



### **BACKGROUND & SIGNIFICANCE**

### **NURSE FACULTY SHORTAGE**

- 2,100 nurse faculty vacancies (AACN, 2022)
- Job dissatisfaction contributing to nurse faculty shortage (AACN, 2020)
- Effective leadership has been associated with improved job satisfaction

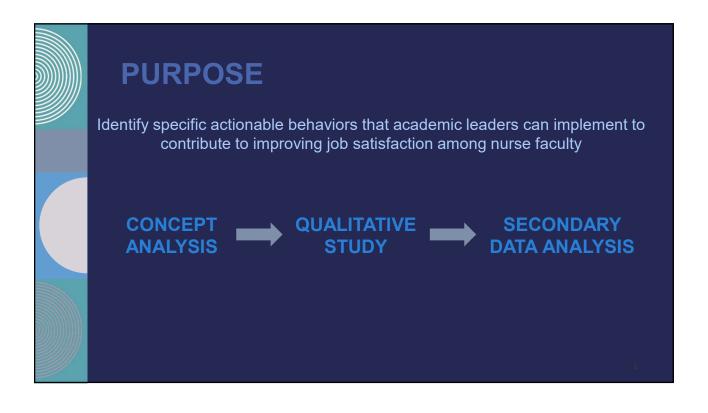
### IMPROVE NURSE FACULTY JOB SATISFACTION

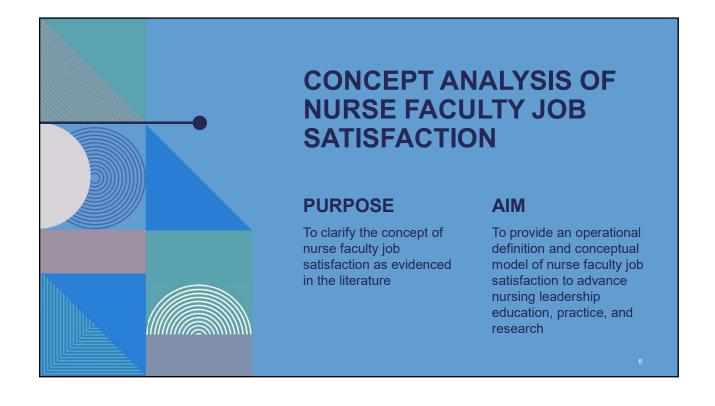
• On average, nurse faculty report **moderate job satisfaction** (Arian et al., 2018; Boamah, 2022)

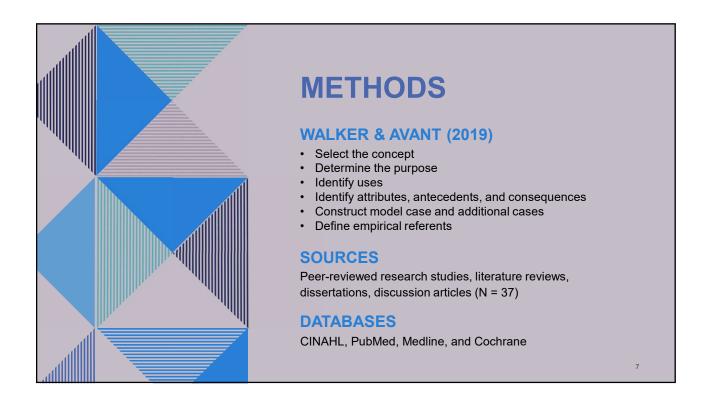
### LEADERSHIP AND NURSE FACULTY JOB SATISFACTION

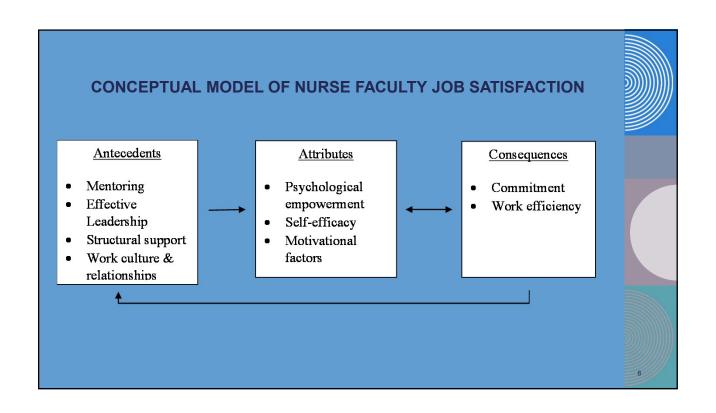
- Transformational leadership demonstrated positive impact on job satisfaction (Chen & Baron, 2006; Chen et al., 2005; Shieh et al., 2001; Worthy et al., 2020)
- No other relational leadership theories related to job satisfaction (Lambert, 2015; Patterson et al., 2020)

