

## Signature Senior Living is proud to announce that Dr. Sandi Petersen, DNP, APRN, has joined our team as our Geriatric Specialist over Quality and Clinical Services.

Dr. Petersen will provide the quality and clinical support to our communities, and continue to work to enhance our life enrichment and specialized Memory Care programming. We also provide our depositors for Memory Care private assessments and discussions with Dr. Petersen, prior to moving into our communities, to better serve their individual needs.

**Dr. Sandra Petersen** is the Program Track Administrator for the Masters in Nursing Leadership Program at UTMB. She has a Masters of Science in nursing from the University of Texas, a post-masters Geriatric Nurse Practitioner certificate from the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, a post-master's Family Nurse Practitioner certificate from Northern Kentucky University and a Doctorate in Nursing Practice from Rush University School of Nursing in Chicago, IL.

She has authored numerous articles relating to assisted living, memory care, hospice, home care, and nursing leadership that have appeared in key related trade journals and throughout various educational documents. She professionally lectures throughout the country at seminars and before professional organizations; she has also served as an adjunct professor in the nursing education programs at the University of Texas at Tyler and East Texas Baptist University.

Dr. Petersen is a member of the Assisted Living Federation of America (ALFA) Nurse Action Committee, the National Conference of Geriatric Nurse Practitioners, NHPCO, Texas Nurses Association, Sigma Theta Tau International, and the American Geriatrics Society. She was the recipient of the 2007 Heart of Hospice Award from the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization. The Heart of Hospice National award recognizes efforts of NCHPP (National Council of Hospice & Palliative Professionals) members who have attained repeated outstanding achievements in hospice and made contributions with impact beyond hospice.