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

Washington, DC, August 4, 2020 - The Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE) has successfully completed its 2020 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 an 81% response rate. The election results are presented below.

#### CCNE Board of Commissioners

##### Representing Chief Nurse Administrators

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

##### Representing Faculty

Elizabeth Ritt, EdD, RN, NEA-BC, CNE  
Professor of Nursing  
Department of Nursing and Health  
Benedictine University  
Lisle, IL

##### Representing Practicing Nurses

Robyn Setter, MS, RN, NPD-BC  
Education Specialist  
The University of Kansas Health System  
Kansas City, KS

##### Representing Professional Consumers

Nicole Weimer, MSN, RN  
Director of Nursing for Professional Practice  
Banner Health  
Sun City West, AZ

## **Representing Public Consumers**

Stephanie LaPuma, PhD, MBA  
Academic Program Director  
Associate Dean of Health Professions  
Western Governors University  
Salt Lake City, UT

## **CCNE Nominating Committee**

### **Chair:**

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

### **Members:**

Janice Agazio, PhD, CRNP, RN, FAANP, FAAN  
Associate Dean  
Conway School of Nursing  
The Catholic University of America  
Washington, DC

Charles Hossler, PhD, MSN  
Senior Manager  
Academic Compliance & Engagement  
College of Health Professions  
Western Governors University  
Salt Lake City, UT

Tammie McCoy, PhD, MSN  
Dean  
College of Nursing and Health Sciences  
Mississippi University for Women  
Columbus, MS

Cynthia Russell, PhD, RN, FAAN, PCC, NBC-HWC  
Dean and Professor  
School of Nursing and Allied Health Professions  
Holy Family University  
Philadelphia, PA

\*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.*