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2027-2028 Board of Directors Candidate Information Packet

Dear ANNA Members:

The ANNA Nominations Committee is excited to announce the call for nominations for the 2027-2028 Board of Directors (BOD) positions. ANNA welcomes applications for the following positions:

- **President-Elect:** Three-year commitment; one-year term as President-Elect, one-year term as President, one-year term as Immediate Past President
- **Secretary:** Three-year term
- **Director:** Three-year term

Serving on the BOD can be a rewarding experience. As a BOD member, you will have the opportunity to influence policy, make fiduciary decisions, and set strategic directions. Board service requires substantial time commitment, including reviewing and drafting documents, serving on ad hoc committees, and attending board conference calls and meetings. To help you decide if a BOD position is right for you, the Nominations Committee has developed a Candidate Packet. The packet outlines the rewards and responsibilities of board leadership and the process for submitting an online nominations application. After reviewing the packet, if you decide that you are ready to serve on the highest governing body of ANNA, the BOD, follow the instructions in the packet to complete your application for nomination. The last day to submit an online application is **Wednesday, July 1, 2026**, by midnight in your time zone.

If you have questions, please contact:

- Nominations Committee Chairperson, Sharon Longton at sharonlongton@gmail.com
or
- National Office Staff Liaison, Brianna Kemble at Brianna.Kemble@annanurse.org

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sharon Longton". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being larger and more prominent than the last name.

Sharon Longton
ANNA Nominations Chairperson, 2026-2027
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Timelines and Checklist for 2027-2028 Potential Candidates

Prior to July 2026

Before you Apply

- Review the Candidate Packet and accompanying resources, including role descriptions, realities of the position, and policies and procedures.
- Contact the ANNA Board of Directors (BOD) member, who currently holds the position(s) you are interested in, to learn more about the role. To request their contact information, send an email to National Office Staff Liaison, Brianna Kemble at Brianna.Kemble@annanurse.org
- Verify that your ANNA membership, your certification, and all information in your online membership profile is current

Complete the Online Application (deadline is Wednesday, July 1, 2026)

The following information and documents are required when submitting your application:

- Attestation that the candidate understands and agrees to comply with the policies and procedures relating to candidacy and the BOD position of interest.
- Agreement to comply with campaign policy and guidance.
- Conflict of Interest Disclosure and electronic signature.
- Biographical data, personal information, and eligibility criteria related to the position.

Additional required documents:

- Professional colored headshot photograph – must be high resolution suitable for printing
- Copy of diploma of highest degree earned
- Copy or verification of current RN license
- Updated curriculum vitae (CV) or resume which must contain a listing and description of all ANNA leadership roles. Additional suggested information to include in your CV/resume:
 - Number of years as an ANNA member
 - Number of years in nephrology nursing
 - Employment history, including dates, current to past
 - Education, including dates of earned degrees
 - List of all current certifications
 - Professional affiliations/memberships
 - Presentations/publications
 - Nursing awards/honors/grants
- Copy of current CNN, CDN, CNN-NP, CCTC, or other nephrology certifications
- Campaign virtual poster promotional copy and write-up in bullet format only – maximum 250 words.

You will receive an email from the ANNA National Office confirming receipt of your application within three (3) working days of submission. If confirmation is not received, contact National Office Staff Liaison, Brianna Kemble at Brianna.Kemble@annanurse.org or 856-256-2436.



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Meet the Candidates Webinar

- The Nominations Committee will host a Board of Directors Candidate Webinar allowing the ANNA membership to learn about each candidate before the election.
- During the webinar, the candidates will address questions from the Nominations Committee and members regarding their candidacy. All candidates are required to participate in both a practice and live webinar scheduled for:
 - **Practice Date:** Tuesday, September 1, 2026, at 8:00 PM EST
 - **Live Event Date:** Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 8:00 PM EST
- Members are encouraged to register for the webinar to assist with making an informed vote during the election.
- This is mandatory for all candidates on the final slate of the Board of Directors.

