



## **2025 New Jersey League for Nursing (NJLN) Election**

### **Vote by Monday, March 24, 2025**

**CURRENT MEMBERS IN GOOD STANDING ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE**

Dear NJLN Member,

Please take a moment to cast your ballot in the 2025 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 which will be sent to your e-mail.** Check your spam folder in the event you are a member in good standing and eligible to vote and have not received a ballot link.

Ballots must be submitted no later than **Monday, March 24, 2025**. The results will be announced during our NJLN Annual Business Meeting on Thursday, March 27, 2025, at our NJLN Convention live at Harrah's Resort in Atlantic City. To learn more and register for the 2025 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: [https://www.njln.org/membership\\_info.php](https://www.njln.org/membership_info.php). Upon receipt of your paid dues you will be eligible to cast your vote*

If you would like to check the status of your membership, or if you have questions, please email, [info@njln.org](mailto:info@njln.org).

Thank you 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



## **2025 NJLN ELECTION CANDIDATE SLATE**

### **TREASURER - VOTE FOR 1:**

**Lisa Camacho, EdD, MSN/Ed, RN, CCRN, CNE**

**Write-In: \_\_\_\_\_**

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS - VOTE FOR 4:**

**Carmen Pelardis, MSN, RN, CNE**

**Erica Sciarra, PhD, DNP, APN, A-GNP-C, CNE**

**Luz-patricia Torres, PhD, MSN, RNC-OB, CHSE**

**Write-In: \_\_\_\_\_**

### **NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE - VOTE FOR 4:**

**Lisa Easley, DNP, RNC-OB, CNEcl**

**Fotini Katsipoutis, MSN, RN, CNOR**

**Amy Pizzulo, DNP, RN**

**Nancy Saliba, MA, RN, CNE**

**Anju Wadhawan, MSN, MHA, RN, PhD student**

**Inderani Walia, PhD, RN**

**Write-In: \_\_\_\_\_**

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## POSITION: TREASURER

<b>Name of Nominee</b>	Lisa Camacho, EdD, MSN/Ed, RN, CCRN, CNE
<b>Current Employer</b>	Mercer County Community College
<b>Education (Highest Degree Held)</b>	Doctor of Educational Leadership from Rowan University



### Position Statement

I am an experienced ICU nurse and educational leader seeking a board position as treasurer. I have a strong background in leadership and bring a results-driven approach to decision-making, risk management, and organizational growth. My experience collaborating with administrators, stakeholders, and fellow board members enables me to provide valuable insights that align with the NJLN's mission. I am committed to upholding fiduciary responsibilities, promoting transparency, and contributing to impactful initiatives. I look forward to supporting the board in achieving its objectives and being a valuable member.

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

Date	Title of Position	Organization
2007 - Present	Full-time Professor in Nursing	Mercer County Community College
2024 - Present	Clinical Adjunct Professor	Delaware County Community College
2022 – Present	Clinical Adjunct Professor.	Rowan at Burlington County Community College.

### League Activities During the Past 10 Years

Date	Activity	Organization
Current	Member	New Jersey League for Nursing
March 2024	Convention Attendee	New Jersey League for Nursing

### Major Activities in Other Organizations During the Past 5 years

Date	Activity	Organization
Current	Member	National League for Nursing
Current	Member	American Association of Critical Care Nurses
Current	Member	American Nurses Association
Current	Member	OADN Organization for Associate Degree Nursing
Current	Member	Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society, Delta Nu Chapter

### Awards, Honors, Publications

- First place poster presentation winner at the Organization for Associates Degree in Nursing (OADN) national convention in Tampa, FL, October 2024.
- Received the Distinguished Teaching Award at Mercer County Community College 2020.
- Received the Community Service Award from Mercer County for being instrumental in mentoring Mercer alumni while caring for critically ill COVID-19 patients in a busy ICU during the pandemic.
- Received the Daisy Award for nursing excellence in 2019 at Robert Wood Johnson Barnabas Health in Hamilton.
- Inducted into the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society, Delta Nu Chapter in 2007.

## POSITION: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

<b>Name of Nominee</b>	Carmen Pelardis, MSN, RN, CNE
<b>Current Employer</b>	Hudson County Community College
<b>Education (Highest Degree Held)</b>	MSN, Clinical Management in Nursing and Transcultural Nursing, Kean University



### Position Statement

With over 25 years of clinical experience and two decades in nursing education, I am committed to advancing the mission of the New Jersey League for Nursing (NJLN) through leadership, innovation, and a visionary approach to nursing education. A Certified Nurse Educator (CNE) with a Master of Science in Nursing and a Post-Master's Certificate in Nursing Education, I have dedicated my career to shaping the future of nursing through mentorship, scholarship, and advocacy.

