



2023 New Jersey League for Nursing (NJLN) Election

Vote by Monday, March 20, 2023

CURRENT MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE

Dear NJLN Member,

Please take a moment to cast your ballot in the 2023 NJLN Election. The *Candidate Slate, Position Statements and Biographical Information* can be found below. Once you have reviewed this information then please cast your vote.

How to vote? You may indicate your choices on the electronic ballot by clicking on the “Vote Now” link that is in the e-mail you will receive by Wednesday, March 8, 2023.

Check your spam folder in the event you are eligible to vote and have not received a ballot by March 8.

Ballots must be submitted no later than **11:59 pm, Monday, March 20, 2023**. The results will be announced during our NJLN Annual Business Meeting on Thursday, March 30, 2023, at our NJLN Convention live at Harrah’s Resort in Atlantic City. To learn more and register for the 2023 NJLN Convention, [CLICK HERE](#).

Please note: All voting is kept confidential, and results are tabulated by a third-party, independent contractor. Only Members in good standing with their dues paid are eligible to vote. If you would like to join or renew your membership now, please [CLICK HERE](#) or visit: <http://www.njln.org/membership.html>. Upon receipt of your paid dues you will be automatically sent the email with a link to cast your ballot. Dues must be paid on or before March 20, 2023, to be eligible.

If you would like to check the status of your membership, or if you have questions, please email, info@njln.org.

Thank you for your continued participation and for being an active member of the New Jersey League for Nursing, and for contributing to the integrity and quality of our organization by exercising your right to vote.

The NJLN Board of Directors

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2023 NJLN ELECTION CANDIDATE SLATE

SECRETARY - VOTE FOR 1:

Timothy Clyne, DNP, RN, CDP, CNML

Write-In: _____

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - VOTE FOR 2:

Veronica Betts, DNP, RN, CMGT-BC

Illya DeVera-Bonilla, MSN, RN

Jeannette Manchester, DNP, MBA, RN

Write-In: _____

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE - VOTE FOR 4:

Jennifer Gazdick, MSN, RN

Linda Hassler, DNP, RN, GCNS-BC, CNE, FGNLA

Sylvaria Oyinkolade, MSN, RN-BC, CALA

Write-In: _____

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2023 NJLN Ballot

Candidate Biographies and Position Statements

Meet the 2023 candidates, we thank each of them for volunteering their time in support of the NJLN and nursing education excellence.

POSITION OF SECRETARY: (Vote for One)



Timothy Clyne, DNP, RN, CDP, CNML

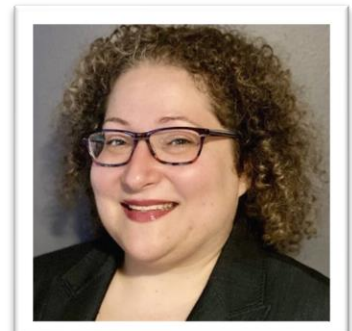
POSITION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS: (Vote for Two)



Veronica Betts, DNP, RN, CMGT-BC



Illya DeVera-Bonilla, MSN, RN

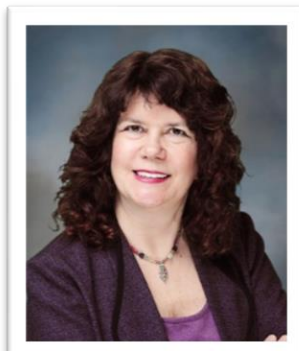


Jeannette Manchester, DNP, MBA, RN

POSITION OF NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: (Vote for Four)



Jennifer Gazdick, MSN, RN



**Linda Hassler, DNP, RN,
GCNS-BC, CNE, FGNA**



**Sylvaria Oyinkolade, MSN,
RN-BC, CALA**

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Candidate Biographies and Position Statements

