts to meet their expectations. This is a marvelous teaching, research and clinical service institution with an outstanding professional staff."

Oliver B. Quinn is vice president and chief business ethics officer at Prudential Financial. He previously held the position of vice president of compliance at Prudential, in which he developed and managed regulatory compliance programs. Prior to joining Prudential in November of 1995, Quinn held various positions, which include deputy solicitor of labor at the U.S. Department of Labor in Washington, D.C. and deputy commissioner at the New Jersey Department of Labor.

Quinn has also served as counsel/chief of staff at the New Jersey Department of Public Advocate, executive director of the Urban League of Essex County, assistant counsel for the Judiciary Committee of the U.S. House of Representatives, and assistant dean at Rutgers University Law School in Newark. He began

his career as a civil rights enforcement attorney with the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare. He received a master's degree in political science from Syracuse University and earned his law degree at Rutgers Law School.

"I hope to use my experience and knowledge to help create an environment that reinforces the importance of business integrity and places a premium on doing what is right," Quinn said.

Anthony P. Terracciano is a businessman with an extensive background in banking and finance. He earned a bachelor's degree in economics from St. Peter's College in 1960, and a master's degree in philosophy from Fordham University in 1962. He is the former chair of the Board of Directors of Riggs National Corporation and served as vice chairman of the Board of Directors of American Water Works Company Inc. from 1997 until January 2003. From July 2000 to January 2002, he was chair of Dime Bancorp. Prior to that, he was president of First Union Corporation; chair and chief executive officer of First Fidelity Bancorp; president of Mellon Bank Corporation; and vice chair of Chase Manhattan Bank.

He is currently a member of the Board of Directors of Avaya, Inc., Knoll Inc., and IKON Office Solutions. He is a member of the Board of Trustees for Monmouth Medical Center and serves on the New Jersey State Investment Council.

"I'm pleased and honored to be serving on this board as it embarks on a new chapter of service to this great state," said Terracciano. "I look forward to working with the current board members, former Attorney General Robert Del Tufo and other new trustees upon their confirmation, as well as the entire university community, as we work to ensure that UMDNJ once again receives the respect it so richly deserves."



Robert J. Del Tufo



Anthony P. Terracciano



Oliver B. Quinn

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fessor, and liaison, New Jersey Quit Center, and colleagues from two national tobacco programs in Sweden reviewed evidence that showed the availability of moist smokeless tobacco (snus), a considerably less harmful form of tobacco, has contributed to the unusually low rates of smoking among Swedish men.

### SN and Rowan University Partnership Graduates First Student

Sheryl Timpanelli, a 32-year-old mother of two, is the first student to graduate from the School of Nursing (SN) and Rowan University's RN-to-BSN program. Introduced two years ago, the program allows registered nurses to earn a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree while studying at Rowan's campus, taking courses taught by both Rowan and SN faculty.

Timpanelli entered the program with an associate's degree from Our Lady of Lourdes School of Nursing. She was nine months pregnant with her second son Christopher when she finished in January with a perfect 4.0 GPA, which earned her the "Rowan University Medallion Award."

"It was very hard to juggle schoolwork with my family," she says. "I could not have done it without my husband, Nicholas. He and the rest of my family were very supportive."

Her professor, Barbara Benjamin, EdD, RNC, associate professor and on-site coordinator for the RN-to-BSN Program, said Sheryl was an inspiration to her classmates.

"Her steadfastness, intelligence and diligence in pursuing her goal of receiving a bachelor's degree in nursing while raising a family set a tremendous example for everyone."

Timpanelli currently works at Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital and plans to enroll in the Family Nurse Practitioner track of the Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) program at the SN. For information on UMDNJ's undergraduate programs, contact Victor Marques at 973-972-7445 or email [marquevm@umdnj.edu](mailto:marquevm@umdnj.edu). For information on graduate programs, contact Debra Savage at 973-972-9245 or email [savageda@umdnj.edu](mailto:savageda@umdnj.edu).

## 'Round Campus

The deadline for submitting items is the first of every month. Fax to April Coage-Davis at (973) 972-7272

### New Jersey Medical School

#### Grants

- **John Reeves, PhD**, professor and vice chair, Pharmacology & Physiology, awarded a three-year, **\$1,555,000** grant from the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute for "Regulation of the Cardiac Na/C."
- **Cathy Spatz Widom, PhD**, professor, Psychiatry, awarded a five-year, **\$1.84 million** grant from the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation through The Foundation of UMDNJ for her research.
- **Yatani Atsuko, PhD**, professor, Cell Biology and Molecular Medicine, awarded a three-year, **\$1,555,000** grant from the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute for "Burn Injury Cardiac Dysfunction."
- **Diego Cadavid, MD**, assistant professor, Neurology & Neuroscience, awarded one-year, **\$374,873** grant from the National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke for "Interaction of Borrelia Lipopr."

