USU Assistant Director, Nurse Anesthesia Program Awarded AANA Post-Doctoral Fellowship

BETHESDA, Md. — Lt Col Keven Bohan, CRNA, Ph.D., U.S. Air Force, NC, was awarded this year’s Post-Doctoral Fellowship by the American Association of Nurse Anesthetists (AANA) Foundation. The AANA recognized Dr. Bohan for his active involvement in the development of an anesthesia research program at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USU).

“I am grateful to the USU graduate school of nursing for allotting me the time to develop a research program. Thanks to the funds granted by the AANA Foundation, I will exert my passion in research to explore anesthesia simulation topics that are valuable to nurse anesthesia leaders, educators and practitioners,” said Dr. Bohan. “It is truly an honor to be selected as the recipient of such a competitive fellowship.”

During the past year, Dr. Bohan has chaired and coordinated several concurrent student research projects pertaining to simulation. In the future, he plans to investigate best practices for CRNAs versus those of first and second year nurse anesthesia students; reliability of assessment tools; and ways to diminish stress and increase acceptance of stimulation usage among experienced nurse anesthetists.

Dr. Bohan currently serves as the assistant director of the nurse anesthesia program and director of Air Force, Army and Public Health Service nurse anesthesia student research at the USU Graduate School of Nursing. He completed his doctorate of philosophy at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, earned his master’s of science in nursing degree from USUHS, and his bachelor’s degree in nursing from the University of Wisconsin.

Located on the grounds of Bethesda’s National Naval Medical Center and across from the National Institutes of Health, USU is the nation’s federal school of medicine and graduate school of nursing. The university educates health care professionals dedicated to career service in the Department of Defense and the U.S. Public Health Service. Students are active-duty uniformed officers in the Army, Navy, Air Force and Public Health Service, who are being educated to deal with wartime casualties, national disasters, emerging infectious diseases, and other public health emergencies. Of the university’s more than 4,000 physician alumni, the vast majority serve on active duty and are supporting operations in Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere, offering their leadership and expertise.

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