



# Latino / x WIN SIG Newsletter

The Western Institute of Nursing Special Interest Group  
Conducting Research with Latinos/x

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## *A Message from Dr. Crist.*

In 2001, when I was completing a post-doctoral fellowship, a T-32 for aging, minority and other vulnerable populations, with Dr. Linda Phillips, PI, as my mentor, I suggested to my colleagues at WIN that we gather for a breakfast meeting to discuss our work in conducting research with Latino people. From the U of A College of Nursing, interested people included Drs. Marylyn McEwen and Cromwell, and PhD student, Sookie Dominguez Escandon (UNM and UTHSCSA). Our CON I.T. person, John Lewis, helped us develop a website; early on, Dr. Carrie Jo Braden (UTHSCSA) helped us create a format for the listserv. I approached the Executive Director Paula McNeil and she gave us a meeting room at the conference. We advertised it and that year and each subsequent year we would have about 20+ interested people attending. We collaborated on topics for discussion, always had rich networking, and sometimes co-presented symposia, e.g., topics such as community based participatory research, familismo, and instrument development. Regular attendees were previous PhD Graduates Dawn Weiler (University of Idaho) and Dr. Lauren Clark (University of Utah, UCLA).

One year our graduated PhD student Sookie offered a “roundtable” on developing and translating cross-cultural questionnaires. For a few years Drs. Escandon and McEwen were Co-Facilitators with me. In 2012 Sookie’s daughter drafted the logo we use it on our posters, power point slides, and flyers. Later Dr. Elizabeth Reifsnider (UTHSCSA, UTMB, ASU) joined us as Co-Facilitator. Other members came and went, we had SIG breakfasts and/or luncheons. I believe our SIG was a prototype for other WIN-SIGs that have developed. WIN helped make this and other SIGs become more formalized and always helped list the events in the programs. Then PhD student, now Dr. Heather Coats began attending in 2010 and Dr. Adrienne Martinez-Hollingsworth joined us in 2018, both have since joined as co-facilitators. Dr. Escandon has retired and Dr. McEwen has taken on an Associate Dean for Global Health position—therefore no longer Co-Facilitators, but we appreciate their contributions! This summer Dr. Martinez-Hollingsworth and Dr. Coats agreed to accept Co-Lead Facilitator positions. We look forward to new ways of networking, state-of-the-art use of media, and collaboration with current Executive Director, Bo Perry.



**Janice D Crist , PhD, RN, FWAN, FAAN**  
Associate Professor, University of Arizona

*Introducing...  
Co-Lead Facilitators*



**Adrienne Martinez-Hollingsworth**  
PhD, MSN, RN, PHN  
Postdoctoral Fellow, UCLA



**Heather Coats**  
PhD, MS, APRN-BC  
Asst. Professor, Univ. of Colorado

We look forward to continuing our collaborations with fellow nurse scholars to improve the health and well-being of the Latinx individuals, families and populations we serve.

*—Adrienne & Heather*

**We're Making a Member List... want to connect with other researchers cross the country?  
We'd love to meet you! Contact: Lamuralist@yahoo.com –or- Heather.coats@cuanschutz.edu**



## It's almost time for a Meeting!

While we can't get together in person... we will be hosting a virtual meeting to connect and plan around the upcoming WIN Conferences. Use this doodle poll link to weigh-in on your availability. We'd love to get to know you and your research interests better!

<https://doodle.com/poll/vnipecva7zmt44hw>

## **2022 Podium Symposium Ideas: Managing Latino/a/x Health During a Pandemic**

Possible Topics:

- Telehealth/virtual care explorations
- Impact of rising unemployment on insurance status/experience of essential workers
- Changes in disease self-mgmt
- Provider Burnout and impact on Latinos/BIPOC
- Social Distancing challenges/barriers in Latino/x, multi-gen/multi-family homes

***... these are just some ideas;  
we'd love to hear your thoughts!***

## **Covid-19 Resources & Accolades**

To support our members, we'd like to recognize your contributions in the fight against Covid-19 in our communities (locally, regionally, nationally and internationally). Please send us photos, poems, artwork and testimonials to share with the group.

Here are some links to resources...

**for those in multi-generational, multi-family homes, or in close quarters:**

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/living-in-close-quarters.html>

**for those disinfecting the home after/during illness:**

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/disinfecting-your-home.html>

**for those interested in general preparedness:**

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/checklist-household-ready.html>

Stay safe, everyone, and thank you for your service!

**Are you celebrating a milestone? Have a new publication? Or a new position?  
Submit to the Latino/x SIG newsletter!**

We'd love to feature you and share your accomplishments!!!

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