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### **Presidents Message**



#### Greetings to all!

As we embark upon the commencement of a new year, I trust that your current situation is positive, and that you are energized to confront the prospects and challenges inherent in nursing and nursing education. The year 2024 is poised to be a period of transition for the NLN.

As you may be aware from recent communications, the Constituent League Leadership Committee, in collaboration with NLN staff, has submitted a proposal to the NLN Board of Governors. The proposal advocates for the restructuring of the obligatory affiliation guidelines, transforming the existing framework into an alliance format. This strategic shift aims to ease the compliance burdens associated with the current structure.

This proposal offers an opportunity for league representatives to have greater decision-making control in meeting the unique needs of their local constituents. Simultaneously, it presents an occasion for colleagues to redesign their organizations, ensuring they effectively cater to the regional requirements of nurse educators. The NLN Board of Governors has endorsed this recommendation, approving the motion in September 2023.

To gather insights and perspectives from state leagues, Dr. Malone and NLN staff engaged with league representatives in August through Zoom and in-person meetings during the 2023 NLN Education Summit. Furthermore, in November, five small groups, each consisting of 3-5 state leagues, convened to ensure comprehensive representation and input from all leagues. Dr. Malone chaired each group, with the NLN Chair and NLN Board Liaison to the Leagues present at different times. These discussions generated thoughtful questions and comments, which will be shared with the upcoming Alliance Committee.

The next phase involves the establishment of the Alliance Committee, comprising 8-10 members from state leagues and NLN staff. The selection process will ensure representation from leagues of varying sizes and leadership types, whether volunteer or paid. Final selections are anticipated to be completed in December 2023, with the committee's inaugural meeting scheduled for January or February 2024.

Your KLN Board of Directors will continue to monitor communications from NLN and report to the constituency regarding any changes to our state league. As for now, it is business as usual. Our logo, our mission statement, and our affiliation are unchanged. Thank you for your membership and support of KLN, and for all that you do for nursing and nursing education.

Respectfully, Neena W. Jones, KLN President

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# 20th Annual Nurse Educator Conference and Meeting "Establishing Assessments to Measure Clinical Judgement"



The 20th annual conference will be held at the Holiday Inn East, Hurstbourne, in Louisville, KY., May 21-22, 2024! Our conference theme is "Establishing Assessments to Measure Clinical Judgement." We want to help you prepare to educate the next generation of nursing. Come join us for this exciting conference! Hope to see you there!

Please see <a href="http://www.kyleaguenursing.org/">http://www.kyleaguenursing.org/</a> for further information, registration and the full conference brochure.

## **KEYNOTE SPEAKERS**

Dr. Dodi Serafini PhD, MSN, RN, CNE (Key Note Speaker)

Kelly Jenkins MSN, RN, NE-BC (KBN)

Jason Schwartz MS (NCSBN)

William Lanman MSN, BSN, RN (Norton Healthcare System)



Members interested in Scholarship Opportunities, awarded at the May Conference: Visit http://www.kyleaguenursing.org and submit your application by April 15, 2024.

Students interested attending the May Conference at a discounted student rate: Visit http://www.kyleaguenursing.org and submit your registration by May 14, 2024.

Members interested in Poster presentation at the May Conference: Visit http://www.kyleaguenursing.org and submit your application by April 15, 2024.

Members interested in Podium presentation at at the May Conference: Visit http://www.kyleaguenursing.org and submit your application by April 15, 2024.

All sessions will be held in the Conference Center at the Holiday Inn East Hurstbourne

1325 S Hurstbourne Pkwy and I-64, Louisville, Kentucky 40222.

A block of rooms have been reserved for conference attendees at a special rate of \$125 per night. This special rate ends April 19, 2024. Use Code #Z1N. There is no charge for vehicle parking.

For reservations call the Holiday Inn at 502-426-2600.

### PROFESSIONAL SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Want to become a part of this great organization?

Nominations are being accepted for the following Board Of Directors Positions

Secretary and Two Directors.

Elections will be held at the Annual Meeting in May!

Responsibilities of Secretary: Record accurate minutes of the Board's meetings and distribute copies of the minutes to the Board members Attend and assist in the presentation of the Annual Conference.

Responsibilities of Board of Directors include: Provide input, collaborate, and plan during meetings of the board monthly, August –May each year. Attend and assist at the annual meeting/convention in May each year. Assist in planning the annual convention. Other duties as assigned.

Full Description of Duties located at: http://www.kyleaguenursing.org

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# SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES!!!!

## **Deadline April 15, 2024**

Visit http://www.kyleaguenursing.org to learn more about the following scholarships:

- KLN Nursing Faculty Scholarship Doctoral Level Education
- NurseTim Faculty Scholarship—Graduate Level Education
- Nursing Faculty Scholarship for Certified Nurse Educator (CNE) Examination
- KLN Service Learning Scholarship Service Learning or Medical Missions Project
- KLN Research Scholarship—Reearch Project
- Jo Ann Maurer-Wever Teaaching Excellence in Nursing Education Award—Member demonstrates innovation and teaching excellence in Nursing Education.

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### **SAVE THE DATE!!**

2024 KLN Annual Meeting and Nurse Educator Conference May 21-22, 2024