POSITION: SECRETARY

Name of Nominee	Timothy Clyne, DNP, RN, CDP, CNML
Current Employer	Trinitas Regional Medical Center
Education (Highest Degree Held)	Drexel University, Doctor of Nursing Practice in Executive Leadership, 2019

Position Statement

Timothy is a passionate nurse leader with a myriad of acute geriatric and oncology experience. He completed his B.A. in psychology with a minor in disabilities studies and selected coursework in business fundamentals from the University of Delaware and went on to receive his A.A.S in nursing from Union County College. This was completed while honing his skills in various psychiatric settings at St. Vincent's Catholic Medical Center, N.Y. He further pursued his studies at the College of Saint Elizabeth where he received a M.S.N in nursing education. Timothy has enjoyed an active role in the Oncology Nursing Society. He was named by ONS one of the "40 leaders under 40." He is also an adjunct faculty member at the College of Saint Elizabeth. He has most recently been honored by the National League for Nursing – NJLN with a nurse recognition award. He has cultivated a passion for advocating for the elderly and oncology care. He has shared his passion through presentations for delirium prevention in the elderly at the local, regional and national level. Furthermore, he is a Certified Dementia Practitioner (CDP) and a Certified Nurse Manager and Leader (CNML). Timothy has most recently completed his Doctor of Nursing Practice at Drexel University receiving recognition for his excellence in professionalism.

Timothy believes the advancement of the nursing profession as a discipline is truly facilitated by academic progression. He is an active advocate for diverse nursing student populations and sits on advisory boards at Trinitas School of Nursing and Universite de Notre Dame, Jacumel, Haiti.

League Activities During the Past 10 Years

Date	Activity	Constituent League
2022 – Present	Board of Directors	NJLN
2018 – Present	General Membership	NJLN
2021	Nominating Committee	NJLN

Major Activities in Other Organizations During the Past 5 years

Date	Activity	Organization
2015 – 2018, 2022	Regional chapter president & secretary	Oncology Nursing Society
2016 – Present	Abstract & Scholarship reviewer	Oncology Nursing Society
2016 & 2017	Regional chapter steering committee	American Association of Men in Nursing
2015 – 2018, 2022	Regional chapter president & secretary	Oncology Nursing Society

POSITION: SECRETARY (Page 2)

Name of Nominee: Timothy Clyne, DNP, RN, CDP, CNML

Major Position Held During the Past 15 Years (Most Recent First)

Date	Title of Position	Organization	Location
2011 – Present	Nurse Manager	Trinitas Regional Medical Center	Elizabeth, NJ
2021 to Present	Visiting Professor, DNP Program	Chamberlain University	Chicago, IL
2020	Contract Medical Content Writer	EBSCO industries	Remote
2015 – Present	Adjunct Faculty	Saint Elizabeth University	Convent Station, NJ
2018	Teaching Assistant	Drexel University	Philadelphia, PA
2009 – 2011	Clinical Coordinator	Trinitas Regional Medical Center	Elizabeth, NJ

Awards, Honors, Publications

Awards & Honors:

- Student Academic Leadership Award – College of Saint Elizabeth (2014)
- ONS 40 Emerging Leaders Under 40 (2015)
- NJLN Nurse Recognition Award (2018)
- Drexel University Recognition for Excellence in Professionalism (2019)
- March of Dimes Nurse of the year finalist (2020)

Publications/ Presentations:

ONS CONNECT Feature article – “Excellence through Education.” (2013)

NURSE.COM Feature Article – “How to ... prepare a poster presentation for nurses” (2014)

Journal of Cancer Education Abstract -“Trinitas Cancer Patient Education Initiative Project CARE (Cancer Awareness, Resources, and Education)” (2016)

ONS Congress – Poster Presenter – “A collaborative Initiative to Enhance Palliative Care and End of Life Communication.” (2016)

S-COPE Conference Expert Panelist – Oral Presentation - panelist on delirium in the acute setting (2017)

Teaching Advocate Roundtable – Participant in expert panel on the role of teaching advocate at Drexel University. Drexel Publications. (2019)

