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On behalf of the Mississippi Nurses' Association's Board of Directors, I am honored to welcome you to the Mississippi Nurses' Association's 107th Annual Convention, *Racing to Meet Nursing Challenges of Today and Tomorrow*. I know you'll enjoy joining with your colleagues from across the State of Mississippi and our surrounding states as you experience this much-anticipated event!

Clinical, leadership, workshops, and trending topics – the Convention offers a plethora of continuing education sessions from which to select. Take time to connect with our numerous exhibitors during the *Making Waves Exhibitors Expo* featuring the latest in products and services. Don't miss an opportunity to network with your colleagues at the *University of Mississippi Medical Center School of Nursing Alumni Reception for alumni and friends* at the Biloxi Visitors Center on Wednesday evening, and during our event-themed breaks during Convention.

The House of Delegates is a key component of Convention. The decisions of the House of Delegates will be instrumental in determining the strategic direction of MNA. This year’s House of Delegates will convene on Wednesday, October 24th to elect four MNA Board positions: Vice President; Secretary; Director, Council on Nursing Research; Director, Council on Health Affairs; Director, Council on Nursing Practice; and Director, Council on Advanced Practice. The House of Delegates is important to MNA and to the advancement of the nursing profession. I commend all the MNA members serving in the House of Delegates.

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February 19, 2019:
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March 4, 2019:
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April 11-13, 2019:
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August 6-18, 2019:
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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2018
Mississippi Coast Coliseum & Convention Center
7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  Registration
12:30 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. Pre-Convention Session: Knowing Me, Knowing You: Provider Self Awareness to Improve Patient Outcomes

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2018
Mississippi Coast Coliseum & Convention Center
7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.  Registration
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Mississippi Nurses Foundation Silent Auction
8:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. House of Delegates
8:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Continuing Education Sessions
12:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.  Wednesday Luncheon
1:50 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Continuing Education Sessions and Workshop
5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. UMMC Alumni Reception – Biloxi Visitors Center

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2018
Mississippi Coast Coliseum & Convention Center
7:00 a.m. - 7:50 a.m. District Presidents’ Breakfast
7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  Registration
7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Exhibitors Expo
8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Mississippi Nurses Foundation Silent Auction
8:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Continuing Education Sessions
10:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Abstract Poster Session
12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. Sigma Theta Tau Luncheon Sponsored by Mississippi University for Women Zeta Rho Chapter
12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. Thursday Luncheon
1:15 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. RN Plenary - Board of Nursing Update - Dedicated to RNs
1:15 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Continuing Education Sessions and Workshops
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Incredible Dinners

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2018
Mississippi Coast Coliseum & Convention Center
6:45 a.m. - 7:30 a.m. APRN Breakfast and Update
7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. APRN Registration
7:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Exhibitors Expo
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Joint Session with Students (RNs & APRNs)
8:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Continuing Education Sessions
10:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. APRN Board of Nursing Update - Dedicated to APRNs
12:20 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. APRN Friday Luncheon
1:50 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Continuing Education Sessions and Workshops
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Controlled Substances Update
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Tuesday, October 23, 2018:
Mississippi Coast Coliseum & Convention Center

7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Registration .................. MS Coast Coliseum & Convention Center Main Entrance

12:30 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. Pre-Convention Session (4.0 c/h) .......................... D4
- Knowing Me, Knowing You: Provider Self Awareness to Improve Patient Outcomes (incl. 1.0 Pharm Credit) with Roderick Green, MSN, PMHNP-BC
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7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Registration ................. MS Coast Coliseum & Convention Center
Main Entrance

8:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. 2018 House of Delegates (2.0 c/h) ..................... D5-8
• House of Delegates
  with Sandra Arnold, MSN, RN; Tomekia Luckett, PhD, RN; Alice Messer, DNP, RN, FNP-BC;
  Deloris Slade, MSN, FNP-BC; and Teresa Malone, MNA Executive Director

8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Concurrent Sessions (1.0 c/h)
• Experiencing & Promoting Empathy for Elderly with Sensory and Motor Deficits .......... .D2
  with Melesia Henry, PhD, RN
• Does Prematurity Contribute to Increase in Chronic Renal Disease. .................. .D3
  with Bobby Bellflower, DNSc, NNP-BC

9:35 a.m. - 10:35 a.m. Concurrent Sessions (1.0 c/h)
• Evidence-Based Spiritual Care ...................................................... .D2
  with Amy Smith, PhD, RN
• Contraceptives (incl. 1.0 Pharm Credit) ................................................ .D3
  with Elaine Kao, MD
  with Marilyn Harrington, PhD, RN, AGNP-C & Keyshawna Lee, PhD, RN

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Silent Auction with The Mississippi Nurses Foundation .... Lobby

10:35 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Concurrent Sessions (1.5 c/h)
• Effective Use of Pre-Briefing to Enhance the Simulation Experience ....................... .D2
  with Ashley Krebs, PhD, RN
• Beat the Challengers – Integrating INACSL Standards Across the Curriculum .......... .D3
  with Rebecca Cockrell, MSN, RN, CHSE & Alaina Herrington, MSN, RN, CHSE, CNOR

12:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Wednesday Luncheon (1.25 c/h)
• Enter the Room: Three Ways You Can Heal! ........................................ .Hall C
  with Pam Confer, PhD(c), MPPA

1:50 p.m. - 2:50 p.m. Concurrent Sessions (1.0 c/h)
• Optimizing Observer Roles to Revolutionize Your Simulation ............................. .D2
  with Sheri Howard, PhD, RN, CHSE
• In This Moment: An Exercise in Awareness, Leadership, and Selfcare. .................. .D3
  with Kathleen Quinn, EdD, MSN, RN, LPC
• CVC Maintenance Standardization (incl. 0.5 Pharm Credit) .............................. .D4
  with Wendy Trickey, MSN, RN & Kristen Long, MSN, RN
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2:50 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Break

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions (1.0 c/h)
- MNF Nurse Leadership Institute (NLI) Presentation ........................................ D2
  with Christy McGregor, MSN, RN & Kourtland Adams, MSN, RN
- Let’s Talk - Advanced Care Planning ......................................................... D3
  with Amber Chancelor, PhD, RN, CHPN
- Nursing Care for the Bariatric Patient (incl. 0.75 Pharm Credit) ......................... D4
  with Christy Davis, MSN, FNP-BC, CBN & Ron Permenter, BSN, RN, CBN

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Workshop (2.0 c/h)
- Kinesio Taping ...................................................................................... D9
  with Kisha Hamilton, DC

4:05 p.m. - 5:05 p.m. Concurrent Sessions (1.0 c/h)
- The Challenges of an Old Disease in the New Millennium (incl. 0.8 Pharm Credit) .... D2
  with Cathy Smith, DNP & Sally Pearson, DNP
- End of Life Nursing Education: Is It Really Important? (incl. 0.25 Pharm Credit) ........ D3
  with Debra Rhinewalt, BSN, RN, CHPN

5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Alumni Reception ....................................................... Biloxi Visitors Center
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Thursday, October 25, 2018:
Mississippi Coast Coliseum & Convention Center

7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Registration .............................................. MS Coast Coliseum & Convention Center
Main Entrance

7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Making Waves Exhibitors Expo ........................................ E3

7:00 a.m. - 7:50 a.m. District Presidents’ Breakfast ........................................... L3

8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon Silent Auction with The Mississippi Nurses Foundation .......... Lobby

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Concurrent Sessions (1.0 c/h)
- Emotional Intelligence in Nursing ............................................................... D2
  with Jenna Barton, PhD, RN, PCCN-K, CNE
- Behavioral Addictions (incl. 0.75 Pharm, 0.75 CS Credit) ............................. D3
  with Chaz Richardson, DO
- Chronic Wounds: A Growing Epidemic (incl. 0.66 Pharm, 0.25 CS Credit) .......... D4
  with Todd Shaffett, DNP, FNP, CWS, FACCWS, DAPWCA
- A Case for Integrative Medicine ................................................................... D9
  with Kimberly Cabe, FNP-BC
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• *Drug Diversion (incl. 1.0 Pharm, 1.0 CS Credit)* ........................................ D5-8
  with Tammy Reynolds, RN, DEA Captain

10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Visit with Exhibitors .............................................. E3

10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. RN/APRN Plenary (1.0 c/h)
• *Code Black: An Exciting Way to Depict the Synthesis of Nursing Information Through an Acute Care Simulation (incl. 0.25 Pharm Credit)* ........................................ D2
  with Marilyn Harrington, PhD, RN, AGNP-C & Robyn MacSorley, PhD, RN, CHSE

10:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Abstract Poster Session (1.0 c/h) ................... Niche Lobby
(closed from 11:20 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.)

