Dear Denise...

I am happy to provide permission to you to use/reproduce the Star Model under the fair-use rule, with the stipulation that credit is cited. If you are re-publishing the copyrighted material (as in publishing in a journal or book), specific permission is required by the publisher. In that case, there is usually a template letter of permission from the publisher that I will readily sign.

Please note that the model has been renamed to “Stevens Star Model of Knowledge Transformation.” I have attached an image that you may use.

Another resource is the Essential EBP Competencies booklet that was developed through ACE...the description of the development is found at http://nursing.uthscsa.edu/onsr/starmodel/ebp_compet.asp. If you're interested in ordering an Essential Competencies booklet, just let me know and I will send the order form ($30).

A number of clinical agencies and academic institutions have benefitted from using our EBP readiness survey, called the EBP - Readiness Inventory (ERI). The ERI is a self-report instrument based on national consensus EBP competencies (Stevens, 2005 & 2009). The survey is administered electronically and can be used to assesses EBP Readiness in both clinician and student populations. If you are interested in more information about this instrument, contact me.

On another note, I am also involved with the Improvement Science Research Network (ISRN). The ISRN's work is to advance the emerging field of improvement science. Our mission is to advance the scientific foundation for quality improvement, safety and efficiency through transdisciplinary research addressing healthcare systems, patient centeredness, and integration of evidence into practice. It provides a laboratory to greatly enhance feasibility and generalizability of NIH (National Institutes of Health) proposals in improvement science. Additionally, it provides an infrastructure for a national program of research to test quality improvement interventions, such as those conducted by DNP students. The ISRN is comprised of national members, the Network Coordinating Center and a Steering Council. Research Priorities were adopted for the ISRN as the best thinking to date about the direction that should be taken in improvement science. Please visit our ISRN website at www.ISRN.net for further details.

Many DNPs from across the nation have discovered that the ISRN projects are a good fit for improvement
projects…see our research priorities at http://isrn.net/research

You may have already located this article…it describes the **evolution of my work:**


I would like to hear more about your DNP project as it evolves. NP best practices is so very important.

If you have not already discovered the new world of “implementation science” I would like to say that you can frame your study in the “uptake of EBP” framework. NIH calls this “implementation research” and it studies not only the patient outcomes but also the organizational barriers and facilitators related to the adoption of best practices. …more if you want/need it J

I would relish hearing updates on your project…and your suggestions on how to improve/expand the Model.

Thank you for your interest in improving care and patient outcomes.

Best of luck with your project and much success in your career.

**Dr S**

...to the best of our knowledge
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**Sent:** Monday, October 17, 2016 10:28 AM

**To:** Center for Advancing Clinical Excellence

**Subject:** Fwd: Permission to use the ACE Star Model of Knowledge Transformation
Good Morning,

Following up on my email sent last week re: permission to use the image of your model in my thesis--Surgical Fire Safety in a Metropolitan Surgery Center.

Thank you,

Denise

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From: Denise Tola <Denise.Tola@georgetown.edu>
Date: Wed, Oct 12, 2016 at 5:08 PM
Subject: Permission to use the ACE Star Model of Knowledge Transformation
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To Whom it May Concern,

I am seeking permission to use the Star Model of Transformation in my DNP thesis. I utilized the model as my evidence based practice model for my project: "Surgical Fire Safety in a Metropolitan Surgery Center."

Thank you for your time!

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