

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS NETWORK DIRECTOR ON THE CNA BOARD OF DIRECTORS June 2020 – June 2022

CNA is the national professional voice of registered nurses in Canada, representing over 139,000 registered nurses. CNA advances the practice and profession of nursing to improve health outcomes and strengthen Canada's publicly funded, not-for-profit health system.

CNA is seeking an interested registered nurse who is a member of one of CNA's Canadian Network of Nursing Specialties (network) organizations to serve as one of two network directors on the CNA board of directors for the period June 2020 to June 2022.

CRITERIA

In addition to the requirements of the *Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act*, all directors shall meet the requirements for directors set out in the board policy (CNA Bylaw 31).

Candidates must:

- Be individuals over the age of 18 years who have not been declared incapable by a court and who do not have the status of bankrupt (s.126, Act);
- Be individuals whose nominating specialty group has paid its network membership fees.
- Be a nurse¹ whose licence is in good standing with their provincial/territorial regulatory body.
- Be a retired nurse that is in good standing with CNA and/or with their jurisdiction.
- Be a nurse or retired nurse who is in good standing with their nominating member organization of the network.
- Be a nurse who has paid CNA fees either through their jurisdictional member or as part of the independent nurses group for the last two years.
- Not be a current employee or independent contractor of a network member, CNA or any other CNA member, other than an individual who is paid by a network group to serve as its president.
- Be able to attend three board meetings per year (two days each), in March, June and November, and teleconferences as required.
- Be able to attend three (3) one-day meetings to discuss network business with CNA staff in conjunction with CNA board meetings.
- Have current or previous experience on a board of directors of a network member.
- Be able to chair regular network meetings (up to five times per year) and ad hoc teleconferences.
- Be able to chair the monthly Network Advisory Committee meetings.

¹ Nurse refers to registered nurses, nurse practitioners, licenced/registered practical nurses, registered psychiatric nurses and retired nurses.

Candidates must submit their online nomination form, which would include providing responses to the following:

- My career background (250 words maximum)
- Why I am running for the position of network representative (100 words maximum)
- What I bring to the role (100 words maximum)
- My statement of philosophy (200 words maximum)
- My election platform (250 words maximum)
- A current professional colour photo (high resolution, electronic format).

Candidates must also provide (1) a current colour photo; and (2) references, as follows:

- A letter or e-mail notification to be sent by their provincial/territorial regulatory body confirming that their licence is in good standing or retired status.
- Written confirmation that the nominee's membership in their nominating member network organization is in good standing.
- Written confirmation that the nominee has paid CNA fees either through their jurisdictional member or as part of the independent nurses group (or CNA subscription where necessary, for example, for Licenced/Registered Practical Nurses or Registered Psychiatric Nurses).
- A letter of endorsement from their national association.
- Their employer's support to attend meetings and teleconferences.

The closing date for nominations is **Friday, March 1, 2020**.

Meet the candidates webinar

A "Meet the Candidates" webinar will be held on **Wednesday, March 11, 2019**, 12:00-13:00 ET.

Candidates will be invited to speak about their election platform and respond to two predetermined questions.

Voting

After the "Meet the Candidates" webinar, CNA will e-mail the online ballot to the eligible network members.

The voting deadline is **April 5, 2020**.

The candidate with most votes shall be included on the election ballot presented to CNA's annual meeting of members on **June 22, 2020**.

On June 22, 2020, any nominations from the floor need to be submitted between 8:30 and 9:00 am to be verified, which would include written proof of membership in good standing with the network member and their regulatory body.

Procedure for nominations made from the floor

If there is a nomination from the floor, resulting in two or more nominees from the Network members, there will be an election held between those candidates. Prior to such election, each of those candidates shall be allotted two minutes to speak to the meeting, and there will be an opportunity for the Network members to ask questions of the candidates. In the election, the candidate who receives the highest number of votes shall be declared elected as the Network director.

In the event there is only one candidate, the network voting delegates may move the motion to elect the Network director, and no seconder for such a motion will be required.

Notification of election results

CNA shall notify network members of the election results after June 22, 2020.

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