Military Nurse Veterans Wanted for a Research Study

I am requesting that you seriously consider participating in a TriService Nursing Research study titled *Embracing the Past, Informing the Future: Military Nurses Wartime Experiences*. The purpose of this research is to obtain actual accounts of nurses for both historical value and to gather important *lessons learned* to improve training for current and future military nurses. Researchers are currently recruiting nurses from all services who have served overseas in a combat zone during wartime. Because of age concerns, they are directing initial efforts toward collecting data from veterans of WWII and the Korean War. Once that is accomplished, they will then begin compiling a database of interested nurse veterans from Vietnam, Gulf War, Iraq and Afghanistan. Our sister associations, Army Nurse Corps Association and the Navy Nurse Corps Associations are also participating. Col. (Ret) Mary Smolenski is a consultant for this project representing the Air Force perspective. If you meet the criteria, I highly encourage you to participate in this worthwhile research. Participants will not be paid for their time, but their assistance may help future military nurses.

If you would like to learn more about this study, please contact: LTC Kristal Melvin, Center for Nursing Science, Madigan Army Medical Center, at 253-968-2289 or send an email to: nursehistorystudy@gmail.com.