

BOARD OF DIRECTOR CANDIDATES

DIRECTORS (ELECT TWO)



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I am honored to be nominated for a Director position on the Sigma Board of Directors. I am excited to share a summary of my professional background, qualifications and leadership experience and what I would like to accomplish if elected as a member of the Board of Directors.

If elected, I would apply my expertise, knowledge and commitment to contribute to Sigma's strength and success as a global organization. As a Canadian Sigma member, I will draw on my international experience and diverse leadership roles in Sigma, academia and healthcare. I support Sigma's vision and mission for transforming global health especially through involvement in GAPFON and the UN SDGs. As a collaborative board member, I will advocate for the members needs of Sigma, particularly the clinicians who comprise 48% of membership. I have a reputation as a team player, good communicator, quick problem solver, and hard worker with excellent organization skills. My personal mantra throughout my career has been "It's all about relationships!"

My varied leadership experience spans academia, healthcare and professional associations in Canada and the US. I was a Nurse Manager on inpatient psychiatric units in Toronto and Project Director of the Centre for Integrated Healthcare, University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC), College of Nursing. More recently, I was the Director of one of the largest nursing schools in Canada. Currently, I am an Associate Professor at the Daphne Cockwell School of Nursing, Ryerson University.

In 1998, I was inducted into the Lambda Pi at-Large Chapter. I gained valuable experience at the local board, and later held the position of vice president elect, vice president, president-elect, president, past president and finance chair. I have consistently

engaged with Sigma, including my time at UIC with Alpha Lambda Chapter. Since 2016, I have been a member of the Region 10 Conference Planning Committee. My two terms as Region 10 Coordinator connected me with Sigma members across 24 chapters. I supported chapter leaders and members to augment their impact in their communities. My understanding of the strengths, challenges and opportunities of the chapters was deepened and I will carry this understanding if elected as a board member.

As a member of Sigma for over two decades, I continue to maintain and affirm my commitment to the vision and mission of the organization. Sigma calls us to promote scholarship, leadership and service. I am motivated to hold an elected position by service. Sigma representatives serve Sigma members and thus Nursing and our patients. I recognize that I am privileged and hold as a personal belief: "those to whom much has been given, much is expected". Serving in elected board position is an opportunity to give back. I am motivated by challenges and inspired by the adage: "A ship in harbor is safe — but that is not what ships are built for".

I appreciate consideration of your vote and welcome the opportunity to serve as Director. If elected, I will contribute and promote the vision and mission of Sigma and the Presidential Call to Action.