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Robert T. Dodge, PhD, MSN'96, RN, ANP, BC, CNS, AACRN, is a clinical associate professor of medicine at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine and a clinical director of the Infectious Diseases Clinic at Wake County Human Services in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Dodge has been working in the field of HIV/AIDS since 1992 through clinical care, education, research and administration. His clinical experiences range from public health to private institutions. He has participated in the educational training of nurses, physicians and pharmacists and has guided clinical trials that have created new ways of practice.

Dodge has been active on both local and national chapters of the Association of Nurses in AIDS Care (ANAC) and co-founded the North Carolina Triangle Chapter of ANAC in 1996. He participated in the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief program through Georgetown University School of Nursing and ANAC. He traveled to Africa to teach health care providers about treating HIV patients and to further develop their HIV and infectious disease programs.

Dodge developed the Bridge Counselor Program for Wake County Human Services to educate and provide short-term case management for newly diagnosed HIV patients in the community. The program tracks patients who have not been seen by a medical provider for the past nine months. The bridge counselor position has become a standard of care for all clinics in North Carolina funded by the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (CARE) Act.

Dodge has received numerous accolades, honors and awards for his commitment in the field of HIV/AIDS, including the St. Joseph College of Nursing's Alumni Awards Excellence in Nursing—Clinical Setting (2015) and the UNC School of Nursing's Distinguished Alumnus of the Year Award (2013).

Dodge earned a diploma in nursing from St. Joseph's College of Nursing in Syracuse, New York, a bachelor of nursing science from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, a master of science in nursing from Duke University School of Nursing and a PhD from the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. ■



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