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POSITION: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Name of Nominee	Veronica Betts, DNP, RN, CMGT-BC
Current Employer	Montclair State University
Education (Highest Degree Held)	Saint Peter's University, Doctor of Nursing Practice, 2013

Position Statement

I would greatly appreciate the opportunity to serve as member of the Board for the NJ League for Nursing. In light of the recent events such as the Covid 19 pandemic, now more than ever it is imperative to mentor and support nurses throughout the continuum of care at whatever field of nursing they chose to practice in. Strengthening the nursing workforce through education and guidance would serve to provide high quality care to the community at large. The pandemic has put a spotlight on how quickly things can change and the need for the healthcare to adapt quickly to the needs of the community. Serving as a board member would allow me the opportunity to share my knowledge and expertise to impact the future of nursing. I believe my qualifications would be asset to serve on the Board of the NJ League for Nursing. I have served as a preceptor and trainer throughout my career and have also held various positions in academia. I strongly believe that providing nurses with education and support will advance the field of nursing. Thank you for your consideration.

League Activities During the Past 10 Years

Date	Activity	Constituent League
2022 – Present	Member	NJLN

Major Activities in Other Organizations During the Past 5 years

Date	Activity	Organization
2018 – Present	Continuum of Care Committee	ONL NJ
2022	Continuum of Care Committee subcommittee	ONL NJ

Major Position Held During the Past 15 Years (Most Recent First)

Date	Title of Position	Organization	Location
Current	Adjunct Professor	Montclair University	Montclair NJ
2020	Corporate Director Case Management	Care One LLC	Fort Lee NJ
2016 – 2020	Director Case Management	Holy Name Medical Center	Teaneck NJ
2016	Assistant Professor	Felician College	Lodi NJ
2014 – 2016	Manager ACO	Hackensack University Medical Center	Hackensack NJ
1997 – 2016	Case Manager	Hackensack University Medical Center	Hackensack NJ

POSITION: BOARD OF DIRECTORS (Page 2)

Name of Nominee: Veronica Betts, DNP, RN, CMGT-BC

Awards, Honors, Publications

- Hoffman-LaRoche Scholarship
- Ridgewood Nurses Association Scholarship
- Sutcliffe Foundation Scholarship
- Michele Gilbert Scholarship
- The Constance R. & Bernard School Nursing Recognition Award
- Collins Award for Nursing Professionalism
- Van Houten Scholarship
- Master of Science in Nursing Medal

Presentations:

- Medicare Shared Savings Program Webinar, January 2015 - Experience of an April 2012 Starter ACO
- Medicare Shared Savings Program Webinar, November 2015 Coordinating Care with Post-Acute Providers

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Candidate Biographies and Position Statements

POSITION: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Name of Nominee	Illya DeVera-Bonilla
Current Employer	Trinitas School of Nursing RWJBH
Education (Highest Degree Held)	Master of Science in Nursing Education, St. Elizabeth University, 2015

Position Statement

Building the next generation nursing force through excellence in nursing education and opportunities that address the needs of diverse students, effective faculty and nurses is essential to the New Jersey League for Nursing (NJLN) mission. My personal beliefs and professional philosophy align with the NJLN and has positively impacted me through my active participation in the NJLN organization. After sitting on the Board of Directors for the past three years, I have experience in the role of Director.

As the NJLN liaison to New Jersey Nursing Student Inc., I have been working with students which has afforded me the opportunity to shape our future generation of nurses and leaders by providing leadership support and nursing education. In my roles, as bedside clinician in critical care and full-time Nurse Educator at Trinitas School of Nursing it gives me a unique perspective between education and clinical practice. As a member of the board, I look forward to continuing to shape the future of the nursing work force and nursing leaders through excellent education and learning opportunities.