A firm believer in the power of collaboration and professional development, I have actively contributed to NJLN through service on the Membership, Strategic Planning, and Convention Committees and was elected to the Nominations Committee. In 2019, I was honored with the NJLN Recognition Award for my commitment to nursing education. My leadership extends beyond NJLN through involvement in the Rutgers School of Nursing Alumni Association, the American Nurses Association (ANA), the New Jersey State Nurses Association (NJSNA), Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing, and the Philippine Nurses Association.

As NJLN celebrates 110 years of excellence in 2025, I am eager to bring a forward-thinking, inclusive, and visionary perspective to the Board of Directors. By fostering partnerships, advocating for faculty and student development, and championing initiatives that respond to the evolving healthcare landscape, I aim to help NJLN continue its mission of building a strong, diverse nursing workforce and advancing the profession statewide and beyond.

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

Date	Activity	Organization
2017 to Present	College Lecturer-Nursing Program	Hudson County Community College, Jersey City
2005 to 2017	Faculty	CarePoint Health School of Nursing

### League Activities During the Past 10 Years

Date	Activity	League
Ongoing since 2016	Member	National League for Nursing
Ongoing since 2021	Member	New Jersey League for Nursing
Ongoing	Membership Committee	New Jersey League for Nursing
Ongoing since 2019	Convention and Nurse Recognition Awards Event Attendee	New Jersey League for Nursing

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Carmen Pelardis, MSN, RN, CNE (Cont'd)

### Major Activities in Other Organizations During the Past 5 years

Date	Activity	Organization
Current	Member	Sigma Theta Tau National Nurses Honors Society, Iota Chapter
Current	Member	Rutgers Alumni Association
Current	Member	American Nurses Association (ANA)
Current	Member	NJSNA

### Awards, Honors, Publications

- NJLN Recognition Award Recipient in 2019
- August 21, 2024: Presented "Health and Wellness in the Workplace" to all Hudson County Community College Faculty and Staff, College Service Day
- May 2024: Received and presented with 2024 Hudson County Community College Student Life and Leadership "Advisor Impact Award"
- June 22, 2022: Presented Article Review: "Clinical Judgment: The last frontier for evaluation" to faculty.
- December 31, 2021: Achieved Re-certification for the National League for Nursing Academic Nurse Educator Program (CNE)
- January 16, 2020: Presented Article Review: "Preparing for the Next Generation of NCLEX: Applying Clinical Judgment in the Classroom" to faculty.
- March 29-30, 2017: Presented "Innovative Simulated Role Play to Enhance Nursing Students' Knowledge and Attitudes Towards Death and Care of the Dying" at NJLN Convention
- January 18, 2018: Presented Article Review: "Fostering Critical Thinking in Nursing Students in the Clinical Setting" to faculty.
- March 26-27, 2015: Poster presentation on "Promoting Students' Self Awareness towards Death and Care of the Dying through Simulated Role Play" at NJLN Convention
- April 10, 2014: Poster presentation on "Promoting Students' Self Awareness Towards Death and Care of the Dying Through Simulated Role Play" at 9th Annual End of Life Conference by Rutgers College

## POSITION: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

<b>Name of Nominee</b>	Erica Sciarra, PhD, DNP, RN, A-GNP-C, CNE
<b>Current Employer</b>	Monmouth University
<b>Education (Highest Degree Held)</b>	Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree from Rutgers University and Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Nursing degree from Walden University



### Position Statement

I am an ideal candidate for a second term on the NJLN Board of Directors due to my unwavering passion for nursing education, as evidenced by my advanced degrees and achieving certification from the NLN as a certified nurse educator. During my first term on the NJLN Board of Directors, I have had the pleasure of serving as the co-chair of the Scholarship Committee where we have awarded over \$250,000 during my tenure allowing nurses entering and advancing in the profession the opportunity to expand their education through this program.

I believe it is an honor, privilege, and an ethical responsibility to teach our future nurses caring for patients in the great state of New Jersey. The pandemic has shined a light on what we have known all along, nurses are the backbone of healthcare. My educational philosophy is consistent with a progressivism viewpoint whereas I believe that collaborative experiential learning and critical thinking exercises are essential in preparing future nurses and nurse practitioners. As mentors, we must nurture and support nursing students through active teaching/learning strategies. I believe just as we teach our students to provide patient centered care, we as educators must provide learner centered education. By being an integral part of the NJLN I am hopeful to have a positive impact in promoting excellence in nursing education. Thank you for your time considering me for this board position!

