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RHEUMATOLOGY NURSING OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZED AS A NURSING SPECIALTY

Lutherville, MD (PRWEB) November 10, 2012 -- On November 9th, 2012 the American Nurses Association Board of Directors announced its recognition of rheumatology nursing as a nursing specialty, approval of the rheumatology nursing scope of practice statement, and acknowledgment of the standards of practice for rheumatology Registered Nurses (RNs) and Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs) in rheumatology.

Rheumatology Nurses Society (RNS) developed and submitted to the American Nursing Association a request for recognition of rheumatology nursing as a specialty. Publishing of the official rheumatology nursing scope and standards of practice will be forthcoming.

“This achievement advances and validates the role of the professional rheumatology nurse. Moreover, this accomplishment substantiates the nurse as an integral part of the health care team in the treatment and care of individuals with rheumatic diseases.

On behalf of the RNS Board of Directors I wish to thank our volunteer committee for their work and dedication that made this possible.

This is an outstanding achievement for the Rheumatology Nurses Society.”

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Co-founder and President of Rheumatology Nursing Society*

Rheumatology Nurses Society (RNSnetwork.org) is the professional nursing organization representing nurses who are engaged in clinical practice, education and research for the care of patients with rheumatic diseases.

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