League Activities During the Past 10 Years (Most Recent First)

Date	Activity	Constituent League
2019 – Present	Board of Directors	NJLN
2020 – Present	Member of the Convention Committee	NJLN

Major Activities in Other Organizations During the Past 5 years

Date	Activity	Organization
Ongoing	NJLN Liaison to Nursing Students	New Jersey Nursing Students (NJNS)

Major Position Held During the Past 15 Years (Most Recent First)

Date	Title of Position	Organization	Location
2015 – Present	Course Coordinator/Faculty / Student Support Program Coordinator	Trinitas School of Nursing/RWJ Barnabas Health	Elizabeth, NJ
9/2020 – Present	Trinitas Student Nurses Association Advisor	Trinitas School of Nursing/RWJ Barnabas Health	Elizabeth, NJ
2014	Intensive Care Unit Nurse	Trinitas Regional Medical Center/RWJ Barnabas Health	Elizabeth, NJ

Awards, Honors, Publications

2022 Daisy Award Nominee

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Candidate Biographies and Position Statements

POSITION: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Name of Nominee	Jeannette Manchester, DNP, MBA, RN
Current Employer	Rutgers University, School of Nursing
Education (Highest Degree Held)	Doctor of Nursing Practice, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, 2012

Position Statement

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve as an Assistant Professor and Assistant Dean at the Rutgers School of Nursing. I have strived for excellence and demonstrated success in all aspects of my role. In my current position at Rutgers University School of Nursing, I create and implement state-of-the-art continuing nursing education programs designed for nurses whose time is limited. I work with internal and external teams of nursing subject matter experts to provide creative and innovative in-person, online and hybrid programs. I instruct graduate students and contribute to science through presentations and publications dedicated to lifelong learning. I have been Investigator/Co-investigator on seven grants during my career. My prior positions focused on educating nurses on regulatory requirements, new policies, processes, procedures, and equipment in a busy level-I trauma center. In addition, in my prior position at the National League for Nursing, I successfully oversaw the professional development department and produced educational programming for over 33,000 members. As a result of my experience, I know the importance of planning, curriculum, timeline, budget, and frequent communication.

I continue to pursue growth and development through education because healthcare is a dynamic field. I completed an MBA last year and maintain my continuing professional development to augment my nursing knowledge and advance my skill set in data analysis, business solutions, effective communication, and leadership strategies. I would be most grateful for the opportunity to continue building upon my accomplishments and respectfully request a position at the NJ League for Nursing.

League Activities During the Past 10 Years (Most Recent First)

Date	Activity	Constituent League
November 4, 2022	NJLN Gala	NJLN
March 27 – 28, 2019	2019 New Jersey League for Nursing Convention	NJLN
March 28 – 29, 2018	2018 New Jersey League for Nursing Convention	NJLN
November 2, 2018	NJLN Gala	NJLN

Major Activities in Other Organizations During the Past 5 years

Date	Activity	Organization
October 11 – 12, 2022	NCPD Summit	ANCC
April 7-10 2019	Global Surgical Conference & Expo 2019	AORN
April 3-5, 2019	31st Annual Eastern Nursing Research Society Scientific Sessions	ENRS
April 5-7, 2018	30th Annual Eastern Nursing Research Society Scientific Sessions	ENRS

POSITION: BOARD OF DIRECTORS (Page 2)

Name of Nominee: Jeannette Manchester, DNP, MBA, RN

Major Position Held During the Past 15 Years (Most Recent First)

Date	Title of Position	Organization	Location
July 2015 – present	Assistant Professor, Entry to Baccalaureate Practice Division Assistant Dean, Center for Professional Development Nursing (CPD) Interim Assistant Dean, Center for Educational Research and Innovation (CERI)	Rutgers University, School of Nursing	Newark, NJ
2013 – 2015	Director of Nursing, Patient Care Services, Division of Education and Professional Development	University Hospital, Newark, NJ	Newark, NJ
2011 – 2013	Manager, Professional Development	The National League for Nursing, New York, NY	New York, NY
2008 – 2010	Nurse Educator	Jersey City Medical Center	Jersey City, NJ
2005 – 2012	Direct Care Registered Nurse - Emergency Department	The University Hospital, University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey	Newark, NJ

Awards, Honors, Publications

Chapters in Books or Monographs

2021 Salmond, S., & **Manchester, J.** (2021). Chapter 9: Choosing the Right Appraisal Tool. *Comprehensive Systematic Review for Advanced Practice Nursing* (Third Edition, pp. 185–237). essay, Springer Publishing Company.