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

Date	Title of Position	Organization
September 2023 - Present	Assistant Professor (Tenure track)	Monmouth University, West Long Branch
July 2019 - August 2023	Specialist Professor (Non-tenure track)	Monmouth University, West Long Branch
July 2014-August 2019	Full Time Graduate Faculty	Walden University

### League Activities During the Past 10 Years

Date	Activity	League
2022 – Present	Co-Chair Scholarship Committee	New Jersey League for Nursing
September 2024	Poster Presenter at the NLN Summit	National League for Nursing
January - December 2023	Participant in the NLN Leadership Institute LEAD Program.	National League for Nursing
September 2023	Attendance at the NLN Summit	National League for Nursing
March 2021	NJLN Convention Poster Presenter	NJLN Convention
2015 – Present	Member	New Jersey League for Nursing

### Major Activities in Other Organizations During the Past 5 years

Date	Activity	Organization
2023 – Present	Found member	National Consortium of Academic Nurse Educators
2022 – Present	Leadership Succession Committee Chair	Sigma Theta Tau- Lambda Delta Chapter
2022 – Present	NJSNA Resolutions Committee NJSNA <i>NJ Nurse</i> Editorial Board	New Jersey State Nursing Association/American Nurses Association
2020- Present	Member and National Presenter	International Learning Collaborative

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Erica Sciarra, PhD, DNP, RN, A-GNP-C, CNE (Cont'd)

### Awards, Honors, Publications

DATE	HONOR/AWARD	ORGANIZATION/INSTITUTION
2024	Fellow	New York Academy of Medicine
<b>Peer Reviewed Publications from 2020-Present</b>		
Sciarra, E., & Gough, B. (2024). Changing the narrative for nursing students. <i>NJ Nurse</i> ,54(4),24.		
Sciarra, E., Vardaman, S. A., Logan, L., Davis, S. P., Doria, J. P., Baker, J., Feeney, S., Pajarillo, E. J. Y., Seibold-Simpson, S., Bajwa, M. (2024). The role of educational institutions in perpetuating the academic nurse educator shortage. [Abstract]. <i>Nursing Research</i> ,73 (3), E31 E201. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1097/NNR.0000000000000726">https://doi.org/10.1097/NNR.0000000000000726</a>		
Sciarra, E., Patro, J., Cardinale, C. (In press). Student wellness and engagement: Strategies for enhancing classroom instruction. <i>Nurse Educator</i> . <a href="https://journals.lww.com/nurseeducatoronline">https://journals.lww.com/nurseeducatoronline</a> Sciarra, E. (2024). The effectiveness of group quizzes for facilitating teamwork and collaboration. <i>Journal of Nursing Education</i> , 63(5), 341. <a href="https://doi.org/10.3928/01484834-20240305-10">https://doi.org/10.3928/01484834-20240305-10</a>		
Vardaman, S. A., Logan, L., Davis, S. P., Sciarra, E., Doria, J. P., Baker, J., Feeney, S., Pajarillo, E. J. Y., Seibold-Simpson, S., Bajwa, M. (2024). Addressing the shortage of academic nurse educators: Suggestions for educational institutions. <i>Nursing Education Perspectives</i> ,45(4), 201 207. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1097/01.NEP.0000000000001264">https://doi.org/10.1097/01.NEP.0000000000001264</a>		
Manzetti, C., & Sciarra, E. (2023). Clinical evaluation through transparency: Importance of anecdotal documentation. <i>Nurse Educator</i> ,48(6), 341. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1097/NNE.0000000000001416">https://doi.org/10.1097/NNE.0000000000001416</a>		
Manzetti, C., & Sciarra, E. (2022). Introduction to the accreditation process for nurse educator students. <i>Nurse Educator</i> ,47(4),251. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1097/NNE.0000000000001211">https://doi.org/10.1097/NNE.0000000000001211</a>		
Sciarra, E., & Hackenberg, G. (2022). Integration of interprofessional education into nursing curriculum. <i>Nurse Educator</i> ,47(3), 189. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1097/NNE.0000000000001156">https://doi.org/10.1097/NNE.0000000000001156</a>		
<b>Peer Reviewed Presentations from 2020-Present</b>		
Sciarra, E., Dowling-Castronova, A., Greenberg, S., & Manzetti, C. (2024, September 18-20). The development of a formal mentorship program for newly hired full time nursing faculty. [Poster Presenter]. 2024 National League for Nursing Education Summit, San Antonio, TX.		
Sciarra, E., Vardaman, S. A., Logan, L., Davis, S. P., Doria, J. P., Baker, J., Feeney, S., Pajarillo, E. J. Y., Seibold-Simpson, S., Bajwa, M. (2024, April 4-April 5). The role of educational institutions in perpetuating the academic nurse educator shortage. [Poster Presenter]. 2024 Eastern Nursing Research 36th Annual Scientific Session, Boston, MA.		
Patro, J., Sciarra, E., Cardinale, C. (2024, March 30-April 1). Innovative instructional strategies: Nurturing wellness in health professions education. [Co-Author of Poster]. 2024 National Academies of Practice Conference Annual Meeting and Forum, Washington, D.C.		
Cruz, M., Fraser, C., & Sciarra, E. (2024, March 15-March 16). The development and evaluation of a toolkit on mindfulness for school nurses. [Co-Author of Poster]. Spring 2024 New Jersey State School Nurses Association Conference. New Brunswick, NJ.		
Sciarra, E. & Teall, A. (2024, March 8-10). Caring for future caregivers: Faculty toolkit of teaching strategies to support well-being for health sciences students. [Podium Presenter]. 2024 Sigma Theta Tau: Creating Healthy Work Environments, Washington, D.C.		
Manzetti, C., Sciarra, E. (2023, November 30-December 2). Clinical evaluation through transparency; Importance of anecdotal documentation. [Co-Author of Poster]. 2023 AACN Transform Conference: Innovation and Inspiration: Reimagining the Future of Academic Nursing, Lake Buena Vista, FL.		
Sciarra, E. (2023, November 28-30). The effectiveness of class roadmaps for enhancing student success [Virtual Poster Presenter]. 2023 Sigma Theta Tau 47th Biennial Convention, Virtual.		
Sciarra, E., Greenberg, S., & Dowling Castronovo, A., (2023, June 12-13). Revitalizing teaching to prioritize fundamentals of care: Trust after crisis [Virtual Podium Presenter]. International Learning Collaborative, Maine.		
Sciarra, E. (2021, March 31). Relationship between burnout and academic teaching level among nursing faculty [Poster Presenter]. New Jersey League for Nursing 2021 Nursing Convention, New Jersey.		

