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He was selected for Fellowship into the American Academy of Nursing in 2008 and was the co-chair of the Emerging and Infectious Diseases Expert Panel from 2008 - 2010. In 2019, he was selected for Fellowship into the Academy of Nursing Education of the National League for Nursing.

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