2016 Cline, D. **Manchester, J.**, Tagliareni, M.E. (2016). Gerontological Nursing Content in General Medical/Surgical Textbooks: WHERE IS IT? In M. Elaine Tagliareni (Eds.) *Teaching with ACE.S.* (55-66), New York: Wolters Kluwer

Articles in Refereed Journals

Published

2019 **Manchester J.**, Palma S., Karasin M. (2019). Closing the Gap: A Regional Partnership Model for Perioperative Nursing. *Journal of Continuing Education in Nursing.* 50(8) 363-366. DOI: 10.3928/00220124-20190717-07

2019 **Manchester, J.**, Palma, S, Karasin, M. (2019, April 3-5). Perioperative Nursing Workforce: An Innovative Academic-Practice Partnership [Paper]. *31st Annual Eastern Nursing Research Society Scientific Sessions, April 3-5, 2019, Providence, RI.*

2018 **Manchester, J.**, Mauro, A.M., Johnson, L. (2018, April 11-13). Rutgers and NJDOH: An Innovative Education Partnership [Poster]. *30th Annual Eastern Nursing Research Society Scientific Sessions, April 5-7, 2018, Newark, NJ.*

2017 Mauro, A.M., Tracey, D., & Manchester, J. (2017). Building a culture of teaching excellence: Evaluation of a new center for educational research and innovation. *Nursing Research*, 66(2), E48. DOI: 10.1097/NNR.0000000000000214

2012 Cline, D., **Manchester, J.**, Tagliareni M. (2012) Gerontological Nursing Content in General Medical/Surgical Textbooks: WHERE IS IT? *Nursing Education Perspectives.*33(3), 150-155.

POSITION: BOARD OF DIRECTORS (Page 3)

Name of Nominee: Jeannette Manchester, DNP, MBA, RN

Papers, Abstracts, and Lectures

Presented

2022 Niedz, B, **Manchester, J.** (2022, October 12) *ACCRED Talks: Best Practices in Accreditation. Integrating NCPD into the Advanced Practice Curriculum. [Podium]. ANCC NCPD Summit October 11-12, 2022, Philadelphia, PA*

2020 **Manchester, J.**, Palma, S. (2020, June 25). An Innovative Education Model [Podium]. *The Power of Data to Build a Healthier Nation Conference hosted by the Nation Forum for State Nursing Workforce Centers and the National Nurse-Led Care Consortium, June 11-28, 2020 Online.*

2020 Eckert, K, **Manchester, J.**, Lee, R. (2020, March 17-20). Creating an Educational Module to Improve the Calculation of Total Body Surface Area Burned [Poster](accepted) *52nd Annual American Burn Association Meeting, Orlando, FL*

2019 **Manchester, J.**, Karasin, M., Palma, S. (2019, April 7-10). An Innovative Perioperative Education Program [Poster]. *Association of Operating Room Nurses Global Surgical Conference & Expo 2019, April 7-10 2019, Nashville, TN.*

2019 **Manchester, J.**, Palma, S, Karasin, M. (2019, April 3-5). Perioperative Nursing Workforce: An Innovative Academic-Practice Partnership [Paper]. *31st Annual Eastern Nursing Research Society Scientific Sessions, April 3-5, 2019, Providence, RI.*