## POSITION: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

<b>Name of Nominee</b>	Luz-patricia Torres, PhD, RNC-OB, INACSL-CAE Healthcare Simulation Fellow
<b>Current Employer</b>	Seton Hall University, Clinical Assistant Professor
<b>Education (Highest Degree Held)</b>	PhD in Health Sciences, Seton Hall University



### Position Statement

I am a certified inpatient Labor and Delivery Nurse with extensive experience as a staff nurse in this specialty. I also hold a PhD in Health Sciences, MSN in nursing education, ACUE – Effective Teaching Practice Education, and I am a certified healthcare simulation educator. I also have a fellowship in simulation faculty development and am a member of Sigma Theta Tau International and the American Nurses Association. I am deeply committed to the highest standards of nursing practice, a commitment that is evident in my work and my qualifications. My Neonatal Resuscitation Program Provider certification further adds to my credentials. Additionally, I have an article that has been accepted for publication that highlights my dedication to advancing the nursing field through research and scholarly inquiry. Expertise in Labor and Delivery and simulation is a testament to my commitment to ensuring the highest level of patient care and nursing education. I am committed to upholding the highest standards of nursing practice through ongoing professional development and continuing education.

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

Date	Activity	Organization
December 2023 - Present	Clinical Assistant Professor	Seton Hall University
January 2013 – December 2023	Faculty	Seton Hall University
2022 - 2023	Registered Nurse (Per Diem)	Trinitas Regional Medical Center

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

Date	Activity	Organization
Current	Member	New Jersey League for Nursing

### Major Activities in Other Organizations During the Past 5 year

Date	Activity	Organization
1/2019 to present	Gamma Nu Committee	Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Luz-patricia Torres, PhD, RNC-OB, INACSL-CAE (Cont'd)

### Awards, Honors, Publications, Scholarly Activities

#### Scholarly Activities:

- 1/2021 to present Diversity Equity and Inclusion Committee
- 1/2021 to present Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
- 1/2016 to 2021 Undergraduate Awards Committee
- 2/2016 Postpartum Hemorrhage AWHONN Poster

#### Honors and Awards:

- Leadership Simulation Award – Northeastern Interprofessional Simwars, Saint Barnabas Medical Center. (November 5, 2015).
- 2014 Trailblazer Award – Northeastern Interprofessional Simwars, Saint Barnabas Medical Center - Simulation Sim wars. (November 6, 2014).
- Outstanding Contribution Award – The Second Annual Sim Wars, Saint Barnabas Medical Center - Simulation. (November 7, 2013).