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- **Jianxin Sun, MD, MS, PhD**, assistant professor, Cell Biology & Molecular Medicine, awarded a three-year, **\$260,000** grant from the American Heart Association for “Endothelial Nitric Oxide Synth.”
- **Mukund Modak, PhD**, professor, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, awarded a two-year, **\$427,625** grant from the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases for “Studies of DNA Pol I and Pol E.”
- **Christophe Depre, MD, PhD**, associate professor, Cell Biology and Molecular Medicine, awarded a one-year, **\$500,000** grant from the American Heart Association for “Cardiac Cell Survival in Heart.”
- **Csaba Szabo, MD, PhD**, adjunct professor, Surgery, awarded a **\$349,875** grant from the NIH for “Dysfunction in Diabetes-TRANS.”

### School of Health Related Professions

#### Honors

- **Susan Edmond, MA**, associate professor, Developmental & Rehabilitative Sciences, received a Fellowship from the United States Bone and Joint Decade through its Young Investigators Initiative. This fellowship provides an opportunity to work with experienced researchers to assist the fellows in securing funding for their research initiatives.
- **Susan Gould Fogerite, PhD**, director, Research for ICAM, named co-chair of the Research Working Group of the Consortium of Academic Health Centers for Integrative Medicine at the Consortium’s annual meeting in December 2005.

#### Publications

- “Strict Rules Determine Arrangement of Strands in Beta Proteins,” by **Alexander Kister, PhD**, assistant professor, Health Informatics, in *Proceeding National Academy of Sciences USA* (section Biophysics) 2006: Vol. 103, No.11, 4107-4110.
- “Weighing the Evidence: Energy Determinations Across the Spectrum of Kidney Disease,” by **Laura Byham-Gray, PhD, RD, CNSD**, assistant professor, Clinical Nutrition, in *Journal of Renal Nutrition*, Vol. 16, No.1, 2006.
- “Persons with Multiple Sclerosis,” by **John DeLuca, PhD**, professor, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, in *Archives of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation*, Vol. 86.

### Robert Wood Johnson Medical School

#### Grants

- **Tulin Budak-Alpdogan**, The Cancer Institute of New Jersey, awarded a three-year, **\$678,717** grant from the Lymphoma Research Foundation for “Post Transplant High-Dose MTX-ARA-C Consolidation: A Drug Resistance Gene Transfer Strategy for Myeloprotection.”
- **James Millonig, PhD**, assistant professor, Neuroscience and Cell Biology, Center for Advanced Biotechnology and Medicine, awarded a two-year, **\$187,256** grant from the NJ Governor’s Council on Autism for “Association for Gene in the Engrailed 2 Pathway.” Also, awarded a two-year, \$120,000 grant from the National Alliance for Autism Research for “Genetic and Functional Analysis of Engrailed 2: A Cerebellar Patterning Gene.”
- **Raquel Benford**, Eric B.Chandler Health Center, awarded a **\$244,000** grant from the New Brunswick Board of Education for support of dental programs.
- **Parvin Saidi, MD**, Melvyn Hand Ab Motolinsky Professor of Medicine, and chief, Hematology, and director, New Jersey Regional Hemophilia Program, awarded a three-year, **\$221,769** fellowship grant from Novo Nordisk. Also, awarded **\$5,000** from the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services for the New Jersey Regional Hemophilia Program.
- **Soula Koniaris, MD**, assistant professor, Pediatrics, chief, Pediatric Gastroenterology & Nutrition, awarded a **\$280,000** grant from the

NJ Department of Health and Senior Services for a “Pediatric Tertiary Services Program.”