**If your completed packet is not received by July 1, 2026
you will not be considered for candidacy.**

Candidate Packet Resources

Online Application: [ANNA Candidacy Application for National Office](#)

Reference: **Policy and Procedure 5.05 Campaign Regulations for National Offices**

Role Descriptions:

11.01.01. National President

11.01.02 National President-Elect

11.01.03. Immediate Past President

11.01.04. Secretary

11.01.06 Director

Realities of the Position:

RP11.01.01.pdf Realities National President

RP11.01.02.pdf Realities National President Elect

RP11.01.03.pdf National President Elect

RP11.01.04.pdf Realities Secretary

RP11.01.06.pdf Realities Director

Policies and Procedures:

2.04 Conflict of Interest Policy

5.02 Candidate Criteria and Requirements for National Offices

5.04 Communication Regarding Slate of Candidates

5.05 Campaign Regulations for National Offices

10.05.01A Code of Conduct



Summary of Campaign Guidelines

ANNA candidates running for an elected Board of Directors (BOD) position can engage in campaign activities to garner support from ANNA members. Campaigning provides an opportunity for members to learn about how candidates can best support the members' interest and advocate on their behalf. Campaigning is encouraged and should be conducted in accordance with ANNA policies and procedures; however, candidates who fail to adhere to the campaign guidelines run the risk of having their name removed from the election ballot. If you have questions about campaigning, please contact the Nominations Committee Chairperson, Sharon Longton at sharonlongton@gmail.com.

Permitted Campaign Activities:

- Candidates can use non-corporate email lists and their personal social media channels to solicit support.
- Candidates can use ANNA Connected to solicit support only from their chapter members.
- The candidate's chapter can:
 - Write an article of endorsement in the September/October *ANNA Update*.
 - Fund the candidate to ANNA's Nephrology Nursing Summit.
- The National Office will:
 - Produce virtual posters for each candidate and create a downloadable version which can be reproduced and distributed as an 8" x 10" flyer.
 - Display campaign virtual posters of each candidate as a slide presentation in the registration area at ANNA's Nephrology Nursing Summit. The slide presentation will also be posted on ANNA website.
 - Host a *Meet the Candidates* Webinar that will give each candidate an opportunity to respond to 2-3 questions posed by the Nominations Committee. The activity will occur prior to the national elections. A video recording of this virtual experience will be posted on the ANNA website and social media platforms. Participation by candidates in this activity is mandatory.

Prohibited Campaign Activities:

- Potential candidates cannot publicize their intent to run for a position prior to the BOD's formal announcement.
- Candidates cannot solicit endorsement from the ANNA Board of Directors (as a body; they can solicit individual members), the ANNA Executive Director, National Office Staff, or the Nominations Committee.
- Candidates cannot use corporate sponsorship for promotional activities in support of your candidacy or use a corporate distribution email listserv to solicit support.
- Neither candidates, nor their friends/supporters can campaign while functioning in an official capacity as an ANNA presenter or moderator at an ANNA-funded symposium, meeting, or workshop.



Campaign Virtual Poster Guidelines and Instructions

All Candidates must submit a promotional copy for an inclusion on a campaign virtual poster. The National Office will design the poster and provide a downloadable version that may be printed and distributed as an 8” x 10” flyer. Campaign virtual posters will be displayed at ANNA’s Nephrology Nursing Summit and on the ANNA website.

Virtual Poster Specifications

- Posters will follow a uniform design across all candidates
- Posters will include a color photo
- Posters will include candidate-provided promotional copy

Virtual Poster Content Instructions:

Include the following with your online candidate application:

- Professional colored headshot photograph – must be high resolution suitable for printing
- Promotional copy and write-up in bullet format only – maximum 250

The information received **will not be edited** for grammar, spelling, or context

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Your completed application and supporting materials must be received by July 1, 2026

Reference – Policy and Procedure 5.05 Campaign Regulations for National Offices

