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AHNA Elects Karen Fink to the Nominating Committee

The American Holistic Nurses Association elected Karen Fink BSN, HNB-BC, LMT, CLL of Willoughby, OH to the Nominating Committee. She will be installed at the organization's 39th Annual Conference held in Tulsa, Oklahoma in June 2019. Her responsibilities will include recruiting potential candidates to serve in elected positions for the 2020 ballot, acting on and cultivating leadership in committees assigned by the President and acting as a liaison between the Association and other organizations.

About Karen

Karen Fink BSN, HNB-BC, LMT, CLL, earned a BSN/Summa Cum Laude from the University of Cincinnati and a Masotherapy Diploma from the National Institute of Masotherapy. Karen has multiple certifications including holistic nursing, reiki master, and is an advanced laughter leader. Her holistic practice occurred mainly at Cleveland Clinic. She is an adjunct massage instructor for Cuyahoga Community College. National and state committees she serves on include The State of Ohio Medical Board Massage Therapy Advisory Committee, AHNA’s Education Provider Committee, AHNA’s 2018 Annual Conference Planning and Opening Ceremony Committees and The Federation of States Massage Therapy Board’s Licensure Renewal Committee. Karen has presented multiple podium and poster presentations, including multiple AHNA national conferences, International Patient Experience Summits in Cleveland, and the APS (American Pain Society) Scientific Summit. Her most recent publication was in the Journal of Pain: Abstracts: Presented at the APS Scientific Summit. She is co-writing a manuscript to introduce a new instrument to evaluate values-based, pain management decision-making. She developed, managed, and instructed The Cleveland Clinic Center for Health Sciences Course: Manual Therapies for the Hospitalized Patient that educated registered nurses in the art of holistic manual therapies at Cleveland Clinic. Karen has been nominated for the Cleveland Clinic Health Sciences Educator Award twice and four of her poems have been published in Stethos, the Cleveland Clinic Humanities Journal.
About AHNA

At its founding in 1981, the American Holistic Nurses Association (AHNA) adopted as its primary mission, the advancement of holistic healthcare by increasing awareness and promoting education, as well as personal community-building among nurses, other healthcare professionals and the public. This nonprofit professional membership organization is the definitive voice for holistic nursing for registered nurses and other holistic healthcare professionals around the world. Holistic nursing focuses on integrating traditional, complementary and alternative treatment opportunities to improve the mind body and spiritual health of the whole person.

AHNA delivers valuable resources, improves educational tools, and offers superior networking opportunities to a vibrant and expanding universe of holistic healthcare professionals. AHNA currently services more than 5,500 members through 166 local chapters/networks in the U.S. and abroad. Holistic nursing is recognized by the American Nurses Association as an official nursing specialty with both a defined scope and standards of practice.

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