- **Shengkan (Victor) Jin, MD**, assistant professor, Pharmacology, awarded a four-year, **\$768,000** grant from the American Cancer Society for “The Role of Autophagy and the Beclin 1 Gene in Tumor Development.”
- **William Welsh, PhD**, Norman H. Edelman Professor in Bioinformatics, Pharmacology, and director, The UMDNJ Informatics Institute, awarded **\$161,917** in increased funding from Novaflux Biosciences, Inc., for “Modeling Synthesis and Preclinical of Single and Multiple Component Biguanide Based Microbicides.”
- **Harvey Weiss, PhD**, professor, Physiology and Biophysics, awarded a two-year, **\$182,300** grant from the NJ Governor’s Council on Autism for “Autism and Cerebral Excitation-Inhibition Imbalance.”
- **Sherie Novotny, MD**, Psychiatry, awarded a two-year, **\$160,625** grant from the NJ Governor’s Council on Autism for “Aripiprazole vs. Placebo in Autistic Children.”
- **William Vega, PhD**, professor, Psychiatry and director, Research, Behavioral Research and Training Institute, Psychiatry, received a five-year, **\$253,544** subcontract from the University of California at Davis for his portion of a larger project, titled, “Mexican Family Culture and Substance Use Risk and Resilience.”

### School of Public Health

#### Grants

- **George Rhoads, MD, MPH**, Endowed Professor of Public Health, and acting director, Epidemiology, awarded a one-year, **\$4,237** grant from the Weller Health Education Center for “Easton Take Back Our Children.”
- **Barry Schlegel, EdD, CIH**, awarded a one-year, **\$233,000** from the NJ Department of Education for “Occupational Educational Safety and Health Training and Standard Updating.”
- **Lois Grau, PhD, BSN**, associate professor and chair, Health Systems and Policy (Principal Investigator), and Susan Hammerman, PhD, assistant professor, Health Systems and Policy (Program Director), awarded a one-year, **\$259,781** contract from the NJ Department of Human Services, Division of Developmental Disabilities, for “Developmental Center Family Education Project.”
- **Jonathan Foulds, M.App.Sci, PhD**, associate professor awarded the following grants: A four-year, **\$200,000** CINJ Mentored Research Award from The Cancer Institute of New Jersey for “Evaluating New Treatments for Tobacco Dependence;” A one-year, **\$97,000** grant from Addiction Treatment Providers of New Jersey for “Addressing Tobacco in the Treatment of Other Addictions.”

### New Jersey Dental School

#### Grants

- **Riva Touger-Decker, PhD, RD**, clinical associate professor and director, Nutrition, Diagnostic Sciences, and **Barbara Greenberg, PhD**, acting associate dean, Research, awarded a **\$212,000** grant for “The Metabolic Effects of Almonds in Patients with Pre-Diabetes,” from the Almond Board of California to examine whether consumption of 20 percent of daily calories from almonds can prevent or slow the development of diabetes.

#### Appointments

- **Rosa Chaviano-Moran, DMD**, assistant professor, Community Health, appointed community team member to the NJDS Strategic Planning Partnership with Science Park High School, Newark.
- **Joseph Holtzman, PhD**, professor, Community Health, elected to the Board of Governors of the Newark Chapter of AAUP.

#### Honors

- **Hani Braidy, DDS**, assistant professor, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, nominated a Fellow in the Royal College of Dentists of Canada.
- **Robert Flinton, DDS, MS**, professor and chair, Restorative Dentistry, named a Fellow in the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics.
- **Saul Weiner, DDS**, professor, Restorative Dentistry, named a Fellow in the Greater New York Academy of Prosthodontics, and elected president for 2006, New Jersey Section of the American College of Prosthodontics.

### School of Osteopathic Medicine

#### Special Recognition

- **Elyse Perweiler, RN, MPP, NJISA**, given the Program Pillar Award from the Delaware Valley Chapter of the Alzheimer’s Association, and the Leadership Recognition Award from the National Association of Geriatric Education Centers (National Association for Geriatric Education).
- **Nazli Gulab, MD**, Psychiatry, named a Fellow of the American Board of Hospital Physicians and a Diplomat of both the American Board of Hospital Physicians and the American College of Ethical Physicians.
- **Warren Wallace, EdD**, Academic and Student Affairs, selected to receive the 2006 Visionary Leader Award, by the Gloucester County NAACP and the Camden County East NAACP.
- **Eleanor Masterson, DO**, Osteosciences, named the recipient of the A.T. Still Medallion of Honor at the 2006 American Academy of Osteopathy Convocation, Birmingham, Alabama.

