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Candidate for: MNRS Board Member-at-Large



Personal Statement:

I would be honored to continue serving as a Member-At-Large on the Midwest Nursing Research Society's (MNRS) Board of Directors for another term. My qualifications, skills, and commitment to service at local, regional, and national/international professional organizations make me uniquely suited for this position. Since 2018, I have been serving on MNRS Board and have made significant contributions to the mission, vision, objectives, and strategic planning of MNRS.

I am an associate professor at the University of Illinois' College of Nursing with a master's degree in nursing education and a PhD in Epidemiology. My research focuses on modifiable multilevel risk factors for asthma and respiratory conditions, especially in children from underserved and vulnerable populations. I am actively engaged with community as well as professional organizations and have received several prestigious awards. For example, in 2013 I received a three-year Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Nurse Faculty Scholar Award. Furthermore, I am very committed to educating the future generation of nurse scholars and mentorship of students, junior faculty, and international scholars.

My overarching goals of advancing science on risk/preventive factors linked with asthma and facilitating the development of the future generation of nurse scholars and scientists in the United States and globally are closely aligned with the mission of MNRS. This is why I am very dedicated to MNRS. Before becoming a board member in 2018, I contributed to MNRS at different capacities serving as the chair the Health of Diverse Populations research section in 2014-2015, reviewing grant applications as well as conference abstracts, and co-leading a preconference workshop in 2015. Since being elected to MNRS Board in 2018, I have actively participated in all Board activities and significantly contributed to strategic planning and efforts aimed at advancing junior as well as midcareer nurse scholars and scientists. Currently, I serve as MNRS Board liaison on the Diversity Taskforce as well as the Awards and Grants committees.

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If I am elected to the Board of Directors of MNRS, I plan to continue advocating for active recruitment of diverse nurse scholars and scientists to grow the membership. In addition, I will work toward expanding collaboration and networking opportunities for members and improving mentorship of advanced students as well as junior and midcareer faculty. In addition, I aspire to continue working with colleagues to establish a weekly or monthly electronic bulletin highlighting nursing research as well as researchers.

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