

President's Message



As I begin my first year as ENRS President, I want to take a moment to express gratitude for all who have supported me as I take on this important role. ENRS thrives because of all of you, our members who are so committed to this organization – thank you. In the aftermath of our first in-person conference in two years, there is so much enthusiasm. Past-President Ann Marie Mauro and the Board implemented a strategic plan that will be in place until 2025. I look forward to working with the new Board in embracing the work to be done and taking on the goals we set. Our strategic goals are as follows:

- **Membership:**
 - To attract, engage, and retain active and diverse members to ENRS.
 - Increase the strength of the membership base to expand value for all members.
- **Conference:**
 - Create a forum to share innovative, cutting-edge Nursing Science through dissemination, networking and recognition.
- **Research Interest Groups:**
 - Create unique opportunities for networking, collaboration, and sharing expertise among members.
- **Organizational Development:**
 - Sustain organizational growth through development of financial resources.
- **Awards:**
 - Acknowledge excellence, value, and contributions of Nursing Science.
- **Communications:**
 - Raise organizational brand awareness through strategic communication and marketing.
- **Governance:**
 - Sustain organizational vitality through bylaws, policies, and succession planning.
- **Financial:**
 - Steward financial stability of the organization.

One of our targets was to increase membership. I am excited to share that we have approximately 1,000 members at this time! Long term and new members alike might be wondering about how to be more active in ENRS. There are many ways to be involved in ENRS. Members can join the Research Interest Groups (RIG), which represent all major areas of nursing research. The RIG members meet regularly to share their expertise and work together to advance nursing science. I encourage you to join a RIG. Visit the ENRS website at: <https://www.enrs-go.org/> for more information. Members enjoy *free* access to our ongoing webinar series, our online community forum, and *Nursing Research*, our official journal, along with discounted registration for our annual scientific sessions.

We welcome all who are interested in the advancement of nursing science to join our community of scholars and to become engaged in ENRS. Please visit this page to join: <https://www.enrs-go.org/join-enrs>. A call for nominations will be launched shortly for key elected committee and board positions so please keep an eye on your email for this important announcement. Consider volunteering to be an abstract reviewer for the annual scientific sessions. Another option is to share your expertise through a webinar. Feel free to contact us at: info@enrs-go.org

Our new President-Elect Marie Ann Marino and the Conference Planning Committee are preparing for the **35th Annual Scientific Sessions in Philadelphia March 23-24, 2023**. Please save the date. A call for abstracts will be coming out in August.

Warmest wishes,
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