#### Publications

- “Probing Conformational Changes in T7 RNA Polymerase During Initiation and Termination Using Engineered Disulfide Linkages” by **William McAllister, PhD**, and **Dmitry Temiakov, PhD**, Cell Biology, and K. Ma and M. Anikin, in *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, Vol.102: December 2005
- “The Effect of Macrolide Resistance on the Treatment of Community-Acquired Respiratory Tract Infections” a commentary by **Carman Ciervo, DO**, Family Medicine, in *First Report*, February 2006.
- “Alzheimer’s Other Dementia” by **David Libon, PhD**, NJISA, and C. Price, K.M. Heilman and M. Grossman, in *Cognitive and Behavioral Neurology*, October 2005.
- “Naturalistic Action in Dementia: Evidence for Differential Deficits in Alzheimer’s Disease vs. Vascular Dementia” by **David Libon, PhD**, and **Tanya Giovannetti**, NJISA, in *Journal of the International Neuropsychological Society*, October 2005.
- “An Exploratory Study of the Relationship Between Neuropsychiatric Symptoms and Medical Illness in Patients with Dementia” by **Anita Chopra, MD**, **Steven Scheinthal, DO**, and **David Libon, PhD**, NJISA, and P. Tran, K.S. Schmidt, J. Gallo and E. Tuppo in *Journal of the American Osteopathic Association*, December 2005
- “HRSA GECs: Interdisciplinary Collaborations in Bioterrorism and Emergency Preparedness Reaching Beyond Individual GECs” by **Elyse Perweiler, RN, MPP**, NJISA, and A. Johnson, L. Wegman in *The Gerontologist*, Vol. 45: October 2005.
- “Spouse as Health Care Proxy for Dialysis Patients: Whose Preferences Matter?” by **Rachel Pruchno, PHD**, NJISA, and E.P. Lemay, M.L. Field, and N.G. Levinsky in *The Gerontologist*, Vol. 45, October 2005.

### School of Nursing

#### Presentations

- **Maisha Amen, PhD, RN**, assistant professor, presented “The Role of the Navigator in Culturally Competent Care” at a UMDNJ seminar, “Clinical Applications of Cultural Competence: A Multidisciplinary Approach,” March 2006, Newark.

- **Elaine Patterson, EdD, RN**, associate professor, and **Kathleen Burke, PhD, RN**, assistant professor and assistant dean, presented “Using Multimedia Portfolios as One Measure of Program Outcome in a Masters in Nursing Education Program” at the Association of Critical Care Nurses’ annual conference, February 2006, San Antonio, Texas.
- **Gloria McNeal, PhD, RN**, associate professor and assistant dean, presented “Connecting Health Care to the Community: Mobile Health Care for the Medically Under-Served” at the Newark Municipal Council Health Committee’s High Tea for Women’s Health, March 2006, Newark.
- **Dula Pacquiao, EdD, RN**, associate professor and director, The Stanley Bergen Center for Multicultural Education, Research and Practice at SN, presented “Cultural Competence and Ethical Decision-Making,” at a UMDNJ seminar, “Clinical Applications of Cultural Competence: A Multidisciplinary Approach,” March 2006, Newark.
- **Dula Pacquiao, EdD, RN**, associate professor and director, The Stanley Bergen Center for Multicultural Education, Research and Practice at SN, presented “Cultural Competence in Health Care Services” at Lee Memorial Hospital, Fort Myers, Florida.
- **Dula Pacquiao, EdD, RN**, associate professor and director, The Stanley Bergen Center for Multicultural Education, Research and Practice at SN, presented “Cultural Competence in Teaching and Evaluation,” Brookdale Community College, Lincroft.
- **Frances Munet-Vilero, PhD, RN**, associate professor, presented “Cultural Competence in Health Promotion for Hispanic Populations,” at a UMDNJ seminar, “Clinical Applications of Cultural Competence: A Multidisciplinary Approach,” March 2006, Newark.

#### Special Recognition

- **Dula Pacquiao, Ed, RN**, associate professor and director, The Stanley Bergen Center for Multicultural Education, Research and Practice at SN, received the Award for Leadership in Professional and Allied Health Organizations, and inducted into the Hall of Fame of the Nursing Education Alumni Association at Teachers College, Columbia University.

#### Publications

- “Psychological and Mental Illness Among Elder Immigrants from the Former Soviet Union,” by S. Polyakova, and **Dula Pacquiao, Ed, RN**, associate professor and director, The Stanley Bergen Center for Multicultural Education, Research and Practice at SN, in *Journal of Transcultural Nursing*, 17(1): 40-49, 2006.

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