2019 **Manchester, J.**, Palma, S., Koch, M. (2019, March 27-28). An Innovative Education Model in the Operating Room [Podium]. *2019 New Jersey League for Nursing Convention, March 27-28, 2019, Atlantic City, NJ.*

2018 **Manchester, J.**, Mauro, A.M., Johnson, L. (2018, April 11-13). Rutgers and NJDOH: An Innovative Education Partnership [Poster]. *30th Annual Eastern Nursing Research Society Scientific Sessions, April 5-7, 2018, Newark, NJ.*

2018 **Manchester, J.**, Palma, S., (2018, March 28-29). An Innovative Model for Training Perioperative Nurses [Poster]. *2018 New Jersey League for Nursing Convention, March 28- 29, 2018, Atlantic City, NJ.*

2018 **Manchester, J.**, Karasin, M. (2018, March 25-27). Regional Partnership Model for Sustaining Peri-Operative Nursing [Poster]. *Association of Operating Room Nurses Global Surgical Conference & Expo 2018, March 25-27, 2018, New Orleans, LA.*

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Candidate Biographies and Position Statements

POSITION: NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Name of Nominee	Jennifer Gazdick, MSN, RN
Current Employer	Holy Name Sister Claire Tynan School of Nursing
Education (Highest Degree Held)	Master of Science in Nursing, Education Curriculum, Villanova University, 2005

Position Statement

Please accept my nomination for the NJLN Nominations committee. I would enjoy the chance to serve and participate in opportunities that will promote nursing education excellence and contribute to the advancement of nursing and health in diverse communities.

I will take the experiences that I have had from serving on the nominations committee for the New Jersey chapter of The Association of Diploma Schools of Professional Nursing to guide my in this role. In addition, I am looking forward to continuing to learn and grow from the various opportunities that lie ahead of me if I should be afforded this nomination. Thank you for considering me for this nomination.

League Activities During the Past 10 Years

Date	Activity	Constituent League
Current	NJLN Member	NJLN
2015	Innovations in Nursing Leadership	

Major Activities in Other Organizations During the Past 5 years

Date	Activity	Organization
2019 – Present	Advisory Board Member	Holy Name Sister Claire Tynan School of Nursing
2019 – Present	Nominee Committee for the New Jersey chapter of The Association of Diploma Schools of Professional Nursing	ADSPN
2022 – 2023	Various activities on item writing, NGN and Concept based curriculum	ATI
2022	Closing the Gap Between Theory and Practice	NCHASCN
2021	Self-Study Forum	ACEN
2020	Organization for Associate Degree Nursing Conference	OADN

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POSITION: NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE (Page 2)

Name of Nominee: Jennifer Gazdick, MSN, RN

Major Position Held During the Past 15 Years (Most Recent First)

Date	Title of Position	Organization	Location
2018 – Present	Program Coordinator	Holy Name Sister Claire Tynan SON	Englewood Cliffs, NJ
2012 – 2018	Lead Instructor – Practical Nurse Program	Holy Name Sister Claire Tynan SON	Englewood Cliffs, NJ
2009 – 2012	Clinical/Adjunct Faculty Coordinator	DeSales University	Center Valley, PA
2009 – 2012	Simulation/Skills Laboratory Co-Coordinator	DeSales University	Center Valley, PA
2006 – 2009	Clinical Nurse Educator - Critical Care Division	Penn State Milton S. Hershey Medical Center	Hershey, PA

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POSITION: NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Name of Nominee	Linda J. Hassler, DNP, RN, GCNS-BC, CNE, FGNLA
Current Employer	Rutgers University, School of Nursing
Education (Highest Degree Held)	Doctor of Nursing Practice, Rutgers University, 2017

Position Statement

I have been involved in nursing organizations my entire nursing career and have served in leadership positions at the state level with New Jersey State Nurses Association (Region 6) and at the national level with the National Gerontological Nurses Association. After taking some time off with organizational leadership positions to learn the art of academic teaching at Rutgers University for the past seven years, I am now ready to become more involved with NJLN through the Nominations Committee. This is an important role as organizations always need to cultivate members into leadership positions to keep our organization strong and viable. As members, we need to support and further the NJLN mission “to promote excellence in nursing education to build a strong and diverse nursing workforce to advance the health of our state, nation and the global community”. It is imperative as faculty members that we become more involved in our professional organization.

