

DiMarco wins award at NAPNAP in Chicago!!

Marguerite (Peg) DiMarco PhD, RN, CPNP is an Associate Professor at The University of Akron, College of Nursing where she coordinates the Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (PNP) program since 1996.

She has 36 years of experience as a pediatric nurse and has taught pediatric nursing at all educational levels for 32 years.

Peg DiMarco has practiced as a pediatric nurse practitioner (PNP) for 16 years in urban, rural, and homeless shelter clinics.

She became interested in the health of homeless children since she started her faculty practice at ACCESS in 1997 from that practice she noticed that many children had cavities and the dentist was hard to access.

Peg is an active member in National NAPNAP (National Association for Pediatric Nurse Practitioners) where she is on the board and the oral health expert.

Peg has served on the Ohio Department of Health's Fluoride Varnish Committee which was successful in getting Medicaid reimbursement for fluoride varnish to children and providing in-services to primary care providers around the state about fluoride varnish application.

She has also serves with the AAP (American Academy of Pediatrics) and the ADA (American Dental Association) on their oral health initiatives.

Her latest project involved bringing a dental van to the homeless shelter where she received funding from three sources. DiMarco participated on the Oral Health Initiative where colleagues from the College of Nursing and Nutrition Department recently received a \$1+ million grant from Kellogg to provide oral health care (fluoride varnishes) and education to low income WIC mothers/children.



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