

CANDIDATES

REGIONAL COORDINATOR

NORTH AMERICA REGION 6 (ELECT ONE FOR YOUR REGION)



Cynthia O'Neal PhD, RN



I currently serve as Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies at the University Of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio School of Nursing. I am seasoned educator with over 29 years of academic experience including associate, baccalaureate, master's, DNP,

and Ph.D. levels. I have a professional journey punctuated with a variety of faculty appointments, at public and private academic institutions across five states, thus enriching my appreciation of diverse perspectives and informing my ways of knowing. I believe in creating and fostering positive, inclusive, faculty environments, while empowering others to grow, explore, and achieve a fulfilling academic career themselves.

My leadership contributions to nursing have included the following national and international service roles:

- (1) Mentor in the Nurse Faculty Leadership Academy for Sigma Theta Tau
- (2) Member on the Organizational Leadership Network (OLN) Steering Committee for the American Association of Colleges of Nursing
- (3) Member on the national Bylaws Committee for Phi Kappa Phi (an interdisciplinary honor society)
- (4) Co-developer of an international nursing student exchange program between Asahi University in Gifu, Japan and the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio

If elected, I want to support chapter leaders and help them access resources for chapter success. I also want to celebrate the wonderful work of the chapters through visible means. I hope to help

the chapters enact strategic plans that advance health and create nurse leaders. I am willing to be of service however I can to accomplish the Sigma mission.