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## 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 (<a href="mailto:Cathy.rick@jonascenter.org">Cathy.rick@jonascenter.org</a>). You can also work with the Campaign's Jonas Scholar consultant, Eileene Shake (<a href="mailto:ccna.eshake@gmail.com">ccna.eshake@gmail.com</a>) 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.