



PSNA CONTINUING EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Roles, Responsibilities, and Competencies

SUMMARY

The Pennsylvania State Nurses Association (PSNA) Continuing Education Committee provides support and emphasis on quality of continuing nursing education programs. PSNA is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission (ANCC) on Accreditation. To meet continuing education certification requirements by ANCC, PSNA's Continuing Education Committee members work to ensure that PSNA is meeting standards and criterion set forth by ANCC for both individual and organizational providers of continuing education programs.

RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Develop and implement activities that identify, clarify, and resolve issues affecting continuing nursing education
2. Participate in educational consultation, upon request, with persons developing or reviewing applications for approval of continuing nursing education activities
3. Represent the association in continuing nursing education issues and formulate recommendations as appropriate
4. Recommend new continuing nursing education programs for PSNA membership and others as appropriate
5. Review and update policies and procedures for the continuing nursing education accredited Approver Unit
6. Review reports of activities of the Continuing Education Reviewer Unit and make recommendations
7. Serve as the appeal board for the Continuing Education Reviewer Unit
8. Serve as the quality assurance mechanism for the accredited Approver Unit activities

QUALIFICATIONS AND COMPETENCIES

1. Appointees should have experience in continuing nursing education activity planning and serve as a member of the PSNA Reviewer Unit
2. The Committee should be diverse, representing a geographical and cultural balance within the Commonwealth.
3. The member must be a registered nurse with a graduate degree, minimum of a BSN.
4. The Committee should include nurses with academic preparation and/or experience in education, representing a balance of staff development, continuing education, and academic educators.

TIME COMMITMENT

1. Attend any phone (zoom calls) to provide meaningful contributions in discussions and committee work.
2. Assist with the annual survey of the PSNA Reviewer Unit and any auditing of the Reviewer Unit.
3. After audits, be prepared to evaluate the accredited Approver Unit's activities and programs in relation to its functions.
4. Assist in developing continuing education for PNSA.
5. Report to the Voting Body at the annual meeting via a yearly report to the Director of Professional Development.