# QSEN DNP TASKFORCE BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

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### Why is the DNP important to you?

The increasing complex health care systems of today is a constant reminder of the need for advance competencies, enhanced knowledge and strengthening one's leadership skills. The complexity of patient-centric/driven care coupled with the public interest in health care quality and patient safety has made it imperative to effectively demonstrate application that can impact diverse populations.

Nurses are fundamental in the transformation of health care and the evolving trends in the health care environment today.

## **Career Highlights:**

- Actively serves on the Mississippi Educational Consortium for the Doctor of Nursing Practice (MECDNP) to support increasing nursing leadership capacity in Mississippi.
- Clinical mentor for DNP students
- Led interprofessional faculty development project, aimed to integrate quality improvement in health professions curricula
- Practice experience includes educator and leadership roles, risk management, case management, quality review, utilization review and critical care nursing

#### Why are you involved with QSEN?

It is important to engage with like-minded scholars and influencers dedicated to making a difference in quality of care and patient safety. It is an imperative to drive practice change and evidence based research through the acquisition of knowledge and skills to meet the needs for increasingly complex patient outcomes. QSEN is an exemplar committed to advancing the profession, leading change and shaping the future of healthcare.