

Nomination and Election Update

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The Nominations and Elections Committee (NEC) recognizes that most nurses lead very busy lives, so that the election process must take that into account. Sometimes members say they missed the opportunity to run for office because the deadline for submitting seemed to sneak up on them. This notice gives you lead time to be prepared. So, mark your calendar. Prepare notes on what you might include in your candidate statement. If this is not a good time for you to personally run for office, consider encouraging a colleague to do so now. And in the meantime, serve on a committee or a Special Interest Group. ANA-Ohio needs involved members.

We had a very talented slate of candidates in 2024; unfortunately, only 10% of members voted. We hope to at least double or triple that number in the 2025 elections. So, you will probably see more reminder notes about elections in online posts using as many outlets as possible. Stay turned and participate in the vote. Like citizenship, voting is a responsibility of membership.

Positions on the 2025 ballot include:

- President,
- 2nd Vice President,
- 3 Directors (including one less than 10 years from prelicensure graduation), and
- 4 members of Nomination and Election committee.

Call for Nominations

Firm dates for the nomination and election activities depend upon the date selected for the 2025 Annual Membership Meeting. However, we can give approximate times for each activity.

- The call for nominations will begin in June 2025 with posts on the website, social media, and member emails. Online submission forms will include general information about current and past work history, education, involvement in

ANA-Ohio, and other leadership activities. A statement of qualifications should make members aware of your unique qualifications and your vision for ANA-Ohio.

- NEC prepares the slate in July.
- NEC posts the list of candidates in August along with bio and statement.
- Candidates Forum is scheduled as a zoom call in September prior to the voting.
- Membership voting is scheduled for 7 days in September.
- Election results announced at the September Membership Meeting.
- Elected winners begin their term of office on January 1, 2026.

For more information about the qualifications for various positions and the NEC process see the current ANA-Ohio Bylaws posted online. ■



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