12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. Thursday Luncheon (1.0 c/h) ........................... Hall C
• *Mississippi’s Health Needs*
  with Paul Byers, MD, State Epidemiologist
  Sponsored by: North Sunflower Medical Center

12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m. Sigma Theta Tau Luncheon (1.0 c/h) ................. L5-6
• *Nursing Challenges of Today and Tomorrow*
  with Donna Lewis Pritchard, MSN, RN, CFNP
  Sponsored by: Mississippi University for Women Zeta Rho Chapter

1:00 p.m. - 1:15 p.m. Visit with Exhibitors .............................................. E3

1:15 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. RN Plenary (1.5 c/h)
• *Dedicated to RN’s: MS Board of Nursing Update*
  with Melissa King, DNP, President MS BON; Phyllis Johnson, MSN, FNP-BC, Executive Director MS BON; Blake Ward, CRNA, MS BON Member; and Wesley Mutziger, JD, MS BON Attorney

1:15 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. Concurrent APRN Sessions (1.5 c/h)
• *Integrating Models of Improvement in Primary Care*
  with Geraldine Young, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC, CDE, NONPF Fellow
• *Hepatitis C (incl. 1.5 Pharm Credits)* ........................................... D4
  with Deloris Slade, MSN, FNP-BC

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions (1.0 c/h)
• *Practical Pediatric Dermatology (incl. 0.66 Pharm Credit)* ................ D2
  with Bryant McCrary, MD
• *Documentation, EMR, Litigation*
  with Anne Everett, MSN, RN & Tabatha Peninger, BSN, RN

3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Concurrent Session (1.5 c/h)
• *General Orthopedic for the Family Practice (incl. 0.5 Pharm Credit)* .... D4
  with Charles Moseley, FNP-BC
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3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. RN/APRN Workshop (2.0 c/h)
- Effective Management of Gastrostomy Tube Complications & Emergencies 
  (incl. 0.5 Pharm Credit) .............................................................. D9 
  with Michelle Goreth, MSN, RN-BC, CPNP-AC, CCRN-P, CTRN, CPEN, TCRN

4:05 p.m. - 5:05 p.m. Concurrent Sessions (1.0 c/h)
- Vestibulitis (incl. 1.0 Pharm Credit) .............................................. D2 
  with Michael McKay, MD
- The Importance of Airway Management (incl. 0.25 Pharm Credit)  ... D3 
  with Sam Marshall, NRP, CCEMTP, MS-CCP, FP-C

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Incredible Dinners . . . . . . . . . . Visit the MNA Mobile App for Details 
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Friday, October 26, 2018: 
Mississippi Coast Coliseum & Convention Center

6:45 a.m. - 7:30 a.m. APRN Breakfast & Update (0.75 c/h) ......................... Hall C 
  with Donnie Scoggin, FNP, MS House of Rep Dist 89; Rebecca Cagle, PhD, FNP-BC, 
  PMHNP-BC, RN, Past Director, Council on Advanced Practice; & Teresa Malone, 
  MNA Executive Director

7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. APRN Registration . . . . . . . . MS Coast Coliseum & Convention Center 
  ............................................................................................. Main Entrance

7:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Making Waves Exhibitors Expo ................................. D10-12

7:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Break with Exhibitors .............................................. D10-12

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Joint Session for RNs, APRNs and Students (MASN) (1.0 c/h)
- Child Abuse - We Can Make a Difference ........................................ D5-8 
  with Ta’shia Gordon, Special Asst. Atty. Gen’l, Bureau of Victim Assistance, 
  Mississippi Attorney General’s Office & Riley Herrin, Forensic Interviewer

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Concurrent APRN Session (1.0 c/h)
- Essential Oils (incl. 1.0 Pharm Credit) ............................................ D2 
  with Kimberly Cabe, FNP-BC

9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Break with Exhibitors ............................................. D10-12

9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Concurrent Sessions (1.0 c/h)
- New Medications & Healthier Lifestyles for Diabetes Management (incl. 1.0 Pharm Credit) ... D2 
  with Annette Hess, PhD, FNP-BC, CNS, COI
- Anti-Psychotic Medication Use in Mood Stabilization (incl. 1.0 Pharm Credit) ............... D3 
  with Shonda Phelon, DNP, FNP-BC, PMHNP-BC, GNP-BC
- Gut Health (incl. 0.5 Pharm Credit) .................................................. D4 
  with Laurie Ryba, MSN, MMS, FNP-BC, FAARFM, ABAAHP
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10:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. APRN Plenary (1.5 c/h)
- Mississippi Board of Nursing Panel Discussion and Update (incl 0.75 Pharm Credit) .......... D5-8 with Melissa King, DNP, President MS BON; Phyllis Johnson, MSN, FNP-BC, Executive Director MS BON; Teresa Stanford, DNP, MS BON Member; and Wesley Mutziger, JD, MS BON Attorney

12:20 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Friday APRN Luncheon (1.5 c/h)
- Health Literacy ................................................................. Hall C with Joy Deupree, PhD, CRNP, WHNP-BC

1:50 p.m. - 2:50 p.m. Concurrent Sessions (1.0 c/h)
- Sleep Disorders: A Review of Symptoms and Treatments (incl. 1.0 Pharm, 1.0 CS Credit) .... D2 with Roderick Green, MSN, PMHNP-BC
- Trauma Will Lie to You .............................................................. D3 with Courtney Townsend, MSN, NP, AGACNP-BC, FNP-BC, CCRN, NRP
- Utilizing Practice Management Guidelines to Improve Patient Outcomes .................... D4 with Deloris Slade, MSN, RN, FNP-BC

1:50 p.m. - 3:50 p.m. Workshops (2.0 c/h)
- EKG Interpretation (incl. 0.25 Pharm Credit) ............................................ D1 with Teresa Stanford, DNP
- Intra-Articular Injections (incl. 0.66 Pharm Credit) .................................... D9 with Bryan Combs, MSN, CRNP, FNP-BC, CNL, ATC

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Concurrent Sessions (1.0 c/h)
- Safety in Prescribing Anti-Obesity Medications (incl. 1.0 Pharm, 1.0 CS Credit) .......... D2 with Christy Davis, FNP-BC, CBN
- Gotta Go–Can’t Go: The Role of Physical Therapy Management Pelvic Dysfunction .......... D3 with Gaye Stewart-Damron, PT

4:05 p.m. - 6:05 p.m. Controlled Substances Workshop (2.0 c/h)
- Controlled Substances Update (incl. 2.0 Pharm, 2.0 CS Credits) ............................. D9 with Sueanne Davidson, DNP, FNP-BC
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23
PRE-CONVENTION SESSION
12:30 P.M. - 4:45 P.M.

Knowing Me, Knowing You: Provider Self Awareness to Improve Patient Outcomes
Roderick Green, MSN, PMHNP-BC

Roderick Green has over 22 years experience as a health care professional, with over seven years of experience as a psychiatric RN. In 2012, Mr. Green graduated from UMMC's School of Nursing’s Adult Psychiatric Mental Health NP program and began his practice on the receiving units at MS State Hospital. In that role he worked with substance abuse, serious and chronic mental illness, and the emotionally distraught.

