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Reflections on Significant Milestones,
Compelling Knowledge, and Sticky
Contributions to Family Nursing Science

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 **What are the top 12 cited JFN Articles
2005-2018?**

Implementing Family Nursing: How Do We Translate Knowledge Into Clinical Practice? Part II: The Evolution of 20 Years of Teaching, Research, and Practice to a Center of Excellence in Family Nursing

Fabie Duhamel

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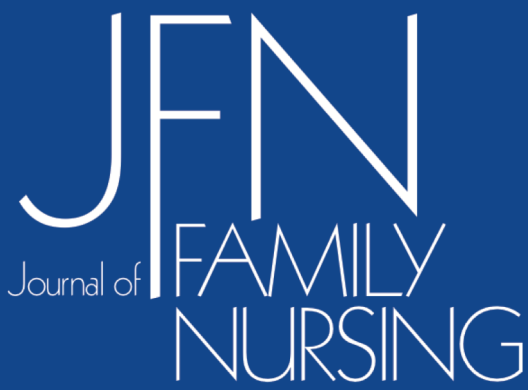
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Abstract

The author's reflections on knowledge transfer/translation highlight the importance of the circular process between science and practice knowledge, leading to the notion of "knowledge exchange." She addresses the dilemmas of translating knowledge into clinical practice by describing her academic contributions to knowledge exchange within Family Systems Nursing (FSN). Teaching and research strategies are offered that address the circularity between science and practice knowledge. The evolution of 20 years of teaching, research, and clinical experience has resulted in the recent creation of a Center of Excellence in Family Nursing at the University of Montreal. The three main objectives of the Center uniquely focus on knowledge exchange by providing (a) a training context for skill development for nurses specializing in FSN, (b) a research milieu for knowledge "creation" and knowledge "in action" studies to further advance the practice of FSN, and (c) a family healing setting to support families who experience difficulty coping with health issues.

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Statement about journal



2018 Impact Factor:

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2018 Ranking:

24/120 in Nursing (SCIE)

22/118 in Nursing (SSCI)

13/46 in Family Studies

Source:

Journal Citation Reports (Web of Science Group, 2019)

Journal Impact Factor Calculation

$$\text{2018 Journal Impact Factor} = \frac{87}{46} = \mathbf{1.891}$$

How is Journal Impact Factor Calculated?

$$\text{Journal Impact Factor} = \frac{\text{Citations in 2019 to items published in 2016 (61) + 2017 (26)}}{\text{Number of citable items in 2016 (23) + 2017 (23)}} = \frac{87}{46}$$

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● **Significant Milestones**

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First International Family Nursing
Conference, Calgary, Alberta, Canada

1988

1995

First issue of JFN
published (SAGE)

2005

JFN offers awards for important contributions to
family nursing. From 2005-2011, 37 family nursing
scholars were honored.

2007

JFN receives first Impact Score.

2008

Glen Taylor offers endowed
funding to Minnesota State
University, Mankato to create
the Glen Taylor Nursing
Institute for Family and Society



JFN/JJRFN exchange
of abstracts begins

2015

2009

International Family Nursing
Association established at the 9th
International Family Nursing
Conference in Reykjavik, Iceland

2019

JFN continues to be consistently
ranked in the top quartile of nursing
journals and family studies journals.