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# LEADERSHIP BEHAVIORS THAT IMPACT NURSE FACULTY JOB SATISFACTION

### **PURPOSE**

Identify behaviors that academic nurse leaders implement to improve nurse faculty job satisfaction

#### **SAMPLE**

- Six months or more in full/part time position
- 50% teaching workload

#### **SETTING**

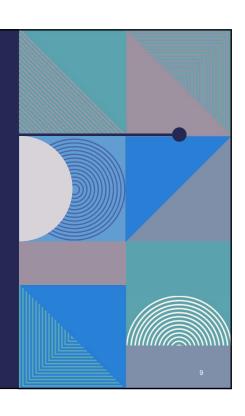
Higher education institutions in the U.S.

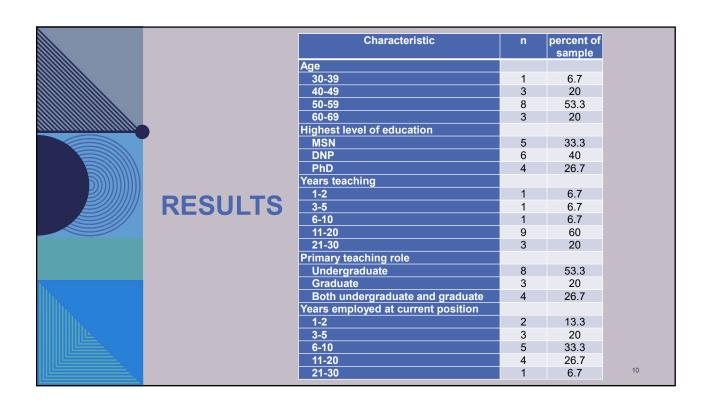
### **DATA COLLECTION**

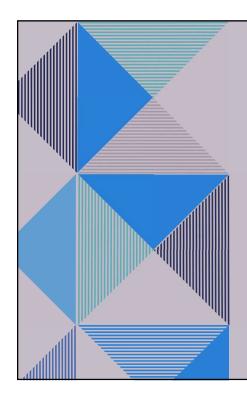
In-depth, semi-structured individual interviews

### **DATA ANALYSIS**

Inductive, thematic analysis







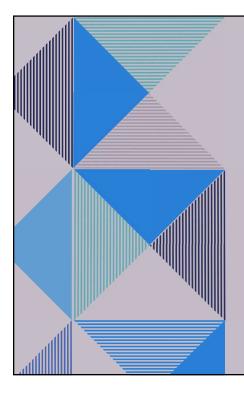
### **RESULTS**

## THEME I: BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WITH LEADERS & FACULTY

- · Invest in faculty
- · Implement the "Golden Rule"
- · Preserve harmony among faculty
- Manage conflict effectively
- Provide meaningful recognition
- Advocate for faculty

"The connection with each other as a unit, the connection with leadership, the connection with everybody."

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## **RESULTS**

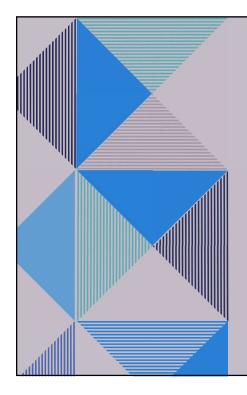
## THEME II: CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT WHERE AUTONOMY IS VALUED

- · Allow academic freedom
  - Managing student concerns
- Promote work-life harmony
  - Faculty input on workload
  - · Schedule flexibility
- · Honor faculty expertise

"She asks my opinion. She trusts my opinion."

"She supports decisions I make even if they aren't the decisions that she would make."

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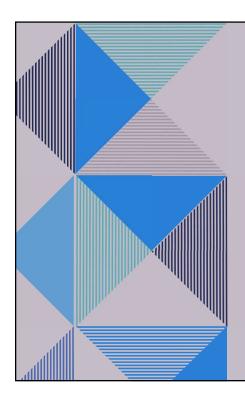
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## THEME III: FACILITATE FACULTY GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

- Provide adequate physical resources
- Provide frequent feedback
- · Create & sustain faculty mentoring programs
- Support faculty promotion

"And then I have somebody in the leadership chair that's going to help me [get] even be better at what I'm doing."