He is currently employed with Precise Clinical Neuroscience Specialists and was previously with UMMC at the Center for Telehealth as a telemedicine psychiatric NP and served a population of patients ages 13 and up.

His nursing experience includes Medical-Surgical, OR, ICU, Bone Marrow Transplant, Nursing Management, Med psych and Ortho-Neuro Rehab nursing care at the UMMC in Jackson. Prior to becoming a nurse, Mr. Green served five years as a corpsman in the US Navy.
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24
WEDNESDAY LUNCHEON SPEAKER
12:30 P.M. - 1:45 P.M.

Enter the Room: Three Ways You Can Heal!

Pam Confer, PhD(c), MPPA

Pam Confer is an international, award-winning, bilingual professional speaker, author, editor of publications, singer, songwriter, and public relations consultant.

She is the founder of Speak BIG!, a communications and public speaking program inspiring all to Speak Up! Speak Out! And Speak Often! Ms. Confer holds a Master of Public Policy and Administration degree, and is currently completing her PhD in Public Policy and Administration from Jackson State University. Ms. Confer is the recipient of numerous awards and is an accomplished entertainer. She recently recorded the song “Mississippi Beautiful” as a tribute to Mississippi’s bicentennial and the opening of the Mississippi Civil Rights Museum and Museum of Mississippi History.
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25
THURSDAY LUNCHEON SPEAKER
12:00 NOON - 1:00 P.M.

Mississippi’s Health Needs
Paul Byers, MD, State Epidemiologist, Mississippi State Department of Health

Dr. Paul Byers received his Bachelor of Science degree from Mississippi College and attended Medical School at The University of Mississippi School of Medicine, where he also completed an internship in Internal Medicine.

He has participated in many public health responses, including Hurricane Katrina and subsequent hurricanes, and has been involved in the investigations of multiple diseases and conditions of public health significance including Legionnaires' disease and foodborne outbreaks, among others. He serves on the Continuing Medical Education Committee for the Mississippi Association of Public Health Physicians, and on the Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee as well as the Institutional Review Board for the Department of Health.

He is a respected author of numerous publications and distinguished presenter on the subjects of Epidemiology and Public Health. Dr. Byers is renowned for his commitment to the citizens of Mississippi and his outstanding work in public health.
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25
SIGMA THETA TAU LUNCHEON SPEAKER
12:00 NOON - 1:00 P.M.

Nursing Challenges of Today and Tomorrow
Donna Lewis Pritchard, MSN, RN, CFNP

Donna Pritchard has over 27 years of nursing experience, currently serving as the Chief Nurse Executive/Vice President of Nursing for North Mississippi Health Services/North Mississippi Medical Center. In this role, Ms. Pritchard represents and is responsible for all facets of nursing within a healthcare system that employs over 900 nurses in its flagship hospital in Tupelo, its five affiliated community hospitals, and its 32 clinics in northeast Mississippi and northwest Alabama.

Ms. Pritchard completed the FNP program at the University of Alabama Birmingham, received a Master of Science Degree in Nursing Administration from the University of Alabama in Huntsville and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing from the University of North Alabama.
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25 &
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26
BOARD OF NURSING UPDATES

Melissa King, DNP
President, Mississippi Board of Nursing

Dr. Melissa H. King is the Chief Clinical Officer with eMD Telehealth Solutions with service areas including the states of Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Tennessee. She is a family and emergency nurse practitioner with specialized training in emergency medicine with over 19 years’ experience in emergency care across the nation. Dr. King is focused on enhancing access and quality care for patients in both rural and urban settings. Education and utilization of nurse practitioners in emergency medicine through the development of a robust interdisciplinary didactic and clinical training program is another primary focus and passion. Dr. King is involved in continued research in areas of patient quality, outcomes, and satisfaction. In addition to her participation with numerous organizations at the state and national level associated with Telehealth and advanced practice provider practices, Dr. King also serves as the President of the Mississippi Board of Nursing.
Convention Speakers

Thursday, October 25 & Friday, October 26
Board of Nursing Updates

Phyllis Johnson, MSN, FNP-BC
Executive Director, Mississippi Board of Nursing

Phyllis Johnson is the Executive Director of the Mississippi Board of Nursing. Prior to assuming the role as Executive Director, she served as the Director of Advanced Practice at the Mississippi Board of Nursing. She attended Mississippi University for Women where she received both her BSN and MSN. Prior to joining the Board of Nursing, she was employed as a Family Nurse Practitioner at the Department of Veterans Affairs Sonny Montgomery Medical Center (VA) in Jackson, serving in numerous administrative and clinical roles. In addition to her nursing degrees, she obtained a Master of Science degree in Biology with emphasis in Genetics and Molecular Biology. Ms. Johnson retired from the US Navy Reserves at the rank of Commander. She served as the Senior Medical Provider for the Navy Operations Support Center and was responsible for the medical readiness of approximately 200 members.
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26
JOINT SESSION SPEAKER
8:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.

Child Abuse Laws, Reporting Duties

Ta’Shia Gordon, Special Assistant Attorney General,
Bureau of Victim Assistance, Mississippi Attorney General’s Office

Ta’Shia Gordon is a Special Assistant Attorney General with the Mississippi Attorney General’s Office working with the Children’s Division of the Bureau of Victim Assistance. Ms. Gordon collaborates with other state agencies and organizations to work to improve the juvenile justice and child welfare systems to reduce juvenile delinquency, truancy, drop-out rates, cyberbullying, exploitation of children, child abuse, and child neglect through training and technical assistance. Ms. Gordon is tasked with special projects, coordinates the Mental Health Task Force meetings, and manages the Annie E. Casey Foundation’s Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative grant.

Ms. Gordon earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from Mississippi State University, and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Mississippi School of Law. She has dedicated a great deal of her career to improving the lives of children, and has extensive knowledge and experience in general chancery court practice, family and civil law matters, and judicial administration. Ms. Gordon formerly served as Deputy Director of the Administrative Office of Courts at the Mississippi Supreme Court, and has also been a Staff Attorney and Court Administrator in the Fifth, Sixth and Seventh Chancery Court Districts in Mississippi. Ms. Gordon worked as a Staff Attorney for Family Violence and Victims Services in the Family and Children Division for the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, and was also employed as a Staff Attorney for the Mississippi Department of Human Services Child Support Enforcement Division.
Abused Not Broken-A Child’s Story
Riley Herrin, Forensic Interviewer
Kids HUB Child Advocacy Center

Riley Herrin has been working with survivors of sexual violence since 2010 as a victim advocate. She currently works for Kids HUB Child Advocacy Center as a Forensic Interviewer. She has been trained in ChildFirst Protocol, Family and Victim Advocacy, Darkness to Light, Green Dot Bystander Intervention, and has given over 250 presentations focusing on primary prevention of sexual violence and education.

Ms. Herrin found her passion in helping others, specifically survivors of sexual violence, early in life. She started her career as a victim advocate and prevention educator in 2010 working at the Shafer Center for Crisis. During her time at Shafer, Ms. Herrin worked closely with survivors of all ages and provided numerous presentations. Ms. Herrin is a Master’s Degree Social Work student at the University of Southern Mississippi where she acts as Co-President of the Student Association of Social Workers.
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26
FRIDAY LUNCHEON SPEAKER
12:20 P.M. - 1:45 P.M.