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● **Compelling Knowledge**

Top 25 Cited Articles 2005-2018

Title of JFN Article	Authors	Publication Year	Total Citations
A conceptual review of family resilience factors	Black, Keri; Lobo, Marie	2008	131
Revisiting Confucianism as a conceptual framework for Asian family study	Park, Mijung; Chesla, Catherine	2007	105
Do family interventions improve health?	Chesla, Catherine	2010	67
Grandparents raising grandchildren - Stressors, social support, and health outcomes	Leder, Sharon; Grinstead, Linda Nicholson; Torres, Elisa	2007	57
Continued development of the Family Management Style Framework	Knafl, Kathleen A.; Deatrick, Janet A.; Havill, Nancy L.	2012	52
Interrelation between adult persons with diabetes and their family: A systematic review of the literature	Rintala, Tuula-Maria; Jaatinen, Pia; Paavilainen, Eija; Astedt-Kurki, Paivi	2013	46
The influence of family on immigrant South Asian women's health	Grewal, S; Bottorff, JL; Hilton, BA	2005	42
Interactive use of genograms and ecomaps in family caregiving research	Rempel, Gwen R.; Neufeld, Anne; Kushner, Kaysi Eastlick	2007	41
Nurses' attitudes about the importance of families in nursing care - A survey of Swedish nurses	Benzein, Eva; Johansson, Pauline; Arestedt, Kristofer Franzen; Saveman, Britt-Inger	2008	40
Family caregivers and cancer pain management: A review	Meeker, Mary Ann; Finnell, Deborah; Othman, Areej K.	2011	39
Family strategies for supporting involvement in meaningful activity by persons with dementia	Phinney, Alison	2006	39
Implementing family nursing: How do we translate knowledge into clinical practice? Part II: The evolution of 20 years of teaching, research, and practice to a Center of Excellence in Family Nursing	Duhamel, Fabie	2010	38
Adolescents with type 1 diabetes: Family functioning and metabolic control	Leonard, Barbara, J.; Jang, Yuh-Pyng; Savik, Kay; Plumbo, Margaret, A.	2005	38

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Living with moderate or severe traumatic brain injury - The meaning of family members' experiences	Jumisko, Eija; Lexell, Jan; Soderberg, Siv	2007	36
Swedish families' lived experience when a child is first diagnosed as having insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus - An ongoing learning process	Wennick, Anne; Hallstrom, Inger	2006	36
Examining family responses to Family Systems Nursing interventions: An integrative review	Ostlund, Ulrika; Persson, Carina	2014	35
Stress and coping on the home front: Guard and reserve spouses searching for a new normal	Lapp, Cheryl Ann; Taft, Lois B.; Tollefson, Thora; Hoepner, Ann; Moore, Kevin; Divyak, Katie	2010	35
Development of professional practice based on a Family Systems Nursing framework: Nurses' and families' experiences	LeGrow, Karen; Rossen, Beth Ellen	2005	35
Family Systems Nursing re-examined [Editorial]	Bell, Janice M.	2009	34
The essence of the family critical illness experience and nurse-family meetings	Nelms, Tommie P.; Eggenberger, Sandra K.	2010	33
Institutional placement of persons with dementia - What predicts occurrence and timing?	Coehlo, Deborah Padgett; Hooker, Karen; Bowman, Sally	2007	32
Exploring the therapeutic family intervention of commendations - Insights from research	Limacher, Lori Houger; Wright, Lorraine M.	2006	32
Effects of self-care on quality of life in adults with heart failure and their spousal caregivers: Testing dyadic dynamics using the Actor-Partner Interdependence Model	Vellone, Ercole; Chung, Misook L.; Cocchieri, Antonello; Rocco, Gennaro; Alvaro, Rosaria; Riegel, Barbara	2014	31
The nature and scope of stressful spousal caregiving relationships	Davis, Linda Lindsey; Gilliss, Catherine L.; Deshefy-Longhi, Tess; Chestnutt, Deborah H.; Molloy, Margory	2011	31
Knowledge translation in family nursing: Does a short-term therapeutic conversation intervention benefit families of children and adolescents in a hospital setting? Findings from the Landspítali University Hospital Family Nursing Implementation Project	Svavarsdottir, Erla Kolbrun; Tryggvadottir, Gudny Bergthora; Sigurdardottir, Anna Olafia	2012	30

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Emerging findings from research
about the **bidirectional influence**
of families and health/illness

What we need more of...

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Interventions
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Prioritize knowledge
transfer and
knowledge
translation
methodologies

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Develop and test
new measures

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Ensure that
measures of
outcome are
congruent with the
family nursing
intervention offered

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Choose a good title
and promote your
article

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International Collaboration:
JFN and JJRFN exchange

In 2014, a contract was signed by the Journal of Family Nursing (JFN) and the Japanese Journal of Research in Family Nursing Research (JJRFN) to translate and exchange 5 manuscript abstracts per year.

