Mary K. Carl Lecture

Guest Speaker: Patricia Flatley Brennan, RN, PhD
Director, National Library of Medicine
Nursing Informatics Leader
UD School of Nursing Alumna

Wednesday, September 20, 2017
4:00-6:00pm – UD’s STAR Health Sciences Complex
“The Future of Data-Powered Health”

This special seminar is open to the public and all interested faculty, students and community members are invited to attend. RSVPs are requested at: http://www.udel.edu/003982

Patricia Flatley Brennan, RN, PhD, is the Director of the National Library of Medicine (NLM). The NLM is the world’s largest biomedical library and the producer of digital information services used by scientists, health professionals and members of the public worldwide. She assumed the directorship in August 2016. In January 2017, with the transition of the trans-NIH data science initiatives to NLM, as recommended by the NLM Working Group Report to the NIH Director, Dr. Brennan also assumed the role of NIH Interim Associate Director for Data Science (ADDS). Dr. Brennan is a pioneer in the development of information systems for patients. She developed ComputerLink, an electronic network designed to reduce isolation and improve self-care among home care patients. She directed HeartCare, a web-based information and communication service that helps home-dwelling cardiac patients recover faster, and with fewer symptoms. She also directed Project HealthDesign, an initiative designed to stimulate the next generation of personal health records. Dr. Brennan has also conducted external evaluations of health information technology architectures and worked to repurpose engineering methods for health care. A full bio and additional information can be found online: https://www.nlm.nih.gov/od/roster/brennan.html

The lecture is supported by an endowed gift from Dean Mary K. Carl. She was the dean of the College of Nursing from 1966 to 1975. She also served as president of the Delaware League for Nursing, and as a consultant to the National Institute of Mental Health and the American Association for Industrial Nurses. Prior to coming to UD, Dr. Carl was a professor and administrator at the University of Maryland where she taught psychology, education and nursing.