Health Literacy

Joy P. Deupree, PhD, CRNP, WHNP-BC

Dr. Joy Deupree is Director of Community Engagement and an Associate Professor at the University of Alabama Birmingham (UAB) School of Nursing where she serves as a consultant for research and doctoral studies with a focus on promotion of health and healthcare for underserved and vulnerable populations. For 18 years she has taught an interprofessional campus-wide course and conducts workshops for educational sessions on the topic of health literacy. Dr. Deupree established the Alliance of International Nurses for Improved Health Literacy in 2012 (an online forum); the mission of the organization is to advance the health literacy research agenda by nursing to create successful nursing interventions; improve quality of patient care for low literate populations; and to promote educational standards for nurses who care for low literate populations. Because of her work in health policy and health literacy, Dr. Deupree was one of 20 nurses nationwide chosen for the highly competitive Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Nurse Executive Fellowship (2014-2017). In 2015, as a gubernatorial appointee to the Alabama Health Care Improvement Task Force, Dr. Deupree garnered support for the establishment of the Alabama Health Literacy Initiative and serves as the Chair of the Initiative. Previously, Dr. Deupree earned a master’s degree in women’s health nursing, and a BSN from UAB School of Nursing. She earned her PhD for Health Promotion/Health Behavior in 2011 via a joint program from the Schools of Public Health and Health Education at UAB and the School of Human Studies at the University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.
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Abstract Poster Session: Thursday, October 25
A traditional poster session designed to provide you an opportunity to explore innovative strategies and research that are enhancing clinical, patient, and educational outcomes through evidence-based nursing practice. Authors will be available to discuss their projects with you!

Council on Nursing Research

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Mississippi Nurses’ Association
House of Delegates
October 24, 2018

Call to Order: ............................................. Debra Allen, MSN, RN, MNA President
Pledge of Allegiance
Invocation
Appointment of Tellers
Establishment of a Quorum
Adoption of Standing Rules of Order
Adoption of Agenda
Approval of Minutes from 2017: ....................... Sandra Arnold, MSN, RN, MNA Secretary
Report from Nominating Committee: .................. Ann Barnes, BSN, RN, Chair
Receipt of Nominations from the Floor
Candidate’s Remarks
President’s Report: ........................................ Debra Allen, MSN, RN, MNA President
Treasurer’s Report: ................................. Carl Mangum, PHD, PMHNP, Treasurer
Membership Report: ..................................... Tonya Moore, PhD, RN, Vice President
Report from Mississippi Nurses Foundation: ...... Ann Barnes, BSN, RN, MNF President
& Rosalyn Howard, MNF Executive Director
Report from MASN: ....................................... Sav Schulz, MASN President
Introduction of Resolutions: ....................... Deloris Slade, MSN, FNP-BC, Director Council on
Organizational Affairs
Executive Director’s Report & Legislative Update: ... Teresa Malone, Executive Director
Old Business:
New Business:
Presentation of New Officers
Closing Announcements

*Breaks and lunch will be inserted into the Agenda by the Chair
House of Delegates Rules & Procedures

1. Only delegates shall be seated in the section reserved for the House of Delegates. All delegates must wear their official name badge to all sessions of the House.

2. Delegate substitutions by an alternate must be authorized by the appropriate District President prior to the participation of the alternate.

3. All questions concerning those entitled to vote shall be referred to the Credentials Committee. Final seating of contested delegates shall present his/her voting ticket to election officials before being issued an official ballot.

4. A one minute speech may be allowed for each nomination from the floor of the House.

5. Any resolution presented by a delegate to the House of Delegates not approved by an appropriate MNA structural unit or the Committee on Resolutions must receive a majority vote by the House to reach the floor and a three-fourths vote to be adopted.

6. Emergency resolutions may be submitted to the MNA Committee on Resolutions at Convention by 4:30 p.m. on October 23, 2018. Resolutions should be given to a MNA staff member at registration. These must be signed by an official representative of the group submitting the resolution. If the Committee is in doubt about the emergency nature or advisability of the resolution submitted in the prescribed manner, the resolution is referred to the MNA President, who may refer it to the Board of Directors for a final decision.

7. The delegates shall act initially on the resolves and then on the enabling clauses of any resolution being presented to the House.

8. To obtain the floor, a delegate shall approach a floor microphone and address the chair, “Madam President.” Upon recognition by the chair, the delegate shall give name and district, and may speak.

9. All main motions and amendments shall be in writing on the official motion form, signed by the maker and the seconder, and shall be sent directly to the Monitor for immediate processing and forwarding to the Chair as soon as the speaker is recognized.

10. No delegate shall speak more than twice to the same questions on the same day. The second opportunity may be granted only after every other delegate desiring the floor has spoken.

11. Debate shall be limited to three minutes per person. Extension of time may be granted by a majority vote of the House.
12. Any member of MNA who is not a delegate may be granted the privilege of the floor, but shall speak only once to a question and only after all delegates wishing to speak have had the opportunity to speak. When giving name and district, such member shall indicate that he or she is not a delegate.

13. Business interrupted by an adjournment of the meeting of the House of Delegates shall be resumed at the next meeting of the House of Delegates at the point where it was interrupted.

14. To minimize disruption of the work of the House of Delegates and all related meetings, all electronic devices shall be set to vibrate.

15. These Convention Rules shall be amended or suspended by a two-thirds vote of the House.
Responsibilities of the MNA Board of Directors

President .......................................................... Debra Allen, MSN, RN
The President elected at each odd-year convention serves the Association for a two-year term.
• Presides at Board of Directors’ meeting and the MNA House of Delegates
• Represents the Association in all official matters
• Serves as a representative to the American Nurses’ Association Membership Assembly
• Appoints committees and the members of same with the approval of the Board of Directors
• Keeps the Board of Directors informed on matters of importance to the association
• Reports activities of the Board of Directors to the Membership

Vice President ........................................... Tonya Moore, PhD, RN
The Vice President, elected at each even-year convention serves for a two-year term. The Vice President is responsible for activities related to membership which includes, but is not limited to, recruitment, retention, and member services. Additionally, the Vice President presides in the absence of the President.

Secretary .................................................. Sandra Arnold, MSN, RN
The Secretary, elected at each even-year convention serves a term of office for two years.
• Responsible for record keeping and reporting of meetings to MNA.
• Embosses signature as required on documents to meet official requirements.
• Performs other duties as is usual and customary to the office.

Treasurer ............................................................ Carl Mangum, PhD, PMHNP
The Treasurer, elected at each odd-year convention serves a term of office for two years. The Treasurer works with the Finance Committee and the Executive Director in running the financial affairs of the association.

Director, Council on Advanced Practice ...... Rebecca Cagle, PhD, FNP-BC, PMHNP-BC
The Director shall be concerned with issues related to the advanced practice nurse, i.e. nurse practitioners and certified mid-wives. This Council also assists in planning the Nurse Practitioner Spring Conference and the fall workshop in October.

Director, Council on Health Affairs ............ Alice Messer, DNP, RN, FNP-BC
The Council on Health Affairs is responsible for assisting with activities relating to: the relevant, scientific and educational development and changes in health needs and practices and delivery systems; state and national affairs, legislation, and policies; and liaison with other health organizations for the advancement of health care.
Director, Council on Nursing Education .................. Tomekia Luckett, PhD, RN
This Council is specifically responsible for recommending continuing education policy and revisions to the Board of Directors. The Director is responsible for meeting with the Provider Unit, a standing committee under the Council on Nursing Education. The Director should be familiar with the MNA Self Study where the Continuing Education process is clearly defined.

Director, Council on Nursing Practice . . . Shonda Phelon, DNP, FNP-BC, PMHNP-BC, GNP-BC
The Director shall be concerned with advancing the practice of nursing which relate to the scope of standards of nursing practice; the ethical and legal aspects of nursing practice; the practice of individual nurses; and the trends for improvement of health care with nursing practice implications.

Director, Council on Nursing Research .......................... Vacant
This Council is concerned with advancing the profession of nursing through MNA sponsored activities which relate to the improvement of health care; social, scientific, and educational changes in health needs; protection of human subjects through established standards, and methods in research; research promotions; and the development of theory and dissemination of findings.

Director, Council on Organizational Affairs .......... Deloris Slade, MSN, RN, FNP-BC
This Council on Organizational Affairs is responsible for assisting with activities that relate to the growth and maintenance of the organization including the Annual Convention. The Council is composed of the committees on Bylaws, Convention Planning, and Awards.
Candidates for MNA Board of Directors

The House of Delegates for the 107th Mississippi Nurses’ Association Convention will elect two Board officers, and four Council Directors on Wednesday, October 24, 2018. The delegates will elect the Vice President, Secretary, and Directors for the Councils on Nursing Research, Health Affairs, Nursing Practice, and Advanced Practice. Ten candidates have declared for the MNA Board of Directors. Nominations may also be made from the floor.

