

## Creighton Holly Wei Bio

Dr. Holly Wei is a Professor and Associate Dean for Research and Scholarship at the East Tennessee State University College of Nursing. She has earned her PhD in Nursing from the University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill and is a post-doctoral scholar of Dr. Jean Watson. Her research focuses on *organizational caring culture, leadership development, health promotion across the lifespan, and epigenetic biomarkers*.

Dr. Wei has published over 70 professional publications and delivered over 80 presentations, influencing tens of thousands of nurses globally. She is known nationally and internationally for her nursing practice models and Convergent Care Theory. Several hospitals have used her nursing models and theory to promote organizational caring culture and patient care quality. The leadership textbook she co-edited, *Visionary Leadership in Healthcare: Excellence in Policy, Ethics, and Practice*, has been a top seller on the Sigma Marketplace and was awarded the 2022 American Journal of Nursing (AJN) Book of the year and the 1<sup>st</sup> place winner in the Nursing Management and Leadership category.

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