

## **Get Involved in UConn Health's Nursing Journey to Excellence!**

VOLUNTEER TODAY TO BE A CHANGE AGENT.

YOUR INTEREST AND PARTICIPATION IS ESSENTIAL TO OUR SUCCESS.

- If you are considering joining one of the councils, below please find the detailed description of each council's function/accountability to aid in your selection.
- It's easy to join, simply send an email to Sue Ellen Goodrich indicating your interest along with the name of the council that you would like to join.

### **PROFESSIONAL ADVANCEMENT COUNCIL (PAC)/ STRUCTURAL EMPOWERMENT\***

PURPOSE: To empower nurses to grow and develop professionally.

TOTAL MEMBERS NEEDED = 9

FUNCTION ACCOUNTABILITIES:

1. Conduct a learning needs assessment of all levels of nursing and develop action plans
2. Establish a process for peer review for goal development and growth promotion of all nurses
3. Promote professional certification of nurses in all practice areas
4. Promote professional education and degree advancement.
5. Monitor, evaluate and encourage clinical ladder advancement
6. Coordination of Nurse's week and recognition programs for nursing
7. Collaborate, identify, implement and support recruitment and retention strategies
8. Support the development of the nurse as professional patient educator
9. Work to enhance the professional image of nursing within UConn Health
10. Identify and support implementation of recruitment and retention strategies

MEMBERSHIP NEEDS - Below, please see the areas and units that still need a representative.

- Mother/baby, one (1) needed
- Medical Surgical, one (1) needed
- Critical Care, one (1) needed
- Procedure based, one (1) needed
- OR/Pre-op PACU Services, one (1) Filled
- Hospital Out-PT, one (1) needed
- Representative from Education (SPED), one (1) needed
- Clinical Ladder Representative, one (1) needed
- Facilitator, one (1) - to be assigned

## **CLINICAL PRACTICE OUTCOMES COUNCIL/ EXEMPLARY PRACTICE\***

PURPOSE: To achieve exemplary outcomes through exemplary practice.

TOTAL MEMBERS NEEDED = 11

FUNCTION ACCOUNTABILITIES:

1. Monitor aggregated data related to Nurse Sensitive Quality outcomes and develop an action plan
2. Promote medication safety practices
3. Develop and implement EB standard of clinical practice
4. Systematically review and develop standards of nursing practice.
5. Analyze and monitor patient satisfaction data and develop appropriate action plans.
6. Design, implement and evaluate a PPM.
7. Analyze and monitor RN Satisfaction Survey results
8. Promote ethical practice in accordance with the professional code of nurses

MEMBERSHIP NEEDS - Below, please see the areas and units that still need a representative.

- Mother/baby, one (1) needed
- Medical Surgical, one (1) Filled
- Critical Care, one (1) needed
- Clinical Nurse Specialist, one (1) needed
- Procedure based, one (1) needed
- OR/Pre-op PACU Services, one (1) needed
- Hospital Out-PT, one (1) needed
- Infection prevention nurse, one (1) needed
- Nurse Representative Quality, one (1) Filled
- Nurse manager, one (1) needed
- Nursing Director, one (1) needed
- Facilitator, one (1) - to be assigned

## **TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION COUNCIL**

**PURPOSE:** To promote optimal integration of technology and innovation to advance nursing practice and patient outcomes.

**TOTAL MEMBERS NEEDED = 12**

**FUNCTION ACCOUNTABILITIES:**

1. Evaluate new and current technology for application to practice
2. Improve the quality and efficiency of the nursing documentation system
3. Recommend changes and foster innovations to improve patient outcomes and nurse satisfaction

**MEMBERSHIP NEEDS:** Below, please see the areas and units that still need a representative.

- Informatics nurse, one (1) needed
- Mother/baby, one (1) needed
- Medical Surgical, one (1) needed
- Critical Care, one (1) needed
- Procedure based, example CathLab or IR, one (1) needed
- OR/Pre-op PACU Services, one (1) Filled
- Hospital Out-PT, one (1) needed
- CNS or Education Specialist, one (1) needed
- EPIC/HealthONE, one (1) needed
- Nurse Manager, one (1) needed
- Nurse Director, one (1) needed
- Facilitator, one (1) to be assigned