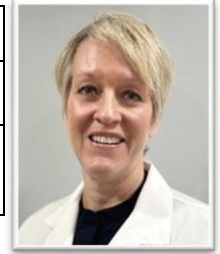
#### Fellowship

- Torres, L.-P., "2016 Fellowship -Simulation," Sponsored by CAE/INACSL



## POSITION: NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

<b>Name of Nominee</b>	Lisa S. Easley, DNP, RNC-OB, CNEcl
<b>Current Employer</b>	Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey
<b>Education (Highest Degree Held)</b>	Doctor of Nursing Practice, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey



### Position Statement

My nursing career began in the United States Air Force spending 8 years as an active-duty RN. Currently I am a full-time Clinical Assistant Professor for Rutgers School of Nursing Entry to Baccalaureate Division. I received my post-master's DNP from Rutgers University and Master of Science in Nursing Education and Faculty from Drexel University. I maintain certifications as a Clinical Nurse Educator, Inpatient Obstetrics, Electronic Fetal Heart Rate Monitoring, and instructor for the Neonatal Resuscitation Program. Dr. Easley is an active Senator on the Rutgers University Senate and is a strong voice for the School of Nursing. She continues to work in acute care as a maternal child RN, bringing the latest evidence to the bedside. My experience makes me an excellent candidate for the NJLN Nominations Committee.

### Major Position Held During the Past 10 Years (Most Recent First)

Date	Title of Position	Organization
January 2020 - present	Clinical Assistant Professor	Rutgers University School of Nursing Entry to Baccalaureate Practice Division
January 2020 - present	Maternal Newborn Care Center Staff Nurse	Hunterdon Medical Center, Flemington
June 2019 - September 2019	Interim Director Maternal Neonatal Care Center	Hunterdon Medical Center, Flemington
October 2015 – January 2020	Clinical Coordinator Maternal Neonatal Care Center	Hunterdon Medical Center, Flemington

### League Activities During the Past 10 Years

Date	Activity	League
Current	Member	New Jersey League for Nursing

### Major Activities in Other Organizations During the Past 5 years

Date	Activity	Organization
Current	Member	National League for Nursing
Current	Member	Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses
Current	Member	The Association of Colleges of Nursing
Current	Member	Organization of Nurse Leaders of New Jersey
Current	Member	Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society: Alpha Tau
Current	Member	New Jersey State Nurses Association

## NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: Lisa S. Easley, DNP, RNC-OB, CNEcl (Cont'd)

### Awards, Publications, Scholarly Activity

#### Poster Presentations

- NJ AWHONN Fall Conference 2023: Implementing Practice Recommendations to Improve Management of Infants with Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome; A Quality Improvement Project
- NJSNA-IFN Convention 2021: Flipped Clinical Teaching: Battling COVID-19 with Creative and Active Pedagogy Virtual Poster Presentation: AACN Fall Faculty Forum 2020: Overcoming Barriers: Utilizing Active Learning Technology to Create a Clinical Partnership

#### Journal Article

- Hassler, L., Moscarella, D., Easley, L., & Olaode, S. (2021). Flipped clinical teaching: Battling COVID-19 with creative and active pedagogy. *Journal of Nursing Education*.

#### Scholarly Activity

- Manuscript reviewer for the *Journal of Perinatal Education*
- National Council of State Boards of Nursing exam development volunteer
- Item writer for National Certification Corporation

#### Awards

- Nursing Excellence Award in Nursing Leadership 2019 Hunterdon Medical Center
- Prosperity Award Winner 2017 Hunterdon Medical Center

## POSITION: NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

<b>Name of Nominee</b>	Fotini Katsipoutis, MSN, RN, CNOR
<b>Current Employer</b>	Monmouth Medical Center
<b>Education</b>	Master of Science in Nursing, Chamberlain University



### Position Statement

I am currently serving as the Nursing Professional Development Practitioner at Monmouth Medical Center, part of the RWJ Barnabas Health System in NJ. In this role, I am responsible for overseeing staff education and ensuring competency in the Operating Room (OR), Surgical Day Stay, Endoscopy, and Pre-Admission Testing departments. Additionally, I am an instructor for RWJBH's OR Foundation and Program Coordinator for the Southern Region. I also teach basic asepsis to medical and PA students at Rutgers University.

My nursing career began in Labor & Delivery in 2008, and I transitioned to the OR in 2013, where I specialized in spine, neurosurgery, and organ procurements. In 2018, I was promoted to OR Assistant Clinical Director, and in 2019, I became the Clinical Director. Since late 2020, I have focused on nursing education and professional development. I hold a national CNOR certification and have recently earned my MSN in Nursing Education.

