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**AMERICAN NURSES FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES NEW PATIENT SAFETY
RESEARCH GRANT**

SILVER SPRING, MD- The American Nurses Foundation (ANF), the charitable and philanthropic arm of the American Nurses Association, is pleased to announce a new \$5000 grant to support nursing research on patient safety funded by The Josie King Foundation.

“As nurses, we are committed to ensuring safe patient care,” said ANF President Margarete Zalon, PhD, RN, ACNS-BC. “We are grateful to the Josie King Foundation for its willingness to support ANF nurse researchers whose work is aimed at achieving this important, shared goal.”

This award is named in honor of Josie King, an 18-month old girl who died as a result of medical errors. The Josie King Foundation’s mission is to prevent patients from dying or being harmed by medical errors by uniting health care providers and consumers in the evolution of a health care culture that promotes patient safety. The Josie King Foundation Award for Nursing Research in Patient Safety will fund one grant for patient safety research with preference given to a study focused on communication and teamwork in the patient-provider relationship.

“Nurses strive to create a work environment that recognizes innovation and improvement when it comes to the quality of care,” added ANF CEO Marla J. Weston, PhD, RN. “We will continue to advocate for patient safety and work toward opportunities to achieve positive outcomes in today’s complex health care system.”

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Nurse researchers who are interested in learning more about or applying for this or other grants available through ANF's Nursing Research Grants Program can go online to www.anfonline.org/MainCategory/NursingResearchGrant.aspx. The deadline for this year's submissions is May 3. For more information on the Josie King Foundation, please visit www.josieking.org.

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The ANA is the only full-service professional organization representing the interests of the nation's 2.9 million registered nurses through its constituent member nurses associations, its organizational affiliates, and its workforce advocacy affiliate, the Center for American Nurses. The ANA advances the nursing profession by fostering high standards of nursing practice, promoting the rights of nurses in the workplace, projecting a positive and realistic view of nursing, and by lobbying the Congress and regulatory agencies on health care issues affecting nurses and the public.