**Vice President**
Tonya Moore, PhD, RN .................................................. (District 13)

**Secretary**
LaDonna Northington, DNS, RN, BC ..................................... (District 13)
Johnnie Sue Wijewardane, PhD, APRN, FNP-BC, FAANP ............... (District 18)

**Director, Council on Nursing Research**
Janie Butts, PhD, RN .......................................................... (District 08)

**Director, Council on Health Affairs**
Tonya Harbison, PhD, CFNP .............................................. (District 06)

**Director, Council on Nursing Practice**
Walterine Nelson, PhD, RN-BC ........................................... (District 02)
Donna Lewis Pritchard, MSN, RN, FNP-BC .............................. (District 25)
Debra Rhinewalt, BSN, CHPN .............................................. (District 18)

**Director, Council on Advanced Practice**
Shonda Phelon, DNP, FNP-BC, PMHNP-BC, GNP-BC .................. (District 32)
Geraldine Young, DNP, APRN, FNP-BC, CDE, NONPF Fellow ........... (District 13)

The Board positions shall each serve a term of office for two years. He/she will assume the duties of the position at the close of the annual meeting.
POSITION OF VICE PRESIDENT
Candidates who have qualified for this position:

Tonya Moore, PhD, RN

Biographical Profile: Dr. Tonya Moore is a motivated professional with 23 years of nursing experience. She is a proven leader, collaborator, and strategic partner. Dr. Moore has a track record of success in creating and expanding programs to achieve organizational goals. Moore has served one complete term as Vice President for MNA Board of Directors. Immediately prior to serving as Vice President, she served as Secretary. Dr. Moore has served as president of District 13 and led efforts to increase membership by more than 100 members, improved the operational budget by more than $6,000, and instituted the first on-line electronic voting process in 2008. Dr. Moore also served as a delegate at the state and national levels. She is a member of the Mississippi Hospital Association Organization of Nurse Executives, Mississippi Rural Health Association and Mississippi Telehealth Association. Dr. Moore currently serves as the administrator for community health services at UMMC.

Statement of Intent: As your current Vice President, I pledge to continue to work collaboratively and responsibly with the MNA's Board of Directors, Executive Director and other key stakeholders to resolve matters affecting the nursing profession.

During the next two years as Vice President, I will…

• chair the committee on membership and lead the execution of value-added membership programs and events
• collaborate with District Presidents to increase and diversify membership by targeting staff nurses, advanced practice providers (NPs and CRNAs), administrators, educators, recent nurse graduates, and nurses in non-traditional roles.

In terms of demonstrated leadership and collaboration, I was appointed to serve on the MNA Board of Directors as Vice President after effectively serving one year as Secretary (2015-2016). Additionally, I've served as president of MNA District 13, chairperson of MNA’s Developing Nurse Leader program, member of search committee for the Executive Director of MNA [2012], and Dean for the University of Mississippi Medical Center School of Nursing [2010]. I have also served on many councils and boards. In 2009, I served as an inaugural member of the Board of Directors for the Mississippi Hospital Association’s Health, Research, and Education Foundation where I served two consecutive terms. As a lifelong learner, I earned a doctor of philosophy degree in nursing research from the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

I am a leader that Mississippi nurses will be proud to name vice president. My talents and commitment to nursing have earned me recognition in several distinguished and respected organizations. I have received national recognition as a 2011 Up and Comer, one of 12 people in the United States chosen by Modern
Healthcare magazine. In Mississippi, I was named as one of Mississippi Business Journal’s 2013 Top 40 Under 40 and 2012 Healthcare Hero. Additional awards include the 2009 Nurse of the Year for the University of Mississippi Health Care and the 2008 Nurse in Non-Traditional Setting of the Year by the Mississippi Nurses’ Association and Mississippi Nurses Foundation.

POSITION OF SECRETARY
Candidates who have qualified for this position:

**LaDonna Northington, DNS, RN, BC**
Biographical Profile: I feel I am qualified to bring experience to the position of Secretary. As Assistant Dean for the Undergraduate Programs at the UMMC SON, I have oversight of three programs on the Jackson campus and one on the Oxford campus. I conduct monthly meetings with faculty, in which I synthesize the information and record minutes. Additionally, I am responsible for a number of reports which require record keeping and organizational skills. I have also served as secretary of DNA 13 in the past. I am a strong supporter of MNF and a past member of the Board of Trustees. This gives me insight into the working agendas for both organizations. Serving as the liaison for MNA will be an educational and enjoyable part of the role. I will bring strong professional ethics, leadership and organizational skills to the role of the Secretary if elected.

Statement of Intent: The role of the Secretary in any organization is vital. This is the person responsible for the minute taking and record keeping. It is imperative that the records are accurate, concise and meaningful for all parties involved. I have many years in nursing education, and across my career, I have had several opportunities to be a record keeper. Some of the instances included taking and recording minutes from various meetings, developing reports for administration or organizations, or recording and transcribing personal notes for lectures or meetings with students. With each encounter, I felt confident in the quality and format of the information captured and shared. I will bring organizational and leadership skills to the role of Secretary. My goal for the position would be to provide accurate and precise record keeping. I will ensure that needed information is communicated in a timely and professional manner in a format that is easily accessed. I am professional and accountable in my interactions with others. These traits would extend to MNA and MNF board members, other organizations and all members of MNA that would interface with this position. My experience and years in nursing have prepared me for a role such as this. If elected, I think I would be an asset to the board of the Mississippi Nurses Association.

**Johnnie Sue Wijewardane, PhD, APRN, FNP-BC, FAANP**
Biographical Profile: As a nurse for 23 years and an APRN for 17 years, nursing is my passion! My experience spans rural health care, tertiary care, occupational health, college health, long term care, expert legal consultation, nursing education and leadership. I am currently a Professor and Associate Dean for Academic Affairs in the School of Nursing at the University of Mississippi Medical Center.
I became involved in MNA as a student in 1993 when I served on the state MASN board, and I remained involved. I served previously as MNA District 18 President. I present extensively at the local, state and national levels on nursing leadership and practice topics. I am actively involved in several national nursing and healthcare organizations as well. I wish to use my experience and expertise to promote nursing and nursing practice through service as MNA Secretary.

Statement of Intent: If I am elected to this position, I intend to use my education, experience, and expertise in nursing to promote nursing practice at all levels throughout Mississippi. My nursing experience in practice, leadership, and education qualifies me for this position. As an APRN and nursing faculty involved in state and national organizations, I understand the needs of nurses in all practices. I am able to provide expert and timely information for the MNA Board and staff regarding nursing education, practice, and national trends affecting nursing in Mississippi. I will assist in any means needed at MNA meetings and conferences.