I am passionate about advancing nursing education and fostering professional growth. My diverse experience and commitment to excellence make me a strong candidate for the nomination committee.

### Major Position Held During the Past 10 Years (Most Recent First)

Date	Title of Position	Organization
November 2020 - present	Nursing Professional Development Practitioner, Perioperative Services	RWJBH Monmouth Medical Center, Long Branch
January 2020 - present	Clinical Director, Operating Room	RWJBH Monmouth Medical Center, Long Branch
June 2019 - September 2019	Assistant Clinical Director, Operating Room	RWJBH Monmouth Medical Center, Long Branch
April 2013 - August 2018	Staff Nurse, Operating Room	RWJBH Monmouth Medical Center, Long Branch
August 2014 - March 2016	Staff Nurse, Operating Room (per diem)	Ambulatory Surgical Center of New Jersey

## NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: Fotini Katsipoutis, MSN, RN, CNOR

### League Activities During the Past 10 Years

Date	Activity	League
Current	Member	New Jersey League for Nursing

### Major Activities in Other Organizations During the Past 5 years

Date	Activity	Organization
Current	Member	National League for Nursing
Current	Member	Association PeriOperative Registered Nurses (AORN)
Current	Member	Sigma Theta Tau International – Phi Pi Chapter
Current	Member	American Nurses Association

### Awards, Publications, Scholarly Activity

- ANCC Magnet Poster Presentation: “Development of a Perioperative Process for Mitomycin C Administration” (2025)
- NJCOMO Podium Presentation: “Development of a Perioperative Process for Mitomycin C Administration” (2025)
- AORN Poster Presentation: “Development of a Perioperative Process for Mitomycin C Administration” (2025)
- RWJBH Nursing Research Symposium Podium Presentation: “Development of a Perioperative Process for Mitomycin C Administration” (2024)
- NLN Nursing Education Scholarship (2024)
- NJLN Friends of Nursing Scholarship (2024)
- MMC Foundation Clinical Education Scholarship (2024)
- AORN Medtronic Endowed Scholarship (2024)
- Nurses @ ViVE Scholarship (2024) – 1 of 25 nurses nationwide
- MMC Employee Giving Campaign Scholarship (2023, 2024)
- AORN Professional Education Grant (2022)
- MMC Critical Care Cares Award (2018)

## POSITION: NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

<b>Name of Nominee</b>	Amy Pizzulo, DNP, RN
<b>Current Employer</b>	Ramapo College of New Jersey Nursing
<b>Education (Highest Degree Held)</b>	Doctor of Nursing Practice, Chamberlain University



### Position Statement

I have been working in nursing education since 2018 and have experience in both an associate program with didactic and clinical teaching as well as didactic teaching in an undergraduate Bachelor's program. I have been on many committees such as Curriculum, Student Affairs, and Assessment.

### Major Position Held During the Past 10 Years (Most Recent First)

Date	Title of Position	Organization
September 2022 – present	Assistant Professor of Nursing	Ramapo College of New Jersey
June 2023 – August 2023	Registered Camp Nurse	Township of West Milford
February 2018 – June 2022	Assistant Professor	Passaic County Community College
May 2015 – October 2019	Registered Nurse	St. Barnabas Medical Center

### League Activities During the Past 10 Years

Date	Activity	League
Current	Member	New Jersey League for Nursing
2023 – Present	Member	National League for Nursing

### Major Activities in Other Organizations During the Past 5 years

Date	Activity	Organization
2023 – Present	Phi Sigma Chapter Member	Sigma Theta Tau Nursing Honor Society

### Awards, Publications, Scholarly Activity

#### Publications

- Pizzulo, Amy DNP, RN. Using ChatGPT to engage students and promote critical thinking. Nursing Made Incredibly Easy! 22(6):p 43-47, November/December 2024. | DOI: 10.1097/nme.0000000000000072
- Nursing 2023; Reviewer (12/2023 - present)
- Nursing Exams. (2023, January). TEAS Test & Study Guide Information. NursingExams.org. <https://nursingexams.org/teas/> ; Contributor Online

## NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: Amy Pizzulo, DNP, RN

### Presentations

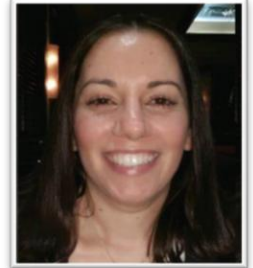
- Ramapo College Faculty Wellness Presentation; Stress Management Techniques for Faculty and Staff (5/2024)
- Ramapo College Faculty Development Day TechFest2024; Using ChatGPT to Create Engaging Activities & Promote Critical Thinking (3/6/2024)
- New York University Faculty Resource Network Teach Share Conference; Using ChatGPT to Create Engaging Activities & Promote Critical Thinking (1/2024)
- Ramapo College Faculty Wellness Presentation; Understanding, Preventing, and Managing Diabetes (11/2023)
- Passaic County Community College Faculty Development Day Presentation; Using ECHO360 in the Classroom (5/2019)

### Awards / Recognition

- Sigma Theta Tau International Phi Sigma Induction Ceremony; Invited guest speaker (3/20/2023)
- Ramapo Advisory Board Meeting; Invited alumni representative (11/10/2022)
- Passaic County Community College Nurse Pinning Ceremony; Invited guest speaker (5/2022)
- Chamberlain University Doctorate of Nursing Practice; High Distinction recognition (12/2021)

## POSITION: NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

<b>Name of Nominee</b>	Nancy Saliba, MA, RN, CNE
<b>Current Employer</b>	Hudson County Community College
<b>Education (Highest Degree Held)</b>	M.A., Adult Psychiatric Mental Health, New York University



### Position Statement

My background is in psychiatric emergency services within both urban and suburban areas, and I have been teaching in the HCCC Nursing Program since 2007. I began my career in Psychiatric Emergency Services, working with children, adults, and older adults at a primary medical community hospital.

As an educator, I enjoy creating an immersive and supportive learning environment for students in clinical settings, and I utilize technology in various settings to enhance programming and student performance. I earned an M.A. in Adult Psychiatric Mental Health from New York University and a B.S.N. from Seton Hall University. I am certified as a Certified Nurse Educator (CNE) by the National League for Nursing and hold ANCC Board Certification in Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing.

I am looking forward to the opportunity to serve on the Nominations Committee, if elected.

### Major Position Held During the Past 10 Years (Most Recent First)

Date	Title of Position	Organization
2017 - current	College Lecturer	Hudson County Community College (HCCC)
2007-2016	College Lecturer	Christ Hospital School of Nursing

### League Activities During the Past 10 Years

Date	Activity	League
Current	Member	New Jersey League for Nursing
Current	Member	National League for Nursing
2018	Nurse Recognition Award Recipient	New Jersey League for Nursing

### Major Activities in Other Organizations During the Past 5 years

Date	Activity	Organization
Current	Member	American Nurses Association



## NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: Nancy Saliba, MA, RN, CNE (Cont'd)

### Awards, Publications, Scholarly Activity

#### Presentations

- Innovative Simulated Role Play to Enhance Nursing Students' Knowledge and Attitudes Towards Death and Care of the Dying at the New Jersey League of Nurses (NJLN) Convention and at HCCC.
- Promoting Nursing Students' Self-Awareness Towards Death and Care of the Dying Through Simulated Role Play" at Rutgers College of Nursing Center for Professional Development.
- Utilizing YouTube in Nursing Education" at Advance for Nurses.

#### Awards / Recognition

- New Jersey League for Nursing Nurse Recognition Award Recipient (2018)

## POSITION: NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

<b>Name of Nominee</b>	Anju Wadhawan, MSN, MHA, RN, PhD student
<b>Current Employer</b>	Rutgers University
<b>Education (Highest Degree Held)</b>	Master of Science in Nursing, Master in Health Administration, University of Phoenix



### Position Statement

I am honored to submit my self-nomination for the NJLN Nominating Committee. With over 25 years of experience as a nurse and educator, I am deeply committed to advancing the mission of NJLN and supporting the development of strong, dedicated leadership within our organization.

As the recipient of the Dr. Maureen Sullivan Foley Scholarship Award from NJLN in 2024, I am passionate about fostering excellence in nursing education and leadership. I have actively participated in mentoring, leadership development, and strategic planning throughout my career, ensuring that qualified and passionate individuals are recognized and positioned for success.

My ability to identify emerging leaders, foster collaboration, and uphold the values of NJLN makes me a strong candidate for this role. I welcome the opportunity to contribute to the growth of our organization by ensuring a fair, transparent, and effective nomination process that reflects NJLN's commitment to excellence in nursing education and practice.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to the opportunity to serve.

