



**Name:** Kristine Kwekkeboom, PhD, RN, FAAN

**Current Title:** Professor

**Affiliation:** University of Wisconsin - Madison

**Candidate for:** MNRS Board Director-At-Large



**Personal Statement:**

As a 20+ year member, I am committed to achieving the mission and goals of the Midwest Nursing Research Society. I am Professor and PhD Program Director at the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Nursing. My program of research addresses pain and symptom management in patients with cancer. In my practice, I observed patients suffering unrelieved symptoms across hospital, ambulatory, and home care settings. A drive to change practice through research led me back to graduate school with a focus on pain management. As a young student, I was fortunate to take a Nursing Research course from an inspirational nurse scientist with a funded program of research addressing barriers to cancer pain management. Through her mentorship, I was introduced to the Midwest Nursing Research Society, which has provided me with ongoing opportunities for knowledge and skill building, career development, and networking with an encouraging community of scholars. I have held leadership and filled various supportive roles within the Pain and Symptom Management (now Symptom Science) RIG. I am now seeking the opportunity to pay those benefits forward to assure continued mentorship and educational opportunities for the next generation of developing nurse scholars.

I strongly endorse MNRS strategic goals related to membership and engagement. One of the best parts of my role as a professor is mentoring students and junior faculty. I have introduced undergraduate and graduate students to the organization and facilitated their attendance and participation in annual meetings and other MNRS training opportunities. As our faculty complement has become more interdisciplinary, I encourage our non-nurse faculty to engage in MNRS to support their students and also to share their expertise, build collaborations, and advance the science that drives nursing practice. MNRS strategic goals related to communication of research findings, practice transformation, advocacy, and fiscal responsibility are all central to the organization's ability to nurture and support the development of nurse scholars. If elected to this

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position, I will work to assure that MNRS continues to meet the scientific mentorship needs of its members, especially students and junior faculty.

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