My goals for this position include the following:
1. Deliver accurate and timely recordkeeping and reporting of MNA meetings and other official documents as needed
2. Increase MNA membership and visibility through work with staff and MNA Board
3. Increase MNA Convention and APRN Conference attendance
4. Work closely with MNF in fundraising efforts and information exchange with MNA
5. Work closely with state and national health care and nursing organizations to improve, promote, and protect nursing practice in Mississippi

POSITION OF DIRECTOR, COUNCIL ON NURSING RESEARCH

Candidates who have qualified for this position:

Janie Butts, PhD, RN

Biographical Profile: Dr. Janie Butts is Professor at The University of Southern Mississippi, College of Nursing and Health Professions in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, and teaches classroom and online nursing courses at the doctoral, master’s, and baccalaureate levels. Courses include ethics, legal issues, advanced theory, advanced practice issues, professional development, research and evidence-based practice research. Current specific research interests include death and dying ethical issues, professional nursing ethics, theoretical and philosophical research. Dr. Butts has two co-authored books: *Nursing Ethics: Across the Curriculum and Into Practice* (5th ed., to be released in Spring 2019) and *Philosophies and Theories for Advanced Nursing Practice* (3rd ed.). Dr. Butts' journal articles and book chapters include topics on ethics, research, theory, education, and professionalism. Dr. Butts served as Consultant Editor from 2008-2014 for Nursing Ethics journal. Her Ph.D. is from the University of Alabama at Birmingham and her master’s degree is from the University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson.
Statement of Intent: Hello MNA Members. My name is Janie Butts. If elected to the position of Director of the Council on Nursing Research, my goals will correlate with the responsibilities of this position. My overall intent is to promote the advancement of the nursing profession through facilitating research-related activities that, in the end, will improve the health care of Mississippian. In so doing, a number of approaches will include (1) facilitation of social, scientific, and education issues in health needs of patients, families, and communities; (2) maintenance and promotion of established standards and methods of research; (3) facilitation of nursing theory development through the research process; and (4) dissemination of research findings to nurses, other health care professionals, and to the consumers of care. I also understand that the Research Council will sponsor the poster session at the MNA Convention. I have a number of years of experience in coordinating and leading activities to accommodate research-related presentations and other activities. I have engaged in research projects intermittently over the years, as well as directed and chaired many PhD students’ dissertation committees. Currently, I am PhD Coordinator of the PhD in Nursing Program at The University of Southern Mississippi.

POSITION OF DIRECTOR, COUNCIL ON HEALTH AFFAIRS

Candidates who have qualified for this position:

Tonya Harbison, PhD, CFNP

Biographical Profile: The position of Director, Council on Health Affairs requires a highly skilled, dedicated nurse who desires to advance the practice of health care in a positive direction for nurses and those for whom we care. Currently, I have been a practicing RN within the state of Mississippi for approximately 38 years. Nursing has been a passion of mine, and I am dedicated to providing the care to patients that I would wish to be provided to my family. My nursing skills have mainly included working within the hospital setting: Intensive Care Unit, Operating Room, Post Anesthesia Care Unit, Senior Care, and Out-Patient Surgical Care Unit. Maintaining my skills and advancing my own profession, I have completed my second Master’s Degree in Nursing Education, graduated in August, 2016 with a PhD in Nursing Education & Administration at William Carey University. Recently, I completed the University of Southern Mississippi Family Nurse Practitioner program, and have successfully passed my boards with AANP certification as a Family Nurse Practitioner. If elected I will serve the nurses of Mississippi with good faith, hard work, and dedication to making Mississippi a place where the community values nurses and our profession.

Statement of Intent: “Serving” and being a “servant” to the nurses of the Mississippi Nurses' Association has been the “Heart” of my intention by representation through the Director’s position on the Council of Health Affairs. Serving as a member of the MNA Political Action Committee and as a Past Director of the Health Affairs Council on the MNA Board for four years has been very rewarding. In 2013, MNA’s Health Affairs Committee’s focus was on the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act legislation and review of the proposed changes to the Mississippi Nurse Practice Act. Over the past several years, we also actively
promoted legislation for Full Practice Authority for Nurse Practitioners and increasing the number of Certified School Nurses. We monitored every bill that would either directly or indirectly impact the nursing profession and the patients of Mississippi. Also, in 2015 at MNA Convention, the House of Delegates passed a resolution to “Cease Distracted Driving,” this was supported at the Capitol Day in Jackson, and legislation was passed in 2015. Following my time as Director, I have continued to serve on the Health Affairs Committee and Political Action Committee reviewing pending legislation and discussing its impact on nurses, patients, and our communities.

It is a desire of my heart to once again serve the Mississippi Nurses’ Association as Board Director for the Health Affairs Council. It would be a great honor and privilege to serve registered nurses and advanced practice nurses in the State of Mississippi by serving as the Director of the Council on Health Affairs. Some of my goals of serving in this important position would include:

- Encouraging nurses to become more aware of legislation being considered;
- Encouraging increased participation at the MNA Lobby Day and Nursing Summit; and
- Continuing to promote a positive image of nursing and MNA.

**POSITION OF DIRECTOR, COUNCIL ON NURSING PRACTICE**

**Candidates who have qualified for this position:**

**Walterine Nelson, PhD, RN-BC**

Biographical Profile: Dr. Walterine Nelson is an Assistant Professor at Alcorn State University, where she develops the skills of nursing students to meet entry-level requirements for nursing. Dr. Nelson educates students regarding professional nursing practice and the application of safe nursing interventions.

Dr. Nelson has worked at Southwest Mississippi Community College and Virginia College. During her time as Nursing Instructor and Director, she implemented the Student Risk Assessment, coordinated staff meetings, and ran the day-to-day operations of the Nursing Program. A nurse for over 20 years, Dr. Nelson's current mission is to provide concise feedback which promotes guidance and professional growth.

Dr. Nelson obtained her Ph.D. in Nursing Education and Administration from William Carey University. She enjoys reading and re-purposing roadside finds.

Statement of Intent: I am eager to be the change and to maintain the professional standards of nursing. For over 20 years I have had the privilege of watching the profession change, all while maintaining professional Practice standards. I truly believe I can make a difference. With seven years of solid teaching experience, I have demonstrated, applied, and implemented evidence-based nursing principles.
There is nothing more unique than nursing. As a champion of professional ethics and safe practice, I will use my expertise to further promote the Council on Nursing Practice. As a skilled nurse, I have collaborated with multidisciplinary teams and used my communication skills to implement seamless processes. As a Nurse Educator, I continue to rely on the best evidence-based practices and design teaching strategies for the 21st-century nurse.

If I am selected as the Director of the Council on Nursing Practice, my goals would be to:

- Promote the goals of MNA.
- Encourage partnership among nurses.
- Stay abreast of the latest trends in nursing practice.

The following objectives will provide focus while meeting the outlined goals.

- Identify constituents interested in promoting safe practice for entry-level and career nurses.
- Ensure that practice standards align with the latest trends in nursing.
- Foster exemplary practice standards through the review and development of policies and guidelines.

I am focused on empowering nurses and promoting MNA. I believe the outlined objectives and my experience will continue to move the organization forward.

**Donna Lewis Pritchard, MSN, RN, FNP-BC**

**Biographical Profile:** Donna Pritchard is the Chief Nurse Executive/Vice President of Nursing for North Mississippi Health Services/North Mississippi Medical Center, the largest rural hospital in America. In this role, Donna is a passionate advocate for the nursing profession as she represents and is responsible for all facets of nursing within a healthcare system that employs over 900 nurses in its flagship hospital in Tupelo, its five affiliated community hospitals, and its 32 clinics in northeast Mississippi and northwest Alabama. As an advanced practice nurse and a nursing professional, Donna's astute understanding of both the legal and ethical aspects of the scope of nursing practice makes her acutely aware of how they impact the lives of each Mississippi nurse as well as the health and welfare of each and every patient they serve on a daily basis.

**Statement of Intent:** Since beginning my career in the field of nursing over 27 years ago, my focus has always been to serve my patients at the very best of my ability. This has not only been my personal goal, it has always been my goal for other nurses, as well. With this objective in mind, I feel the experience and knowledge I have gained while working in every role from a nursing assistant to a bedside RN to a nursing executive have prepared me to serve as the Director of the Council on Nursing Practice for the Mississippi Nurses' Association.

Working hand-in-hand with schools of nursing over the years, I have observed numerous changes to nursing practice as the profession has grown into a truly integral part of healthcare. I eagerly look forward to the future of nursing in the state of Mississippi; and I am confident that in the role of MNA's Director of the Council on Nursing Practice, I can help to bring about the positive changes and improvements that are surely yet to come for the betterment of the profession.
In this role, I would bring many new and innovative ideas to advance nursing practice in our state while ensuring all appropriate legal and ethical standards are met within our scope of practice. I know that any and all decisions made that affect nursing practice also have a direct or an indirect impact on the patients we serve, and I will be a strong and passionate advocate for nursing in order to ensure each and every patient receives the highest quality patient and family centered care based on nationally proven best practices.