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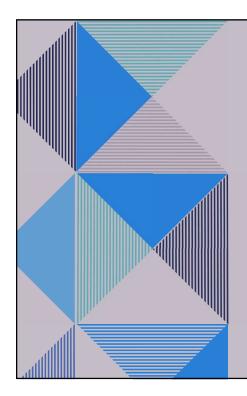
## **RESULTS**

### THEME IV: SERVE AS A ROLE MODEL

- Uphold policies and procedures
- Maintain professionalism
  - Accessibility
  - Responsiveness
  - Timeliness
- · Develop own leadership skills
- Embrace change

"She doesn't do anything she doesn't ask us to do."

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## **RESULTS**

### **NURSE FACULTY JOB SATISFACTION & PAY**

- · Underpaid, could make more in practice
- Enough to live comfortably
- Request for equitable pay

## NURSE FACULTY JOB SATISFACTION RESPONSIBILITY

- Joint effort
  - · Nurse faculty member
  - Leader
  - Peers
- Nurse faculty is most responsible for their own job satisfaction

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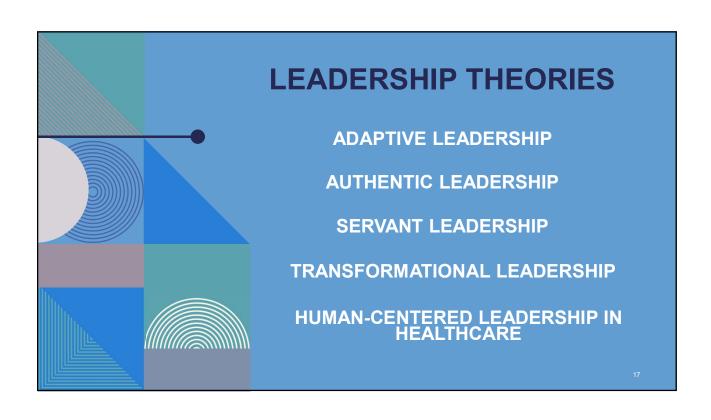
# CREATING AN ACTION GUIDE FOR ACADEMIC NURSE LEADERS

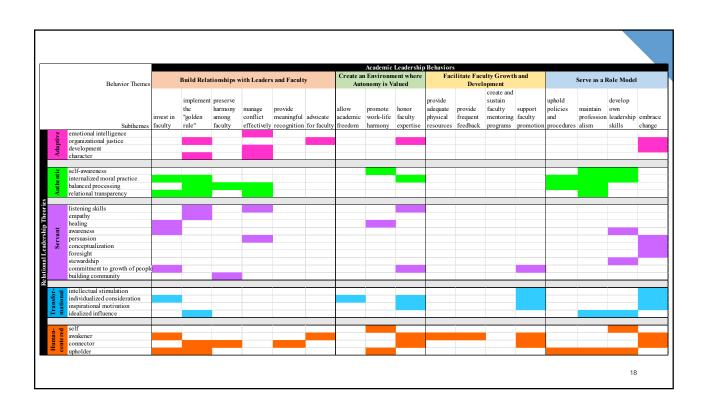
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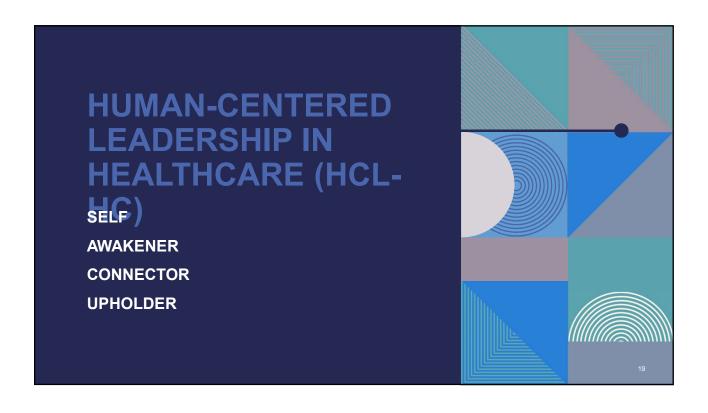
Create an action guide for academic nurse leaders