League Activities During the Past 10 Years

Date	Activity	Constituent League
7/2016 - Present	NJLN Member	NJLN

Major Activities in Other Organizations During the Past 5 years

Date	Activity	Organization
1/83 – Present	Member	NJSNA/ANA
1/85 – Present	Member	STTI
6/17 – Present	Member	Gerontological Advanced Practice Nurse Association
6/22 – Present	Nurse Residency Advisory Board member	University Hospital, Newark, NJ
Chair and officer positions (years)	-Board of Directors (2012- 2014) and (2015-2017); -Board Secretary (2016-2017); -Chair, Membership and Marketing Committee (2016-2017); -Board Liaison to Geriatric Advanced Practice Nurse Special Interest Group (2012-2014); -Board Liaison to Chapter President’s Forum (2015-2017); -Chair, Geriatric Advanced Practice Nurse – Special Interest Group (2009-2012). -Member (2006-2017)	National Gerontological Nursing Association

POSITION: NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE (Page 2)

Name of Nominee: Linda J. Hassler, DNP, RN, GCNS-BC, CNE, FGnLA

Date	Activity	Organization
Officer positions (years)	-Member/Chair, Congress on Policy and Practice (1996-1998); -Nomination Chair, Region 6 (1996-1998); -Vice-President, Membership Region 6, (1998-2000); -President-Elect, Region 6 (2000-2002); --President, Region 6, (2002-2004); -Past-President, Region 6 (2004-2006)	New Jersey State Nurses Association

Major Position Held During the Past 15 Years (Most Recent First)

Date	Title of Position	Organization	Location
7/19 – Present	Assistant Clinical Professor (full-time)	Rutgers University School of Nursing	Newark and New Brunswick
7/17 – Present	Nursing Excellence Program Director (per diem)	7/17-present	Nursing Excellence Program Director (per diem)
7/16 – 6/19	Instructor (full-time)	Rutgers University School of Nursing	Newark and New Brunswick
2/14 – 6/16	Associate Professor (full-time)	New Jersey Action Coalition Nurse Residency in Long Term Care Facilities	36 facilities throughout the state of NJ
10/06 – 1/14	Geriatric Program Manager (full-time)	Meridian Health Ann May Center for Nursing	Monmouth and Ocean County acute care, long term care and home healthcare

AWARDS/HONORS:

- 2022, NJSNA/Institute for Nursing - DIVA Award for Nursing **Education**
- 2017, Outstanding Academic Achievement (DNP, GPA 4.0)
- 2017, Inducted into Alpha Tau Chapter (Rutgers University), Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing
- 2016, Distinguished **Educator**, National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners
- 2013, Outstanding Nurse **Educator** Award, National Gerontological Nursing Association
- 2012, Fellow, National Gerontological Nursing Association
- 2009, New Jersey State Nurses Association CARES (Clinical, Administration, Research, Education, Support) Award for Excellence in Nursing **Education**
- 2008 - Fellow, Geriatric Nursing Leadership Academy Fellow- GNLA (Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society/Hartford Institute for Geriatric Nursing)
- 1985, Inducted into Lambda Delta Chapter (Monmouth College), Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing

POSITION: NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE (Page 3)

Name of Nominee: Linda J. Hassler, DNP, RN, GCNS-BC, CNE, FGNLA

Awards, Honors, Publications

PUBLICATIONS:

Hassler, L., Jarren, O., & Tedros, P. (2023). *Ackley & Ludwig's Nursing Diagnosis Handbook: An Evidence-Based Guide to Planning Care*, 13th Edition, Chapters: Chronic Confusion, Impaired Memory, Wandering

Hassler, L.J., Moscarella, D., Easley, L., & Olaode, S. (2021). Flipped Clinical Teaching: Battling COVID-19 with Creative and Active Pedagogy. *Journal of Nursing Education*, 60 (1), 534-537.

