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# For Immediate Release:

## USU Professor Diane Seibert named Fellow, American Academy of Nurse Practitioners

**Bethesda, Md.**: Diane Seibert, PhD, CRNP, director of the Family Nurse Practitioner program in the Graduate School of Nursing at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences, was inducted as a Fellow of the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners, or FAANP, on June 20, 2009 during the AANP national conference in Nashville, Tenn.

Seibert, who joined the USU in 1996, "is one the nation's leaders in advanced practice nursing," said USU Graduate School of Nursing Dean Dr. Adasue Hinshaw. "The GSN faculty and I are very proud of her accomplishments and her election as a Fellow of the AANP."

Established in 2000, the FAANP program recognizes nurse practitioner leaders who have made outstanding contributions to health care through nurse practitioner clinical practice, research, education or policy. Priority initiatives of FAANP are the development of leadership and mentorship programs for nurse practitioners and nurse practitioner students.

Fellows of the AANP are visionaries committed to the global advancement of nursing through the development of imaginative and creative future nurse practitioner leaders, and as such, hold an annual think tank to strategize about the future of nurse practitioners and health care outside the confines of traditional thinking. A limited number of nurse practitioners are selected for this highly coveted distinction each year.

Founded in 1985, the AANP is the oldest, largest, and only full-service national professional organization for nurse practitioners of all specialties. AANP represents the interests of the approximately 125,000 nurse practitioners around the country. AANP continually advocates for the active role of nurse practitioners as providers of high-quality, cost-effective and personalized healthcare. For more information about AANP, visit <a href="www.aanp.org">www.aanp.org</a>

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Located on the grounds of Bethesda's National Naval Medical Center and across from the National Institutes of Health, USU is the nation's federal school of medicine and graduate school of nursing. The university educates health care professionals dedicated to career service in the Department of Defense and the U.S. Public Health Service. Students are active-duty uniformed officers in the Army, Navy, Air Force and Public Health Service, who are being educated to deal with wartime casualties, natural disasters, emerging infectious diseases, and other public health emergencies. Of the university's nearly 4,400 physician alumni and more than 400 advance practice nurses, the vast majority serve on active duty and are supporting operations in Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere, offering their leadership and expertise. The University also has graduated more than 600 public health professionals.