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**Candidate for:** MNRS Board of Directors, Vice President

**Personal Statement:**

I would like to nominate myself for the position of Board of Directors Vice President. I would be honored to serve as the Vice President for the Midwest Nursing Research Society (MNRS). My qualifications, skills, and commitment to service at local, regional, and national/international professional organizations make me uniquely suited for this position. I have served on the MNRS Board of Directors for two terms and have made significant contributions to the mission, vision, objectives, and strategic planning of MNRS and would like to expand my service advancing nursing science and scholarship through our premier nursing society in a different role as Vice President.

I am an associate professor at the University of Illinois at Chicago's College of Nursing with a master's degree in nursing education and a PhD in epidemiology. My research focuses on modifiable individual and environmental risk factors for asthma and respiratory as well as nasal conditions. I am actively engaged with community as well as professional organizations and have received several prestigious awards. Furthermore, I am very committed to educating the future generation of nurse scholars and mentorship of students, junior faculty, and international scholars.

My overarching goals include advancing science on risk/preventive factors for asthma and sinonasal conditions and facilitating the development of the future generation of nurse scholars and scientists in the United States and globally. These goals are closely aligned with the mission of MNRS.

In addition to serving on the MNRS Board of Directors, I have contributed to MNRS at different capacities serving as the chair the Health of Diverse Populations research section in 2014-2015, reviewing grant applications as well as conference abstracts, co-leading a pre-conference workshop in 2015, and organizing several special sessions for mid-career scholars. I have actively participated in MNRS Board activities and significantly

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contributed to strategic planning and efforts aimed at advancing junior as well as midcareer nurse scholars and scientists.

If I am elected, I plan to continue advocating for active recruitment of diverse nurse scholars and scientists, especially those from less represented areas and groups, to grow MNRS membership. In addition, I will work toward expanding collaboration and networking opportunities for members and improving mentorship of advanced students as well as junior and midcareer scholars. In addition, I aspire to continue working with colleagues to highlight and advance nursing science and its application into practice.

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