

2025 NP/PA Award for Clinical Excellence

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Sharon Dudley-Brown, PhD, FNP-BC, FAAN, FAANP, currently holds a faculty appointment in the School of Medicine at Johns Hopkins University. She is also a Professor in the School of Nursing at the University of Delaware, teaching in the Doctor of Nursing Practice Program. She has been a family nurse practitioner for the

past 30+ years, working in a variety of settings including primary

care, urgent care, and more recently in gastroenterology. Her current practice at Johns Hopkins is in the Division of Gastroenterology & Hepatology, where she independently manages patients with inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), and collaborates with physicians in the IBD center at Johns Hopkins. She was awarded a Miller-Coulson Clinical Excellence award at Johns Hopkins in 2017. She is a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing (2011) and the American Association of Nurse Practitioners (2018).

She is an internationally recognized leader in gastroenterology nursing and served as a visiting professor and consultant in New Zealand in 2011, sharing her experience in nursing education and gastroenterology. She has numerous publications and has presented nationally and internationally in the field of IBD, gastroenterology and nursing. She is a co-editor of the seminal textbook *Translation of Evidence into Nursing and Health Care*, now in its 4th edition.

She also serves in leadership capacities with several gastroenterology and nursing organizations such as the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation (CCF), the Society of Gastrointestinal Nurses and Associates (SGNA), and the American Gastroenterological Association (AGA). She is a founding member of the executive committee of GHAPP: Gastroenterology and Hepatology Advanced Practice Providers, a newly formed organization dedicated to the education of nurse practitioners and physician assistants by their peers, in the field of gastroenterology & hepatology.