

## Retired Assistant Surgeon General Joins GSN

Retired U.S. Public Health Service Rear Admiral Carol A. Romano has joined the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences' Graduate School of Nursing (GSN) as associate dean for Academic Affairs. Romano succeeds Army Col. Bruce Schoneboom, who left the university in July to attend the National Defense University in Washington, D.C. Sandra Bibb, DNSc, RN, served as the interim associate dean between July and November.



In this academic capacity, Romano will hold a faculty appointment in the GSN while serving the school administratively, having direct responsibility for all GSN academic programs and also serving as the selected senior executive to liaison between the GSN's Dean's office and the Federal Nursing Service Chiefs. She also will assist with communication and coordination of initiatives related to the improvement of readiness/operational curriculum and clinical site availability for the education of students, ensuring that systems are in place for evaluation of clinical sites and preceptors for accreditation purposes.

“Dr. Romano was selected because of her academic experience, uniformed service background and success in reaching the pinnacle of career achievement as the Assistant Surgeon General of the United States and Chief Nursing Officer in the U.S. Public Health Service,” said GSN Dean Dr. Ada Sue Hinshaw. “We’re thrilled that she has chosen to join in our mission to educate and train the next generation of military nurses and we are confident that she will hit the ground running since she already is extremely familiar with the environment and our stakeholders.”