### Major Position Held During the Past 10 Years (Most Recent First)

Date	Title of Position	Organization
2024 – present	Lecturer	Rutgers University
2019 – present	Adjunct Faculty	Mercer County Community College
2016 – present	Visiting Professor	Chamberlain University

### League Activities During the Past 10 Years

Date	Activity	League
Current	Member	New Jersey League for Nursing

### Major Activities in Other Organizations During the Past 5 years

Date	Activity	Organization
2024 – Present	Member	Association of American Indian Nurses of NJ-Chapter
2023 – Present	Member	Gerontology Society of America
2022 – Present	Member	Eastern Nursing Research Society of America
2019 – Present	Member	American Nurses Association
2019 – Present	Member	National League for Nursing
2019 – Present	Member	Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing

## NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: Anju Wadhawan, MSN, MHA, RN, PhD student (Cont'd)

### Awards, Publications, Scholarly Activity

#### Awards:

- Rising Star of Research and Scholarship Invited Student Posters Sigma Congress
- 2025 ENRS Student Travel Scholarship Award
- 2024 Dr. Maureen Foley Sullivan \$20,000 Scholarship Award, New Jersey League For Nursing.

#### Publications:

- 2023 Anderson, J., Berryman, K., Dowd, J., Kenny, C., Luib, P., Nkrumah, I., Reilly, L., Retano-Anderson, A., Ronquillo, K., Wadhawan, A., & Birnbaum., S. (forthcoming). Student reflections on learning in a doctoral-level writing course. Nurse Educator.
- Publication "Featured video" on Nurse educator website
- 2024 Under review- "A scoping review of interventions to lower the risk of cardiovascular disease among Asian Indian immigrants" Submitted to JBI Evidence Synthesis
- 2025 Under review "Validation of the Affiliate Stigma Scale for Asian Indian American Dementia Family Caregiver" Submitted to Alzheimer's Dementia: Behavior & Socioeconomic Aging

## POSITION: NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

<b>Name of Nominee</b>	Inderani Walia, RN, PhD
<b>Current Employer</b>	Ramapo College of New Jersey Nursing
<b>Education (Highest Degree Held)</b>	PhD, New York University, Rory Meyers College of Nursing



### Position Statement

I would be happy to serve on Nomination Committee. I have over twenty years of nursing experience in various specialties, such as, liver and kidney transplant, medical-surgical nursing, trauma, GI oncology, nursing staff development and nursing faculty. My current position is as an Assistant Professor of Nursing. I have experience in education both in the hospital and academic setting. As an Assistant Professor I utilize innovative teaching strategies such as lecture, videos, group work, and case studies to engage students in learning so that they master course content and feel confident in their skills and knowledge.

### Major Position Held During the Past 10 Years (Most Recent First)

Date	Title of Position	Organization
August 2021 – present	Assistant Professor of Nursing	Ramapo College of New Jersey
January 2019 – August 2021	Specialist Professor and PL Simulation Coordinator	Monmouth University, Long Branch
January 2019 – present	Per Diem-Surgical Oncology	Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, Middletown

### League Activities During the Past 10 Years

Date	Activity	League
Current	Member	New Jersey League for Nursing

### Major Activities in Other Organizations During the Past 5 years

Date	Activity	Organization
Current	IRB Review Board	Ramapo College of New Jersey
Current	Governance Board Position	Sigma Theta Tau International-Upsilon Chapter

### Awards, Publications, Scholarly Activity

#### Publications:

- Walia, I., Krainovich-Miller, B., Djukic, Maja. (2022). Nurses' Lived Experience With Nurse–Physician Collaboration. *The Journal of Continuing Education in Nursing*, 53 (9), 397-403.

#### Book Review

- Review of: Birks, Melanie; Davis, Jenny; Chapman, Ysanne B.(2020). *Professional and Therapeutic Communication*, 2nd Edition. Oxford University Press.

#### Abstract Reviewer

- 2022-2024 National League for nursing conference abstract reviewer

## NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: Inderani Walia, RN, PhD

### Awards, Publications, Scholarly Activity

#### Podium Presentations:

- 3/24/23 Nurses' Lived Experience With Nurse–Physician Collaboration Paper Presentation Panel on Organization and Workforce Issues ENRS 29th Scientific Sessions
- 4/20/22 Nurses' Lived Experience with Physician Collaboration  
*26th Annual Research, Evidence-Based Practice, and Performance Improvement in Healthcare Conference on, University of Southern Indiana*

#### Poster Presentations:

- 5/4/2017 Enhancing and Expanding our Assessment of Patients' Psychosocial Distress and Suicide Risk  
*ONS 42nd Annual Congress*
- 4/6/2017 Nurses' and Physicians' Perceptions of Interprofessional Collaboration: An Integrative review  
*ENRS 29th Scientific Sessions*

