



AGREEMENT OF AFFILIATION

BETWEEN

Florida Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists
(Affiliate name) AND THE

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CLINICAL NURSE SPECIALISTS

7/17/2017

(Date)

The purpose of this document is to continue the promotion of the unique contribution of the clinical nurse specialists (CNSs). It is hereby agreed that the above-mentioned group and the National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists (NACNS) subscribe to this Affiliation Agreement

It is understood that this arrangement is intended to join state-level CNS groups with missions, goals, and positions similar to the NACNS in an affiliation relationship. This is a coalition-style relationship between and Affiliate and NACNS and does not imply any special membership, rights, or chapter status.

Upon agreeing to this Affiliate Agreement, the Affiliate will:

- Support the mission and goals of NACNS.
- Actively support its member's attendance at the NACNS annual conference and other activities of the organization. Each Affiliate will strive to have at least one representative attend the Affiliate event at the NACNS Annual Conference.
- Annually provide NACNS with their membership list for NACNS to confirm that at least twenty-five percent (25%) or greater than 100 members of the Affiliate hold NACNS membership
- Obtain and maintain the agreed upon percentage or total number of members in common. The Affiliate agrees that if their membership dips below 25% or greater than 100 members, they will inform NACNS and provide their plan to rectify this situation. NACNS and the Affiliate will negotiate a date to review the membership numbers to ensure that the Affiliate is making progress toward the mutual membership goal. NACNS reserves the right to discontinue the Affiliate relationship if the membership targets are not met.
- Update NACNS on the name and contact information for their leader, when it is changed.
- Maintain the leader/chairperson and at least ½ of the Affiliate's Board of Directors, or Affiliate leadership structure as NACNS members.

- Upon request and if the Affiliate is deemed an Affiliate in good standing, the Affiliate may receive a list of NACNS members in the state or geographic area in which the Affiliate is located. In the case of the virtual Affiliates, NACNS will provide, upon request, a list of members that self-identify as potential members of this Affiliate if NACNS collects this information. It is understood that only members who allow NACNS to share their information will be included in this list. The Affiliate may only use this list to communicate Affiliate-related activities and solicit for Affiliate membership. This list may not be used by the Affiliate for other purposes or provided, for free or for a charge to other entities for other purposes.
- Send their list and any requested report by December 31 of each year unless otherwise informed by NACNS.

Upon agreeing to this Affiliate Agreement, NACNS will:

- Share the mission, goals, and positions of NACNS with the Affiliates.
- Hold an Affiliate event at the NACNS Annual Meeting and that each Affiliate will strive to have a representative attend this event.
- Annually review the Affiliate's full membership list to confirm the agreed upon membership numbers. The individuals not members of NACNS on the Affiliate list will become part of NACNS' prospective members list and will receive information about NACNS educational events and membership.
- Identify the Affiliate as part of the NACNS Affiliate community and note the names of all Affiliates on the NACNS website.
- Provide periodic communication, such as conference calls, blast emails and meetings with the Affiliates to provide NACNS information and encourage discussion between Affiliates.
- Communicate with the current Affiliate contact the requirement for receipt of the Affiliate list and report by December 31 of each year.

Annual Renewal:

It is agreed that the Affiliate shall send a roster of its members and any changes in its mission, goals, and position statements to NACNS as part of the affiliation compliance procedure each year by January 31st.

The Agreement of Affiliation shall not be renewed by the NACNS any year unless the Affiliate submits a complete list of members.

Dis-Affiliation:

Generally, this agreement may be terminated by either party upon (90) ninety-days written notice. No reason needs to be identified in this communication, beyond the desire of the party (the Affiliate or NACNS) to dis-affiliate.

There are several reasons that NACNS could initiate dis-affiliation with an Affiliate.

- Persistent Affiliate/NACNS membership below the identified threshold despite membership efforts.
- Significant differences in the mission, goals, and positions of the organizations.
- Lack of the prescribed communication between the Affiliate and NACNS.

Periodic Updates of this Affiliate Agreement:

- The NACNS Board of Directors reserves the right to periodically update this agreement. Updates in the Affiliate agreement will not require the Affiliate and NACNS to go through the process of dis-affiliation and re-affiliation. Instead, NACNS will communicate the intent to implement changes in the Affiliate Agreement with no less than 30 (thirty) days' notice. Affiliate leaders will be given the opportunity to review and comment on these changes. An implementation date of the revised Affiliate Agreement will be determined and any Affiliates not in agreement with the changes may elect to dis-affiliate.

Decision to become an affiliate of NACNS approved by:

NACNS President

(Date)

Megan Hoffman

Affiliate Leader/Chairperson

7/17/17

(Date)

Preferred name of Affiliate:

Florida Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists

Current Affiliate Leader: Megan Hoffman

Mailing Address: Street: 12902 Magnolia Drive: Nursing Admin

City: Tampa State: FL Zip: 33612

Phone: 813-745-4295

E-mail: Megan.Hoffman@moffitt.org

Website: _____

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/FAOCNS/>

Twitter: _____

This link will be put on the website so that your Affiliate can be contacted.