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Development and Implementation of a Family-Focused Undergraduate Nursing Curriculum: Minnesota State University, Mankato

Sonja J. Meiers, PhD, RN, Sandra K. Eggenberger, PhD, RN, Norma Krumwiede, EdD, RN

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Abstract

Nurse educators have the responsibility to create learning experiences centered on the scientific and praxis foci of the nursing discipline to advance nursing practice with families. Although the nursing profession has ample knowledge about the importance of family nursing and the value of family-focused actions, there is a lack of curricular and teaching models that address nursing practice with families in numerous courses and learning experiences. This article describes the development of a family-focused undergraduate curriculum and teaching–learning practices at Minnesota State University, Mankato in the United States. A vision and mission centered on the nursing of families, a family care teaching model, a framework of family constructs, and taxonomy of significant learning strategies guided faculty in creating learner-centered experiences. Course objectives, competencies, and teaching–learning practices in this curriculum are described. This manuscript may guide the development of innovative teaching–learning practices that integrate family nursing constructs and family nursing actions from a variety of family nursing models and theories. Initial evaluation suggests that this curriculum can increase students’ knowledge of family and instill a passion for family care in undergraduate programs.

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 **JFN Special Issues**

List of Special Issues/Special Focus Issues Published in JFN

- 1996** Health Care Relationships: A New Paradigm (Sandra Faux and Kathleen Knafl, Guest Editors)
- 1997** Teaching and Learning in Family Nursing (Special Focus Issue)
- 2001** Family Members' Perspectives on Participation in Clinical Trials (Kathleen Knafl, Guest Editor)
- 2002** Monograph about the Developmental Model of Health and Nursing: A Tribute to Moyra Allen (Marguerite Warner, Guest Editor)
- 2003** Special Focus Issue on Vulnerable Families: Research Findings and Methodological Challenges (Margaret Shephard and Margaret Mahon, Guest Editors)
- 2003** Special Focus Issue on Siblings of Children with Childhood Disability and Illness (Commentary by Martha Craft-Rosenberg)
- 2005** Special Focus Issue on Family Nursing: Challenges and Opportunities (papers presented at a special session at the 7th International Family Nursing Conference)

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- 2009** Special Issue on Therapeutic Letters (David Epston, Guest Editorial)
- 2010** Special Focus Issue on Family Nursing Education
- 2012** New Directions in the Family Management Style Framework (Janet Deatrck and Kathleen Knaf, Guest Editors)
- 2013** Special Section: The Landspitali University Hospital Family Nursing Implementation Project
- 2015** Illness Beliefs Model (Lorraine Wright, Guest Editor and Janice Bell)
- 2016** Special Focus on Measurement in Family Nursing (Guest Editorial by Kathleen Sawin)
- 2017** Special Focus on Social Media and Family Nursing
- 2019** Family Focused Care of Older Adults (Joel Anderson and Karen Rose, Guest Editors)



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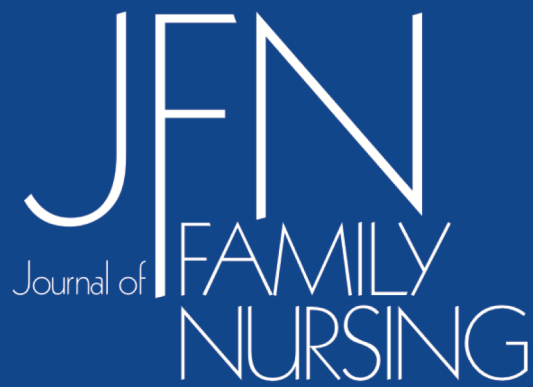
- The use of health innovation technology to support family care of older adults
- Social isolation, stigma, and/or emotional distress among families caring for older adults
- Family care of older adults among diverse populations and family structures
- Involvement of family care of older adults across practice settings
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● **Sticky Contributions**



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6,366	Lorraine M. Wright, Maureen Leahey Application of the Calgary Family Assessment and Intervention Models Reflections on the Reciprocity Between the Personal and the Professional Volume 22 Issue 4; 10.1177/1074840716667972
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2,662	Janet A. Deatrick Where Is “Family” in the Social Determinants of Health? Implications for Family Nursing Practice, Research, Education, and Policy Volume 23 Issue 4; 10.1177/1074840717735287
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1,733	Lorraine M. Wright The Illness Beliefs Model Advancing Practice Knowledge About Illness Beliefs, Family Healing, and Family Interventions Volume 21 Issue 2; 10.1177/1074840715586889
1,641	Anne Neufeld, Gwen R. Rempel Interactive Use of Genograms and Ecomaps in Family Caregiving Research Volume 13 Issue 4; 10.1177/1074840707307917
1,640	Lisa Whitehead, Mandie Foster, Patricia Maybee The Parents’, Hospitalized Child’s, and Health Care Providers’ Perceptions and Experiences of Family-Centered Care Within a Pediatric Critical Care Setting: A Synthesis of Quantitative Research Volume 22 Issue 1; 10.1177/1074840715618193
1,160	Andrew Estefan, Jackie M. Smith Families Parenting Adolescents With Substance Abuse—Recovering the Mother’s Voice A Narrative Literature Review Volume 20 Issue 4; 10.1177/1074840714554397
1,133	Carina Persson, Eva Benzein, Liselott Årestedt Families Living With Chronic Illness: Beliefs About Illness, Family, and Health Care Volume 21 Issue 2; 10.1177/1074840715576794

