



**POLITICAL  
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COMMITTEE**

**YEAR OF THE  
NURSE**  
**2020**  **2021**  
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## CALL FOR NURSE ADVOCACY LEADERS

### *Be Engaged in Nursing Leadership!*

The leadership of the Arkansas Nurses Association in partnership with the ANPAC would like to extend an invitation to all ARNA members to submit your name as a candidate for the Political Action Committee:

#### **What is ANPAC?**

The Arkansas Nurses' Political Action Committee (ANPAC) is a politically nonpartisan organization that promotes the improvement of health care for the people of Arkansas. It raises the nurses' awareness of political issues, candidates and the political process, empowering them to take action.

ANPAC's purpose is raise funds to contribute to the support of candidates for state and local office, who have demonstrated their beliefs in the health policy position and goals of the Arkansas Nurses Association (ARNA).

#### **I'm already a member of ARNA. Why does ANPAC suggest a separate contribution?**

Your ARNA dues cannot be used for the purposes of ANPAC. Federal law prohibits the use of your ARNA membership dues to support candidates for elective political office.

#### **How is ANPAC different from ARNA's Health Policy Committee?**

ARNA Health Policy Committee activities involve monitoring national and local nursing and healthcare issues, developing and publicizing positions on key nursing and healthcare related issues, and lobbying legislators for passage of health-related bills.

ANPAC focuses on screening candidates, examining incumbent voting records, recommending candidates for ARNA endorsement, and tracking the voting records of candidates that have received ANPAC funding.

#### **If I contribute to ANPAC, what can I do?**

You might screen local candidates in your ARNA district, generate financial support or volunteer your services to assist endorsed candidates. You may also educate other nurses about the political process, and best of all, run for office yourself!

#### **What has ANPAC done?**

During each election year, ANPAC screens candidates in Arkansas's Primary and General Elections, making endorsements and in some cases campaign contributions based on those screenings. The process has made elected officials aware of the profession's political power.

#### **I belong to several professional organizations--why should I support the ANPAC?**

Nurses must be proactive and have political visibility if they are to be effective players in the local, state, and national legislative arena. Candidate support, via funding or volunteer service, is the best way to become a key player.



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## Become a part of the advocacy decision-making process, submit your name as a member of the Political Action Committee!

All interested nurses must complete the attached [Leadership Commitment Form](#).

### ARKANSAS NURSES ASSOCIATION POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE COMMITTEE INTEREST FORM

All interested nurses must complete this form to be considered for the Arkansas Nurses Association Political Action Committee. Candidates must be a current ARNA member in good standing (any other specific requirements will be listed in the position description). Submission of this form indicates that you understand the duties and responsibilities of the office for which you are submitting your name. If selected, you agree to fulfill the duties of the office to the best of your ability.

I agree to submit my name as a candidate as a Political Action Committee member:

Political Action Committee member

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Credentials: \_\_\_\_\_

Street: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Region: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Work: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Present Position (Title) & Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Academic Preparation:

University/College	Degree	Area/Concentration



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**QUALIFICATIONS**

*Please explain why you are qualified to serve in this position (education, employment, organizational involvement/positions, expertise/specialty, etc.)*

**POSITION STATEMENT**

*Please indicate your personal position regarding nursing and interest in seeking a leadership position. (150 word limit)*

Please submit a black and white head shot photo with the committee commitment form.

ARNA sincerely appreciates your willingness to serve your professional colleagues by participation on the Political Action Committee.

*By submitting this form, I am committing to:*

- I understand the duties and responsibilities of the position for which I am applying as outlined in the ANPAC Bylaws and Policies. If appointed, I agree to fulfill the duties of the position to the best of my ability.*

Print Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*By checking this box, I am providing my electronic signature to confirm that the information provided above is accurate. (In addition to checking this box, please print name in the signature line and date above.)*

**RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO**  
**Arkansas Nurses Association Political Action Committee**  
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