

ENRS Candidate Statements

Communications Committee

Josie Dawes

I would be honored to serve on the ENRS Communications Committee to help advance the mission of promoting nursing science—particularly by engaging early career nurse researchers and young nurses. As a nurse educator and researcher, I am passionate about building bridges between new nurses and the world of nursing scholarship. I believe that engaging nurses early in the process of developing and disseminating research fosters long-term commitment to the profession and expands their opportunity to make a meaningful impact. With a strong background in social media strategy and communication, I hope to use modern platforms to amplify ENRS's message and reach a broader, younger audience. I aim to show early career nurses that they don't have to wait to contribute—they can be part of shaping the future of nursing science now. By leveraging my professional network and creative communication skills, I will support the committee's efforts to make ENRS's work more visible, accessible, and inspiring to the next generation of nurse researchers. I believe that when we connect nurses to purpose and possibility early in their careers, we create a stronger, more innovative future for the entire profession.

Karen Alexander

I look forward to continuing my work on ENRS' communications committee to help amplify the voice of nurses within health research and promote the vital work being done in our profession. I see the communications committee as an opportunity to support meaningful connections between members, share valuable resources, and highlight important initiatives. Being part of this committee also allows me to grow professionally while contributing to the strength and visibility of our nursing community.

Nicole Perez

I am honored to submit myself to serve as a member of the ENRS communications committee. I have served as the co-chair of the Precision Health RIG, and I would like to

join the communications committee to help serve ENRS members and highlight the excellent science produced by this community of nurse scientists and scholars. ENRS, a leading nursing science organization, has great potential to connect with and support the development of emerging nurse scientists, foster collaboration among a diverse group of scholars, and translate science to key stakeholders. As a committee member, I would support initiatives that strengthen our online and social media presence, as well as other efforts to expand the reach of nursing science and connect members and prospective members across institutions and geographic regions to continue building community. I am grateful to the ENRS community for the opportunity to contribute and amplify the voice of nursing and nursing science.

Monica McLemore

Misinformation and disinformation run rampant throughout our society and healthcare. Clear, timely communications from professional organizations and trusted messengers is crucial. With the rise of AI and other tools, basic principles of communications are being lost and tools of the future are not yet fully ingrained within nursing communication. If elected, I would hope to enhance the presences of ENRS including building deeper relationships with the press, educating and training members in science communications and working with social media savvy members to reach earlier career nurses who are native to these tools.