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### CONSTITUENTS ELECT NEW CCNE BOARD AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Washington, DC, August 16, 2019 - The Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) has successfully completed its 2019 elections process. Ballots were distributed to CCNE-accredited nursing education programs (baccalaureate, master's, Doctor of Nursing Practice, and post-graduate APRN certificate) and CCNE-accredited entry-to-practice nurse residency programs (employee-based and federally funded traineeship), 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 a 73% response rate. The election results are presented below.

#### CCNE Board of Commissioners

##### Representing Chief Nurse Administrators

Ann White, PhD, RN, MBA, NE-BC  
Dean  
College of Nursing and Health Professions  
University of Southern Indiana  
Evansville, IN

##### Representing Faculty

Pamela Simmons, PhD, APRN, FNP-BC  
Senior Director and Professor  
College of Nursing and Health Professions  
Northwestern State University of Louisiana  
Shreveport, LA

##### Representing Practicing Nurses

Mary Jane Hanson, PhD, CRNP, FNP-BC, CNS, ACNS-BC, FAANP  
Family Nurse Practitioner  
LVPG Family Medicine-Albrightsville  
Lehighon, PA

##### Representing Professional Consumers

Kathleen Burke, PhD, RN-BC, CENP, FAAN  
Corporate Director, Nursing Professional Development and Innovation  
Penn Medicine  
Philadelphia, PA

## CCNE Nominating Committee

### Chair:

\*Leslie Neal-Boylan, PhD, APRN, CRRN, FAAN  
Dean, Solomont School of Nursing  
Vice Dean, Zuckerberg College of Health Sciences  
University of Massachusetts Lowell  
Lowell, MA

### Members:

Kimberly Brown, DNP, RN, CNE, NEA-BC  
Associate Professor, Nursing  
School of Nursing  
Radford University  
Roanoke, VA

Kelly Gallagher, MSN, RN, NE-BC  
Director, Nurse Residency Program  
Penn Medicine  
Philadelphia, PA

Dorothy Greene Jackson, PhD, RN, FNP  
Professor  
College of Nursing  
The University of Texas of the Permian Basin  
Odessa, TX

Kathleen Valentine, PhD, MS, RN  
Professor, Director, & Associate Dean  
School of Nursing  
Clemson University  
Clemson, SC

\*The members of the Nominating Committee elect one of its members to chair the committee the following year.

*The Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education is an autonomous accrediting agency contributing to the improvement of the public's health. CCNE ensures the quality and integrity of baccalaureate and graduate nursing education programs and entry-to-practice nurse residency programs. As a voluntary, self-regulatory process, CCNE accreditation supports and encourages continuing self-assessment by nursing programs and supports continuing growth and improvement of collegiate professional education and nurse residency programs.*

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