



## **Macy Foundation gift expands Yale-Howard partnership**

Under the leadership and vision of Dean Margaret Grey, YSN submitted and secured funding from the Josiah Macy, Jr., Foundation to expand its collaborative partnership with Howard University. The gift will enable YSN to add medicine and public health into its existing nursing program, known as the Yale-Howard Partnership Center on Health Inequity. The program now brings nursing students from Howard University, a historically African American university in Washington, D.C., to Yale for intensive research internships.

According to Barbara Guthrie, PhD, RN, FAAN, YSN Associate Professor and Associate Dean of Academic Affairs, “The ultimate goal is to increase the number of racial and ethnic minority biomedical and health scientists who are educationally prepared to engage in interdisciplinary research, with a special focus on the elimination of health inequities.”

The program directors include Dr. Guthrie from YSN, Dr. W. Lee from the Yale School of Medicine, and Dr. Beatrice Aderly-Kelly of Howard University.

Guthrie, who began her nursing education at Howard University’s Freedmen Hospital School of Nursing, comments, “I have wanted to reach back and mentor the next generation of biomedical and health scientists. As one of this program’s directors, I will be able to achieve this goal—and help to ensure that the next generation of health equity research scientists reflects the growing diverse U.S. population.”

The Josiah Macy, Jr. Foundation is a privately endowed philanthropy in Manhattan, which supports programs designed to improve the education of health professionals in the interest of public health and to enhance the representation of minorities in the health profession.