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Josefina Lujan, Ph.D., R.N. | Tuesday, December 16 | Noon | Room ACB 120

“Implications of Religion and Spirituality on the Health Practices of Mexican Americans”

Dr. Lujan is the new Regional Dean for El Paso Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Anita Thigpen Perry School of Nursing. She is a first-generation Mexican American & the first Hispanic nurse to be named dean of a school of nursing in El Paso. She has 28 years of experience in nursing & has dedicated the last decade to nursing education in curriculum-based programs. Her research findings have been published in several peer-reviewed journals to include *The Diabetes Educator*, *Hispanic Health Care International* and *The Journal of Nursing Education*. Her book, *Community Health Worker: Diabetes Self-Management Intervention for Mexican Americans* was published by VDM Verlag in 2007.

Dr. Lujan has worked with Hospital Corporation of America St. David’s to develop & implement a program to prepare Mexico trained nurses to meet the United State’s licensure requirements. Awarded the 2006 Millie A. Fields Outstanding Researcher Award from TTUHSC Houston School of Nursing. Presenter of test-taking skill & retention strategies for Hispanic nursing students & embraces diversity through online learning.

- Featured in *Minority Nurse & Nurse Week*
- Awarded a grant from National Institutes of Health National Library of Medicine to develop & test a tool that will prepare low-literacy monolingual Spanish-speaking individuals for national disasters
- Served as chair of the UTEP School of Nursing Faculty Organization & the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
- Appointed to the University of Texas at El Paso President’s Advisory Council on Diversity
- Presented nationally & locally to Hispanic nursing students
- Revised undergraduate & graduate courses to maximize the use of online education technology
- Conducted a research intervention study for Mexican Americans with type 2 diabetes, funded by the Paso Del Norte Center for Border Health Research-2005

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