

## [Minority Fellowship Program at ANA Holds Intensive Training Institute](#)



The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Minority Fellowship Program (MFP) at the American Nurses Association (ANA) celebrated its 45th year of program excellence at its [2019 Intensive Training Institute \(ITI\)](#) in April in Tallahassee, Florida.

The MFP was launched in 1974 as a response to the lack of minority mental health and substance abuse professionals in core fields (nursing, psychiatry, psychology, and social work) who could provide culturally competent care to an increasingly diverse ethnic and racial minority population. More than 400 doctoral and masters MFP/ANA Fellows have graduated and become successful leaders in psychiatric mental health nursing as clinicians, educators, researchers, and

policy makers.

The 2019 ITI was a collaboration between the MFP/ANA and the Center for Indigenous Nursing Research for Health Equity (INRHE) at Florida State University. More than 80 current masters and doctoral Fellows, alumni, National Advisory Committee members, ANA and Florida Nurses Association Presidents, and leaders from INRHE and Florida State University were in attendance.

For more information about the MFP, please visit [www.emfp.org](http://www.emfp.org).

*Photo: ANA President Ernest Grant with MFP staff at 2019 ITI. Sitting, L-R: Grant, Janet Jackson, program director. Standing, L-R: Samuel Suraphel, program manager, Sandra Oliver, program specialist, Frieda Hopkins Outlaw, academic program consultant, Hossein Yarandi, statistician/program evaluator.*