Elections are now open for the Sacred Heart Home Care Services (SHHCS) Professional Nursing Care Committee (PNCC). The PNCC is a contractually created committee comprised of bargaining unit nurses that per Article 17 of the ONA/SHHCS contract is responsible for the following: coordinating constructive and collaborative approaches with the agency to problem solve regarding professional issues, work on issues related to the practice of nursing, work to improve patient care and nursing practice.

This committee makes recommendations to the agency for ways and means to improve patient care. To accomplish this work, the committee conducts research and reviews Staffing Requests and Documentation Form (SDRF) submissions as well as nursing administrator responses. The committee also oversees the ONA Education Funds and the ONA contracted tuition reimbursement funds.

There are six positions on the PNCC and all six positions are up for election. The below nurses have been nominated and consented to serve on this important committee. Please select at least one nurse from each program. The six nurses with the most votes from each program will fill the top three seats, and the second most votes will fill the other three positions. Election closes Feb. 28 at 11:45 p.m. Thank you!

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Alicia Harrison – Home Infusion
I have been an RN with PeaceHealth for 11 years including 3 1/2 years with Home Infusion; I also float to Hospice. I have been a member of PNCC since Shirley stepped down in July of 2017 and became Chair of PNCC in November 2019. I am excited to be a part of a productive committee to help all of Home Care Services nurses utilize ONA education funds and advocate for positive change.

Tricia Haley – Hospice
Tricia currently works as an Admit RN for the Sacred Heart Hospice team. She joined Sacred Heart in 2017 as a Case Manager and has served in multiple support roles across the organization. Tricia has a background in in-patient and out-patient wound care and home health, and she completed a fellowship in pediatric intensive care in 2012. She currently serves on the Ethics Committee for SHHCS, is a Super User for Epic, and helped interface with Epic in building the new Care Plans for Hospice. Tricia hopes to bring her organizational skills and passion for patient advocacy to the PNCC team and provide support for all SHHCS nurses. Originally from Colorado, Tricia holds a BSN in nursing from the University of New Mexico.

Allison Hyder – Hospice
I am running to continue working to support nurse practice and access to Ed funds.

Lise Tilley – Hospice
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Paul van Waardenburg – Hospice
I am a recent transfer to home care from the medical center as of October 2019. I currently serve as secretary of the PNCC since November and previously I served as the ONA education funds chair my unit-based committee when I was worked in the ICU at Riverbend.

We have been working hard to figure out ways to utilize education funds to better our professional practice here in Home Care and ways to reach out to transfers from the hospital on the difference in our contracts. My main goal is to get resources for nurses to establish and expand their professional practice. My hope is encourage more voices to advocate the ideal and safe patient care our community deserves and we need time and opportunity to do so. PNCC represents a place for me to continue this work.

Danielle Kelly – Home Health
My skill set and abilities are quite varied, as I have functioned in many capacities in the nursing field over the past 22+ years. I have performed nursing duties within family practice clinics, internal medicine clinics, one long term care facility with a focus on Alzheimer’s care and most recently as a Home Health Admissions RN and Case Manager for pediatric patients with PICC lines.

I am interested in joining the PNCC as I have recognized that Home Health is receiving patients that are often higher acuity than they might have been in years past due to shorter hospital stays... And since our health care systems on a national level are being challenged to keep health care costs down and limit rehospitalizations, I feel that SH home health team mates can really contribute to our communities health/financial burden and I have lots of ideas to share about how our team can accomplish this.

I feel our home health agency/collective would benefit from standard practices of care. I would LOVE to see care pathways in place for our higher / complex PDGM clients. I feel that I can contribute some useful ideas to the PNCC for consideration of use. Finally, I feel that I will be a better nurse for our team and my clients if I’m chosen to participate in the PNCC. Thank you so much for the opportunity, Danielle Kelly

Brandy Sorenson – Home Health
Joy Straub – Home Health

Per the ONA-SHHCS bylaws an executive committee election is to take place the February after the ratification of a new contract. Elections are now open.

The executive committee helps to conduct the day to day business of the bargaining unit in coordination with ONA staff. The executive committee participates in every other month labor management and executive team meetings, reorganizations, grievance work, contract enforcement and will represent the interest of nurses in negotiating the next contract.

The below nurses were nominated and have consented to serve on this important committee. There are four seats on this committee and all four seats are up for election. Please choose at least one candidate from each program. Thank you!

Election closes Feb. 28 at 11:45 p.m..

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Michele Apicella – Hospice

Desi Atwater – Home Health, joined the Home Health department in June 2019 and has been serving on the Labor Management Executive Committee since November, acting as a liaison between nurses and management. She is looking forward to advocating for fair and reasonable labor practices and serving as a voice for her department during a time of significant change. To that effect, she attended union steward training in the fall, and is looking forward to further opportunities for learning and advocacy.

Diane O’Connor – Home Infusion, my name is Diane O’Connor and I’ve worked in Home Infusion for two years. I have been an RN for 21 years in the Eugene/Springfield area, working any many areas of medicine. I have been serving on the SHHCS Executive Committee for six months and am interested in continuing because I see how valuable it is to have nurses involved in the planning and decision-making process, alongside management, in the area of staffing and labor management. When nurses are involved in this process, I believe it leads to improved staffing and enables the nurses to give higher level of care of our patients. Thank you for your consideration.

Danielle Kelly – Home Health, my skill set and abilities are quite varied, as I have functioned in many capacities in the nursing field over the past 22+ years. I have performed nursing duties within family practice clinics, internal medicine clinics, one long term care facility with a focus on Alzheimer’s care and most recently as a Home Health Admissions RN and Case Manager for pediatric patients with PICC lines. (Updated to CM at SHHH since 08/2018) I am a fast learner, a clear communicator, a passionate patient advocate, a team player as well as a competent independent worker.

Jo Turner – Hospice, when nurses need a voice, I have tried to be there to provide direction and support. Have been with Sacred Heart Home Care Services for eight years starting in Home Health and then moving to Hospice. I have served on the Executive Committee for four years and have had the opportunity to represent you in two negotiations. I have served on PNCC, Staffing Committee, and PNAP. I have taken the opportunity to further my skills at negotiating and grievances by attending several trainings provided through ONA.

Paul van Waardenburg – Hospice, I am a transfer to Hospice from Riverbend where I served on the executive committee and bargained our 2019 contract with the current Sacred Heart Home Care Executive Team. I have also been on the bargaining team while serving as the contract action team chief at OHSU for their 2017 contract. I have a great respect for bargaining as the current best example of true shared governance for staff nurses.

My interest in this committee serves as an opportunity to understand the history of the Scared Heart Home Care contract so I can better serve us all as a bargaining member when negotiations resume again in 4 years. I welcome any opportunity to be a voice for staff nurses to drive our patient care. Staff nursing has the most to lose when patient care lacks priority. We are called to this work to do what’s best for our community where we live, and my goal is to always seek that voice as the voice driving the healthcare this organization provides.
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