

## 2020 Board Nominations Slate Board of Directors



**Susan Dendrinis, MSN, RNC-MNN**

Master of Science in Nursing Administration, Madonna University  
Bachelor of Science in Nursing, Madonna University  
Henry Ford School of Nursing

**Current Position**

Director of Clinical Operations for Specialty Services  
Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital  
West Bloomfield, MI

**NCC Involvement**

Member of the Board, 2013 – Present

**Certification**

Maternal Newborn Nursing since 2007

**Candidate Statement**

I have had the distinguished honor of serving on the National Certification Corporation's Board of Directors since 2017. As my term comes to an end, I would like to request that you consider me for another 3-year term. I have come to understand the organization's work and goals for the future and feel my experience and expertise can continue to benefit the organization.

Furthermore, I have an interest in serving as the Board's Secretary/Treasurer. I have served in a similar position for AWHONN, Michigan Section for 4 years, have 5 years' experience on the national AWHONN finance committee along with 16 years' experience in management in a healthcare organization with responsibilities for determining annual budgets, monitoring, and accountability to those budgets. Again, I feel my experience and expertise would serve the organization well.



**Darla Baker MS, APRN-CNM, RNC-OB, C-EFM, NEA-BC**

M.S. Philadelphia University

Midwifery Certificate, Institute of Midwifery, Women and Health  
at Philadelphia University

B.S. Nursing, Indiana Wesleyan University

A.S. Nursing, Kettering College of Medical Arts

**Current Position**

Advanced Women's Healthcare  
Kettering Physician Network  
Beavercreek, Ohio  
Certified Nurse Midwife

**Certification**

Inpatient Obstetric Nursing (RNC-OB) since 2008  
Electronic Fetal Monitoring (C-EFM) since 2016

**NCC Involvement**

NCC Item Writer and Hosted an NCC Test site  
Board of Directors 2017-present

**Candidate Statement**

It would be an honor to serve a second term on the Board of Directors for the National Certification Corporation. As a Registered Nurse, I have over 29 years of OB experience. As a novice, I began as a staff nurse in at a Level 3 Regional OB center. My experience in a low risk in-hospital Birth Center, Labor and Delivery, and Perinatal Intensive Care provided an exceptional foundation. Later, as a Certified Nurse Midwife, I had the opportunity for full-scope practice in obstetrics and women's health. Currently, I serve as Clinical Nurse Manager for the mother/baby unit in a Level 3 OB center. I am certified in Inpatient Obstetric Nursing, and am scheduled to sit for the fetal monitoring certification exam. I promote and encourage certification among my staff and have over 50% of my eligible staff having 1 or more certifications. I have hosted as a test site for the NCC exams, and have served as an item reviewer for continuing education modules. Additionally, I have been active in the Association of Women's Health, Obstetric, and Neonatal Nurses by serving as a Chapter Coordinator for the past 10 years. As such, I've been involved in planning our annual Ohio State Conference, as well as developing educational programs for the Dayton Ohio Chapter. I have presented both poster and podium presentations at local, state, and national conferences. Most importantly, I have a passion for life-long learning, professional certification, and for assisting others to reach their full potential. It will be my pleasure to fulfill the responsibilities for service for the NCC Board of Directors!



**Carol Wallman, DNP, APRN, NNP-BC**

DNP, Regis University, Denver, Colorado

MSN, University of Colorado

NNP Certificate, University of Colorado and the Children's Hospital  
of Denver, Colorado

BSN, University of South Carolina

**Current Position**

Assistant Professor and Coordinator of the NNP Program  
Loretta Heights School of Nursing  
Regis University, Colorado

**NCC Certification**

Neonatal Nurse Practitioner (NNP-BC) since 1989

**NCC Involvement**

NCC NNP Content Team Member

**Candidate Statement**

As a certified Neonatal Nurse Practitioner (NNP) continuously since 1989 I have experienced first-hand the importance of nursing specialty national certification and the positive impact it has on patient care. The National Certification Corporation (NCC) has been at the forefront of nursing specialty certification throughout my career. I have had the opportunity to serve on the NCC, NNP Exam Content Team since 2014. This experience has increased my appreciation for the process of the specialty nursing certification. Serving on NCC has been complementary to my 30 years of clinical practice as an NNP, my involvement with the National Association of Neonatal Nurses, and my role in academia. I am currently the Coordinator of the NNP Program at Loretta Heights School of Nursing, Regis University. I am honored to be considered as a candidate for the NCC Board of Directors as the NNP representative. I look forward to the opportunity to further serve our profession through ongoing development and enhancement of the professional nursing specialty certification process through NCC.



**Tonnyann T. Hurley MSN, RNC-OB, C-EFM**

DNP University of Alabama, Mobile, Alabama Anticipated graduation 2019

MSN University of Alabama, Mobile, Alabama

BSN New York University, New York, New York

**Current Position**

Clinical Education Specialist

Women's Service Line

Academy for Clinical Excellence

St. David's Healthcare Institution for Learning

Austin, Tx

**NCC Certification**

Inpatient Obstetric Nurse (RNC-OB) since 2004

Electronic Fetal Monitoring (C-EFM) since 2006

**NCC Involvement**

Inpatient Obstetric Nursing Content Team

**Candidate Statement**

Please accept this letter, as a demonstration of my interest in serving on the NCC board of directors. My professional and personal values are clinical competency, patient safety, integrity, and contribution. I believe my values align well with the vision of the NCC to promote quality health care to women, neonates, and their families by providing credentialing, recognition and educational programs for nurses and other health professionals.

I have practiced in low risk environments, academic facilities, high-risk units, community hospitals, and military medical centers. In my current role professional, I have the opportunity to integrate my passions into the design of education initiatives and the support of a team of perinatal and neonatal educators across seven hospitals in both central and west Texas. I have also had the opportunity to influence the profession of nursing and gain experience working in national committees as a member Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses' education advisory council and the NCC inpatient obstetrics content team. The variety of my clinical practice, my postgraduate education, and volunteer work supports my ability to meet the strategic goals of the NCC.

I believe that my unique skills and knowledge will support the NCC's initiatives to provide certification examinations that are in line with national perinatal and neonatal priorities. Further, I firmly believe that I could be a valuable addition to the NCC board of directors. I welcome the opportunity to expand on my application as needed.

## **Certified Nurse Representative to the Nominating Committee**



### **Jean Salera-Vieria, DNP, PNS, APRN-CNS, RNC-OB, C-EFM**

DNP Rhode Island College, Providence, RI

Post-MS Certificate, PNS, University of Washington, Seattle, WA,

MSN, University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI

BSN, Rhode Island College, Providence, RI

BA in Social Work, University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH

### **Current Position**

Perinatal CNS

Newport Hospital

11 Friendship Street, Newport, RI

Adjunct Faculty Rhode Island College

Providence, RI

### **NCC Certification**

Inpatient Obstetric Nursing

Electronic Fetal Monitoring

### **NCC Involvement**

Presently a member of the Board of Directors and serves on the Policy Review Committee.

Inpatient Obstetric Content Team

### **Candidate Statement**

Thank you for the opportunity to continue working with the NCC Board of Directors through the work of the Nominating Committee. I am interested in serving as member of the Nominating Committee, and ask for your consideration for this role. Work with the Nominating Committee would provide a venue to continue to bring forth high quality Board members, which would help shape the future work of NCC.