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CONSTITUENTS ELECT NEW CCNE BOARD AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Washington, DC, August 2, 2023 - The Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) has successfully completed its 2023 elections process. Ballots were distributed to CCNE-accredited nursing education programs and nurse residency/fellowship programs, to be cast in the elections for the CCNE Board of Commissioners and the CCNE Nominating Committee. Ballots were cast electronically by institutions, resulting in an 88% response rate. The election results are presented below.

CCNE Board of Commissioners

Chief Nurse Administrator

Lori A. Escallier, PhD, RN, CPNP-PC, FAAN
Dean and Professor
College of Nursing
SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University
Brooklyn, NY

Faculty

Alham Abuatiq, PhD, CNE, RN
Associate Professor
College of Nursing
South Dakota State University
Brookings, SD

Practicing Nurse

Tina Martin, PhD, FNP-BC
Advanced Practice Registered Nurse
Neurology/Stroke Service
St. Dominic's Hospital
Jackson, MS

Professional Consumer

Giselle Holness, DNP, AGPCNP-BC, PMHNP-BC, NE-BC
Director, Nurse Practitioner Residency Program
North Florida/South Georgia Veteran Health Systems
Jacksonville, FL

Public Consumer

Barry Anton, PhD, ABPP
Self-Employed Psychologist
Tacoma, WA

CCNE Nominating Committee

Chair:

* Lee Schmidt, PhD, RN
Associate Professor; Executive Associate Dean for Academic Affairs
Assistant Dean, PhD in Nursing Program
Marcella Niehoff School of Nursing
Loyola University Chicago
Chicago, IL

Members:

Lucie Dlugasch, PhD, APRN, ANP-BC, FNP-C, FAANP, CNE
Associate Clinical Professor
Nicole Wertheim College of Nursing & Health Sciences
Florida International University
Miami, FL

Dena Evans, EdD, MPH, MSN, RN, CNE, CNL
Vice Dean for Academic Affairs
USF Health College of Nursing
The University of South Florida
Tampa, FL

Vivienne Friday, EdD, MSN, RN, MSOL
Interim Dean of Nursing, Chief Nurse Administrator
Goodwin University
East Hartford, CT

Raven Wentworth, DNP, RN, APRN, AGPCNP-BC, FNP-BC, CNE
Associate Professor
Department of Nursing
Freed-Hardeman University
Henderson, TN

* Selected by the members of the 2023 Nominating Committee to chair the 2024 Nominating Committee.

The Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education is an autonomous accrediting agency contributing to the improvement of the public's health. CCNE strives to promote the quality and integrity of baccalaureate, graduate, and residency/fellowship programs in nursing. As a voluntary, self-regulatory process, CCNE accreditation supports and encourages continuous quality improvement in nursing education and nurse residency/fellowship programs.

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