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CCNE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ELECTS 2027 OFFICERS

[Jean D'Meza Leuner](#), PhD, RN, CNE, FAAN, Barbara S. Witt Professor and Dean, College of Nursing and Health Sciences, Auburn University at Montgomery, in Montgomery, Alabama, has been elected Chair of the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) Board of Commissioners. Her term in the role of Chair will commence on January 1, 2027.

At its meeting on September 29-October 2, 2026, in addition to electing Dr. Leuner as Chair, the CCNE Board elected the following individuals to leadership positions: [Angela Taylor](#), PhD, RN, President Emerita at Sentara College of Health Sciences in Virginia, as Vice Chair; [Giselle Holness](#), DNP, AGPCNP-BC, PMHNP-BC, NE-BC, Director of the Nurse Practitioner Residency Program at the North Florida/South Georgia Veterans Health System, as Treasurer; and [Cindy Greenberg](#), DNSc, RN, PNP-PC, FAAN, Professor Emeritus in the School of Nursing, College of Health and Human Development at California State University, Fullerton, as Secretary. All officers are elected to one-year terms and may be re-elected to the office for a second term.

"I am honored to work alongside nursing leaders from across the country to support CCNE as the premier standard-setting accrediting organization for baccalaureate and graduate nursing programs and nurse residency and fellowship programs," said Dr. Leuner, following the election of officers. "The year ahead will present opportunities and challenges, and I know that the CCNE Board of Commissioners is well positioned to traverse these junctures."

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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