As outlined in my resume, my lifelong commitment and dedication to the nursing profession has provided me a wealth of experience, knowledge, and awareness that will guide me in my responsibility to advance nursing practice by serving in the role of the Mississippi Nurses’ Association’s Director of the Council on Nursing Practice.

Debra Rhinewalt, BSN, CHPN

Biographical Profile: Since graduation from Mississippi University for Women’s Associate of Science in Nursing, I have been fortunate to serve on the Nursing School Advisory Council. My career has led me to Palliative Care nursing, which truly opened my eyes to the lack of training for nurses in this area. Due to increasingly strict admission and discharge criteria, I am finding patients are literally “dying” to get into the hospital. The “baby boomer” generation is living longer with many co-morbid conditions. Fragmented healthcare has placed nurses in a position being the one who “brings it all together” for many patients and families. It is imperative that we train nurses in the current trends in healthcare which can increase the quality of care for our patients and their families.

Statement of Intent: I find it an exciting challenge to have the opportunity to be considered to serve on the Mississippi Nurses’ Association Board of Directors in the capacity of Director of the Council on Nursing Practice.

I have had ICU, home hospice, and palliative care experience. The last six years, I have served as the Clinical Coordinator of Palliative Care in our hospital. Being an older non-traditional student (graduated from MUW at 50) I had many life skills and situations to draw from when caring for seriously ill patients and families. I experienced first-hand the uncertainty and apprehension of a younger generation of nurses and felt “called” to reach out and offer support by means of education in this area.

In 2015, I attended an End of Life Nursing Education Consortium Train-the-Trainer Program. After which, I presented to our hospital administration a plan to educate our staff in these principles. Explaining this education would aid our nursing staff to provide optimal care for our patients suffering from ongoing serious illness and the complications thereof. In 2016, I became a Certified Hospice and Palliative Care Nurse (CHPN). The last three years I have led in the development of this education which has been offered three times each year. I must admit the first year it was a slow process but today I have nurses
who are requesting more classes. I have also had the opportunity to speak to nursing students and lead workshops for MUW BSN students. Many of these students have the opportunity to shadow me during their community classes.

I am a hardworking, team-oriented individual with a strong desire to offer activities and education which will identify appropriate up-to-date standards of practice for individual bedside nurses. I truly feel end of life nursing education will improve the confidence of nurses, provide high quality nursing care, and result in better patient outcomes. Thank you for your consideration in my nomination.

**POSITION OF DIRECTOR, COUNCIL ON ADVANCED PRACTICE**

Candidates who have qualified for this position:

**Shonda Phelon, DNP, FNP-BC, PMHNP-BC, GNP-BC**

Biographical Profile: Nursing has been my passion for over 30 years. I have been an APRN for 26 years. My nursing experience includes rural health, inpatient mental health, nursing home, correctional health, public health, and community mental health. I am an Associate Professor of Nursing at Mississippi University for Women and practice as a FNP/Psychiatric NP. My involvement with MNA began as a student in 1987 when I was elected to state office. I have been a strong nursing advocate my entire career and serve as a mentor to nurses, as well as other nurse practitioners. I have presented extensively on geriatric and psychiatric issues at the local, state, and national levels. I am active in my local district and have served as president. I have served on the MNA Board as the Director of the Council on Nursing Practice since April 2016 and wish to use my experience to continue to serve my association and promote nursing practice in Mississippi by serving as the Director of the Council on Advanced Practice.

Statement of Intent: If elected to this position, I intend to use my education and experience to promote and advocate for APRN practice in Mississippi. My APRN experience as well as my APRN faculty experience areas qualifies me for this position. My extensive experience and years of professional involvement make me keenly aware of APRN practice issues and the needs of our members. After serving on the current board for the past two years, I am qualified and determined to accomplish the goals of our association. As Director of the Council on Advanced Practice, I am determined to increase APRN membership within MNA. I will monitor APRN practice and any state and federal legislative issues or trends that may impact APRNs. I will be available to the MNA Board and staff for consultation on issues regarding APRN practice or issues that may negatively impact nursing practice in Mississippi. I will assist with the APRN Conference and other APRN continuing education.

Some of my goals and objectives for this position include:
1. Expand the APRN council to increase involvement.
2. Increase APRN membership with MNA.
3. Increase APRN attendance at the Annual Convention and APRN Conference.
4. Continue to work with staff to attract APRN expert speakers to provide CE at Convention and the annual APRN Conference.
Biographical Profile: Dr. Geraldine Q. Young is currently an Assistant Professor at Alcorn State University in the Graduate Nursing Program (2011). Dr. Young holds a DNP from the University of Alabama at Birmingham (2010), a MSN from Alcorn State University (2005), and a BSN from the University of Mississippi Medical Center (2001). Dr. Young is a board certified family nursing practitioner (2005) and a certified diabetes educator (2011). Dr. Young owns a primary care practice, Quality Health Care Services, PA (2014). Dr. Young has participated in an abundance of leadership, scholarship, service, and educational activities across the spectrum of nursing that involves policy, research, education, practice, and administration (locally, statewide, and nationally). Dr. Young has been a member of MNA since 2005. She has served as a delegate and speaker for MNA. She is also a National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF) Fellow.

Statement of Intent: Over the years, I have obtained the necessary education, knowledge, skills, experience, leadership abilities, and resources that qualify me for the MNA Director of the Council on Advanced Practice Nursing (APN) position. My goal as an advanced practice nurse is to continuously increase access to safe, affordable, and high quality healthcare services to individuals across the lifespan while meeting the educational needs of APN students. Serving as the MNA Director of the Council on APN will be the perfect building block as I continue on this journey. Thus, indulging in healthcare policy through service to MNA provides the gateway. If elected, my intent is to:

1. promote the significance of healthcare policy to APNs and promulgate MNA's role in the progression of APNs;
2. influence prospective and current advance practice nurses, as well as the community's engagement in healthcare policy and MNA;
3. influence APN curriculum to purport healthcare policy as the foundation for education, practice, research, and administration; and
4. keep MNA and advanced practice nurses abreast of the most current education and issues impacting APNs.

My philosophy as stated from the heart:

“Professional, holistic nursing is an integral part of life for dedicated members of the profession. Therefore, as a dedicated member of this prestigious profession, it is my mission to persistently advance in nursing and utilize it as the vehicle by which I can fulfill the healthcare necessities and educational opportunities for as many individuals as possible. In the process of providing and/or preparing others to provide quality, safe healthcare services to individuals, I will attain personal and professional goals in addition to life fulfillment.”

I believe in excellence when it comes to patient care and outcomes. Understanding the significance of healthcare policy in this process is unparalleled. I pledge to always dedicate my passion for nursing to the ongoing growth and success of MNA. As Director of the Council on APN for the MNA Board of Directors, it will be an honor to serve the organization, fellow colleagues, and the entire nursing profession.
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Keeping up with the trends and changes. The association sponsors the Annual MNA Convention in October and the Statewide Nursing Summit each February. Both events focus on current professional and legislative issues related to Mississippi nursing, while presenting new and up-coming products, services, issues and developments in nursing. Throughout the year, there are seminars and workshops tailored to meet Nursing’s specific needs, all at a discount to MNA members. MNA publishes the bi-monthly newsletter, MNA Members Only, and the quarterly newspaper, The Mississippi RN. The MNA Web site MsNurses.org posts current articles, news, calendar of events, continuing education opportunities and a career center for current job opportunities.

Meet and network with other nurses. Membership provides many resources to assist RNs in advancing their careers. Members, not only get information and support, but show an impressive commitment and a genuine interest in their profession. Participation has power. You can build a powerful network of skilled professionals who can serve as personal mentors and problem solvers.

Inside job and internship opportunities. MNA partners with leading healthcare agencies and employers throughout the state. Members have several ways of capitalizing on these partnerships to learn about job opportunities and new developments in the profession.