2021, Weaver, S., **Hassler, L.J.**, & Antonio, R. (2021). NJSNA Congress on Policy and Practice, *Medication Administration by Unlicensed Assistive Personnel*.

Hassler, L. (2020). Improving staff response to challenging dementia related behaviors. *The Director*, 28(2), 22-26.

Cadmus, E., Salmond, S., **Hassler, L.J.**, Black, K., & Bohnarczyk, N. (2017). *Developing a Residency in Post-Acute Care*. Indianapolis, IN: Sigma Theta Tau International.

Salmond, S., Cadmus, E., Black, K., Bohnarczyk, N., & **Hassler, L.J.** (2017). Long term care nurse residency program: Evaluation of new nurse experiences and lessons learned. *Journal of Continuing Education in Nursing*, 48 (10), 474-484

Cadmus, E., Salmond, S., **Hassler, L.J.**, Black, K., & Bohnarczyk, N. (2016). Creating a Long-Term Care New Nurse Residency and Preceptor Model. *Journal of Continuing Education in Nursing*, 47 (5), 234-24

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Candidate Biographies and Position Statements

POSITION: NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Name of Nominee	Sylvaria (Sylvie) Oyinkolade, MSN, RN-BC, CALA
Current Employer	Rutgers University
Education (Highest Degree Held)	Master of Science in Nursing, Kean University, 2010

Position Statement

As the \$10,000 recipient of the Dr. Maureen Sullivan Foley Memorial Scholarship Award offered by the New Jersey League for Nursing in 2021, it is a great honor to be considered for the position of nominations committee member on the New Jersey League for Nursing (NJLN) for the term 2023 to 2024. I have experienced the passion for a cause that the NJLN represents firsthand. The opportunity to serve as a volunteer in this role would be rewarding, allow me to give back to the organization, and provide a learning experience for me. With my twenty-plus years of experience as a nurse who has worked in various healthcare settings and academic achievements, I am confident I would make an excellent candidate to serve on any committee the NJLN deems fit. I am prepared to take on the challenges it will bring.

The New Jersey League for Nursing recognizes the significance of the professional advancement of nursing education and a diverse workforce. This recognition made the journey to earning my Doctor of Nursing Practice degree possible. The NJLN needs strong leaders that will bring unique values and expertise to address the challenges faced by the nursing profession in New Jersey.

If given the opportunity, my primary goal is to work collaboratively in building a more robust workforce and nursing education for New Jersey nurses. I look forward to dedicating my time and giving back to this great organization.

League Activities During the Past 10 Years

Date	Activity	Constituent League
July 2021	Dr. Maureen Sullivan Foley Memorial Scholarship Award Recipient	New Jersey League for Nursing
2021 to Present	Member	New Jersey League for Nursing

Major Activities in Other Organizations During the Past 5 years

Date	Activity	Organization
September 2022	Intern with the NJACTS	Rutgers University
April 2022	Induction into the Honor Society of Nursing	William Paterson University
September 2020	Enrolled into the Doctor of Nursing Practice Program	William Paterson University

Major Position Held During the Past 15 Years (Most Recent First)

Date	Title of Position	Organization	Location
September 2020 – Present	Adjunct Faculty	William Paterson University	Wayne, NJ
March 2009 – Present	Health Care Case Manager	Rutgers University	Newark, NJ

Awards, Honors, Publications

- Dr. Maureen Sullivan Foley Memorial Scholarship Award – 2021 – The New Jersey League for Nursing.
- Volunteer-of-the-Year Award – 2019 – Co-President of the Parent Faculty Forum at JFK Memorial High School.