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### **Sanders Receives \$500 Undergraduate Research Grant**

Jacob Sanders was recently awarded a \$500 grant from the Office of Undergraduate Research and Scholarly Activity (URSA) for his proposal entitled "The Impact of Evidence-Based Practice on Pain Management Outcomes, Registered Nurses' Awareness of EBP, and RN's Overall Perception of Pain Management."

Sanders, a senior nursing major from Murray, Ky., will conduct research on evidence-based practice (EBP) in nursing. EBP is a process used by nurses to make decisions in pain management situations. EBP incorporates evidence from research and clinical practice and client preferences into clinical decisions. Sanders' research could be used to further promote the use of EBP by nurses in pain management and acute care facilities.

Dr. Dana Manley, Assistant Professor of Nursing, will serve as Sanders' faculty mentor on the project. "Jacob has consistently been an outstanding nursing student and demonstrates excellent organizational and communication skills. Jacob has great potential as a future nursing researcher and exhibits a desire to develop those skills necessary to support that role," Manley said of Sanders.

Sanders plans to present his findings at MSU's *Scholars Week*, which will take place April 20-24, 2009.

More information about the URSA program can be found online at <http://campus.murraystate.edu/services/ursa/> or by calling (270) 809-3192.