### **METHOD**

Secondary data analysis, inductive thematic approach



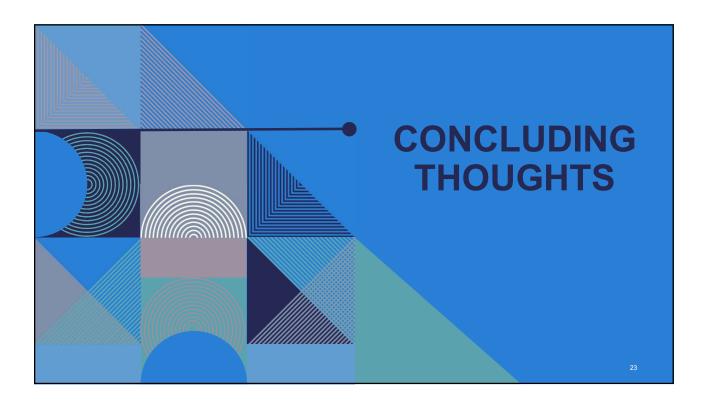


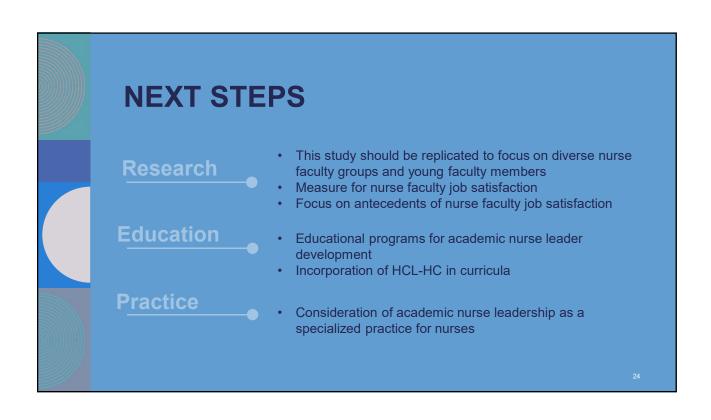


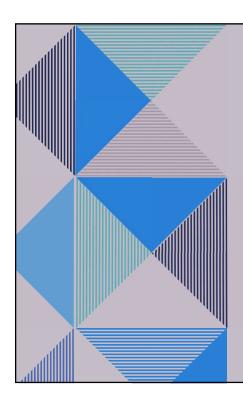
Action	Specific Behavior	HCL-HC Core Concept
1) Get to know your faculty	<ul> <li>Spend time with faculty by scheduling frequent meetings</li> <li>Ask about personal goals</li> <li>Ask about professional goals</li> <li>Ask about family considerations</li> <li>Remember the information shared for future discussions</li> <li>Ask how individual faculty like to be recognized for accomplishments</li> <li>Seek opportunities to provide recognition</li> </ul>	• Awakener

ACTION GUIDE			
Action	Specific Behavior	HCL-HC Core Concept	
2) Contribute to a positive work environment	<ul> <li>Foster camaraderie and teamwork</li> <li>Encourage and participant in workplace events</li> <li>Create and sustain mentorship</li> <li>Intentionally match nurse faculty for mentor/mentee relationships</li> <li>Serve as a mentor</li> <li>Be a mentee</li> <li>Role model behaviors expected of nurse faculty</li> <li>Clearly communicate expectations</li> <li>Know and understand policies and procedures</li> <li>Consistently uphold policies and procedures</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Awakener</li> <li>Connector</li> <li>Upholder</li> </ul>	

ACTION GUIDE				
Action 3) Invest in yourself	Specific Behavior  Maintain well-being Participate in self-reflection Journal Mediate Role model self-care for others	<ul><li>Self</li><li>Upholder</li></ul>		
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### **CONCLUSIONS**

#### CALL TO IMPROVE NURSE FACULTY JOB SATISFACTION

- Effective leadership is a modifiable antecedent of nurse faculty job satisfaction
- Specific academic leadership behaviors that impact nurse faculty job satisfaction:
  - Build relationships with leaders & faculty
  - · Create an environment where autonomy is valued
  - · Facilitate faculty growth and development
  - · Serve as a role model

#### TRANSLATING THEORY INTO PRACTICE

- · Human-centered leadership in healthcare
- Action guide for academic nurse leaders to use to improve nurse faculty job satisfaction:
  - · Get to know your faculty
  - Contribute to a positive work environment
  - Invest in yourself

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