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Dr. Pier Broadnax, Ph.D., RN, is an Associate Professor and the Director of the RN to BS in Nursing program. She was formerly the Chairperson of the Undergraduate Nursing Program at Howard University and held a courtesy appointment at Yale University and as a Visiting Researcher at the Catholic University of Chile, School of Nursing, Santiago, Chile. She has also held positions in the public and private sector as a healthcare administrator. She was a Charter Member of the Mayor's Health Policy Council for the District of Columbia. She serves as co-lead of the District of Columbia Action Coalition, Future of Nursing-Campaign for Action sponsored by AARP and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Dr. Broadnax has also served as a consultant in international leadership development. She coordinated an international research project in Santiago, Chile on breast cancer knowledge of Chilean women. Her areas of research, in addition to leadership development, include breast cancer in minority women and childhood obesity. She created a leadership development model which was funded by the American Nurses Foundation to support the leadership development of baccalaureate nursing students. She was named the 2016 Black Nurse of the Year by the Black Nurses Association of the Greater Washington, DC area. Dr. Broadnax holds a Ph.D. in Nursing with an emphasis on Health Policy Development from George Mason University in Fairfax, Virginia.

Elmira Asongwed, **MS, RN, CNE,** is an Associate Professor and Community Health Nursing Specialist in the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program. She has worked in clinical settings, educational institutions, and public and private agencies in several states and in Cameroon, Africa since 1971, in acute, extended, employee, and home health care. Professor Asongwed has taught various levels of nursing from home health aides, undergraduate, and graduate nursing students through doctoral nursing student consultation. She has multiple local, national, and international committee memberships and held several past offices. Her research interests include secondary prevention with ankle brachial index measurements to identify peripheral artery disease, mindfulness education, and evidence-based education interventions for adult learners. She holds a Master of Science in public/community health nursing/education from the University of Maryland, Baltimore. She is credentialed as a certified Nurse Educator by the National League for Nursing.

Anne Marie Jean-Baptiste, Ph.D., MSN, RN, CCRN, CEN, is an Assistant Professor for the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program. Dr. Jean-Baptiste is an expert critical care and adult emergency nurse. She holds a master's degree in healthcare management, a master's degree in nursing education, and a Ph.D. with a focus on nursing education. She also holds the following certifications: Online Teaching, Critical Care Nursing, and Emergency Nursing. She has presented at numerous National League for Nursing (NLN) Summits, the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing (STTTI) conferences, and the Nursing Education Research Conference (NERC) in areas of student recruitment and teaching strategies. She has published articles in the Maryland Nurse Journal as well as the Guyana Nursing Journal, and reviews manuscripts for the International Journal of Nursing Education Scholarship (IJNES). In 2017, she wrote a book chapter titled "Service Learning as an Approach to Combating the Triad of Interrelated Diseases in the District of Columbia," published by IGI Online Publications. As a Maryland Board of Nursing approved RN Case Manager, she supervised, coordinated, and trained group home and assisted living managers to remain in compliance with the rules and procedures instituted by OHCQ and DHMH, and assisted them in the submission of Medicaid and other medical care programs claims . She has written items for NCSBN RN–NCLEX. Dr. Jean-Baptiste is an active member of numerous nursing associations.