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**News Release**

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**AANN and ABNN Announce New Foundation:  
The Agnes Marshall Walker Foundation (AMWF)**

**Chicago, IL— March 2014** — The American Association of Neuroscience Nurses (AANN) and the American Board of Neuroscience Nursing (ABNN) announce a new collaboration: the Agnes Marshall Walker Foundation (AMWF). The Foundation was started with a generous bequest left to AANN by Agnes Marshall Walker, a co-founder of AANN, as well as support from both AANN and ABNN. Agnes served on an AANN task force to develop a certification program for neuroscience nurses and was a founding member of ABNN, subsequently serving as President. In 1983, the AANN Board of Directors established the Agnes M. Marshall keynote address to recognize her contributions to the profession. The keynote address in honor of Agnes is delivered each year at the AANN Annual Educational Meeting. Agnes was a loved and respected figure in the neuroscience nursing profession and her influence will live on through the AMWF. Through her 40 plus years of nursing, education, and leading, she retained her humor, spirit, and love for AANN and ABNN. We invite you to continue Agnes's legacy by making a donation to the foundation at [www.amwf.org/donations](http://www.amwf.org/donations). Every dollar donated to AMWF directly funds grants to help support neuroscience nursing professionals to further their education, research, and professional development.

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Grant applications for the 2014 cycle will be accepted in fall 2014. Check AMWF.org frequently for more information.

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**About AMWF**

*The Agnes Marshall Walker Foundation was formed in 2013 to support neuroscience nursing through education, research, professional development, and certification to promote excellence in patient care. For more information, visit [www.amwf.org](http://www.amwf.org).*