National connections. With your MNA membership comes membership in the American Nurses Association. ANA provides you with access to the award winning Web site, NursingWorld.org. Free online access to OJIN-the Online Journal of Issues in Nursing; American Nurse Today, a monthly journal (six print/six electronic) featuring peer-reviewed clinical, practical, practice-oriented, career and personal editorials; and the traditional, The American Nurse, a prize winning bi-monthly newspaper. Your savings for subscriptions alone is more than $40. You’ll also save up to $125 on American Nurses Credentialing Center initial certification and up to $150 on certification renewal. ANCC certification is offered to associate, diploma, bachelors and master’s prepared nurses. And, you have the option of taking professional liability insurance through MNA’s and ANA’s collaboration with Mercer Consumer along with auto insurance, long term care, term life and financial planning services.
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Special Thanks
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**Georgia B. Hall Award of Excellence $500**
Submission deadline is November 16, 2018
Open date - September 1st

**Hiawatha and Eunice Northington Memorial Scholarship $1,000**
Submission deadline is November 30, 2018
Open date - October 1st

**Arthur L. Davis Scholarly Writing $1,000**
Submission deadline is December 1, 2018
Open date - October 1st

**Brantley-Fletcher Award of Hope Book Scholarship $250**
Submission deadline is December 18, 2018
Open date - October 1st

**Nurse Oneita Dongieux Scholarship $500**
Submission deadline is February 1, 2019
Open date - December 1st

**Betty Dickson Health Policy Scholarship up to $2,000**
Submission deadline is February 8, 2019
Open date - December 1st

**Martha Douglas Memorial Scholarship $1,000**
Submission deadline is February 15, 2019
Open date - December 1st

**MNF School of Nursing Scholarship $1,000**
Submission deadline from Schools of Nursing is March 15, 2019 – Contact your School of Nursing
Open date - January 1st
**Car Tag Stipends $5,000**  
Submission deadline is June 14, 2019  
Open date - April 1st

**Eileen S. & Earl C. Whittemore Advance Practice/Nurse Practitioner Scholarship $2,500**  
Submission deadline is July 8, 2019  
Open date - May 1st

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Open date - May 1st

Please visit www.msnursesfoundation.com or call (601) 898-0850 for additional information.
Have you ever wondered about the perfect way to show appreciation to someone who has had a significant influence in your personal or professional life?

The Mississippi Nurses Foundation provides a great opportunity for you to pay tribute to someone or an organization through our “IN HONOR” OR “IN MEMORY” BRICK GARDEN. This opportunity allows you to purchase a brick “In Honor” or “In Memory” of someone who has significantly impacted your personal or professional life. Your brick will be engraved with your choice of text and placed in the Mary E. Stainton Center for Nursing Garden, located at the Mississippi Center for Nursing in Madison, MS.

When you purchase your brick, an acknowledgment will be sent to the person, family or organization designated. The amount will not be disclosed.

Every two years, during Nurses Week, the Mississippi Nurses Foundation host a Brick Dedication Ceremony in the Mary E. Stainton Center for Nursing Garden to recognize all those being honored. Everyone who purchases a brick and all the honorees (or their families) will receive an invitation to the dedication.

Every nurse and nursing organization in Mississippi deserves to be honored with an engraved brick that shows appreciation of their contribution to your life.

What an amazing way to say Thank You!

(Please fill out the form below, tear it off, and mail it in along with your payment)

Please select your brick and fax this form to the Mississippi Nurses Foundation with your contact information on the lines provided below.

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The Mississippi Nurses Foundation **Coffee Club** was started in April 2009 with the support of Dr. Kim Hoover, Dean of the University of MS School of Nursing, with her donation for MNF daily operations. The coffee club recognizes individuals who donate between $300—$5,000 or more to the Foundation.

You can join today with a monthly donation of $25.00 to the Nurses Foundation. Please select your level of support for membership into the Mississippi Nurses Foundation Coffee Club. Bank draft and credit card monthly donations will automatically renew every 12 months unless notified by the donor.

**Espresso Level**  
$4,000 to $5,000—Two packages of MNF signature coffee and two coffee mugs, four tickets to all upcoming events sponsored by the Foundation, recognition at MNF’s Philanthropy Day, Recognition on MNF’s website, newsletter, recognition at the Mississippi Nurses Association Annual Convention and a 4” X 8” engraved brick in the Mary E. Stainton Center for Nursing Garden.

**Cappuccino Level**  
$2,000 to $3,999—Two packages of MNF signature coffee and two coffee mugs, two tickets to all upcoming events sponsored by the Foundation, recognition at MNF’s Philanthropy Day, Recognition on MNF’s website, newsletter and recognition at the Mississippi Nurses Association Annual Convention.

**Mocha Level**  
$500 to $1,999—One package of MNF signature coffee and coffee mug, two tickets to one of MNF’s sponsored events, recognition at MNF’s Philanthropy Day, Recognition on MNF’s website, newsletter and recognition at the Mississippi Nurses Association Annual Convention.

**Coffee Level**  
$300 to $499—One package of MNF signature coffee and coffee mug, a ticket to one of MNF’s sponsored events, recognition at MNF’s Philanthropy Day, recognition on MNF’s website, newsletter, and recognition at the Mississippi Nurses Association Annual Convention.

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Your tax deductible donation to the Coffee Club will help support the Nurses Foundation in its daily operations of carrying out its mission of raising, accepting and dispersing charitable donations to promote professional nursing and better health in Mississippi. Sponsored events exclude the Nightingale Awards Gala.

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Rosalyn Howard is the Chief Executive Officer of the foundation. She is responsible for securing funds in all areas of development to include MNFs annual fund, special events, planned giving and major donor activities. She implements policies and procedures approved by the board of trustees. She manages the foundation and hires staff to support the work of MNF. Rosalyn conducts presentations on behalf of the foundation to award nursing scholarships and to promote the professional image of nursing.

**Kasey Dorr, MNF Director of Operations**  
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Kasey Dorr assists the executive director in daily executive functions. She is responsible for monthly bank drafts, following up with donors, receiving and depositing MNF donations, editing the foundation's newsletter, and sending mail-outs from MNF. She serves as the lead contact person for the Nightingale Awards. Kasey supports the Accreditation Administrator with MNF Continuing Education applications and MNFs Board of Trustees when needed.

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Susan Hart is responsible for managing the continuing education division of MNF. She communicates and teaches the continuing education process to nurses and healthcare organizations. She is also responsible for reviewing CE applications, and making recommendations for Approved Provider status. Susan works closely with the Approver Unit members and the American Nurses Credentialing Center’s Commission on Accreditation to stay abreast of any continuing education changes and updates.
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LaGina Walker is the assistant to the Executive Director, she monitors legislative issues that pertain to health affairs and circulates legislative updates, prepares for Board meetings, special events, and assists with other executive functions. LaGina assists with the management of the office information systems, and is responsible for disseminating new membership packets, membership renewals, and continuing education activities.

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Dana is responsible for planning and organizing special events and continuing education activities. She is the point of contact for questions regarding program and workshop schedules, CE contact hours, event registration or to become a speaker for continuing education programs. She is also responsible for coordinating news releases and media relations. Dana supports the activities of the Council on Nursing Education, the MNA Provider Unit, the Council on Organizational Affairs, and the Council on Nursing Practice.

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Deborah is responsible for all financial transactions including posting for membership dues, special events, and continuing education activities. She is also the Membership Coordinator and is the point of contact for any membership questions, changes, renewals, updates, etc. Deborah also supports the District Presidents with current membership information for each district.

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Dionne is responsible for working with the Director of the Council on Advanced Practice Nursing to support activities relating to Nurse Practitioners. Dionne is editor of the quarterly newspaper—*The Mississippi RN* and creates the E-newsletter—*Members Only*. She also creates the convention & conference preview guides, books, brochures, district emails, and uploads information to the MNA website. She is the site administrator for the Cisco Webex Event Center.
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