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● **Tips for JFN Authors**



“Be a good steward of your gifts. Protect your time. Feed your inner life. Avoid too much noise. **Read good books, have good sentences in your ears.** Be by yourself as often as you can. Walk. Take the phone off the hook. Work regular hours.”

--Jane Kenyon, poet



“Write FBR” - Write Fast, Bad, and Wrong

When writing nonfiction, don't stop to fact check.

If the sentence doesn't sound good, keep going.

Every time you stop, you have to put all this energy into starting again, which you want to avoid.

This liberates you to follow the narrative thread and just keep going and going with it.

When you stop - you lose the creativity.

It's like riding a bike - it's easier when you have some speed to keep the wheels turning. If you go too slow - you wobble.

--Safi Bahcall, author of *Loonshots: How to Nurture the Crazy Ideas that Win Wars, Cure Diseases, and Transform Industries*

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Examining cross cultural diversity and families across the life cycle

Advancing family assessment and intervention

Prioritizing knowledge translation of family nursing theory to practice settings

Asking the next "right question" to advance knowledge

Listening to marginalized voices

Ensuring interdisciplinary perspectives

Extending knowledge about family nursing theory and policy

Growing knowledge about family nursing education

Braving new research methodology and instrumentation

**What's the change that
you want to see in the world?**





To have a *firm persuasion*, to set out boldly in our work, is to make a pilgrimage of our labors, to understand that the consummation of work lies not only in *what we have done*, but *who we have become* while accomplishing the task.

David Whyte (2001)

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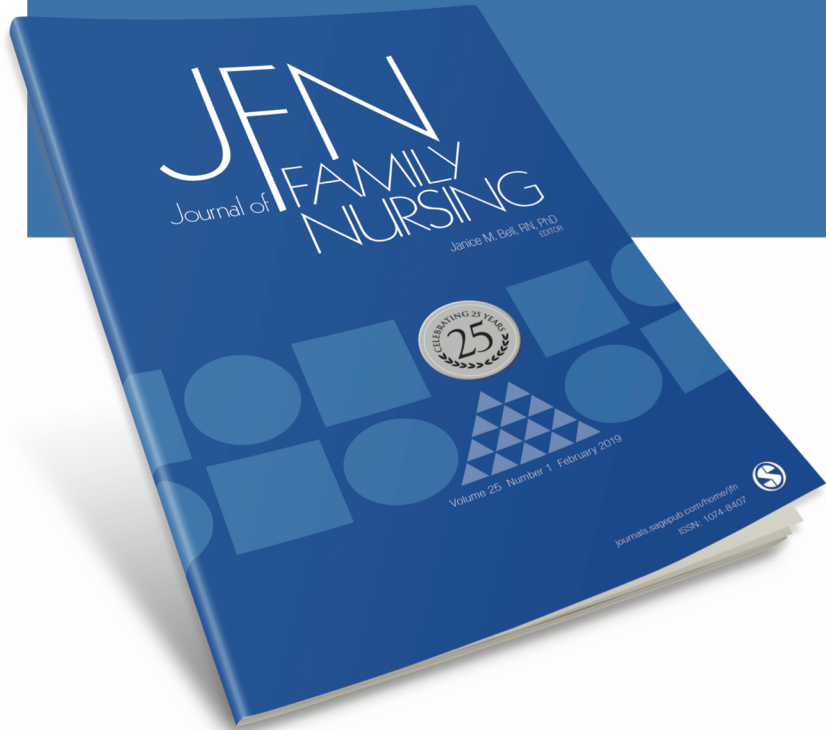
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