Nursing Community Coalition Requests the President Reconsider Decision to Withdraw from the World Health Organization

Thursday, June 4, 2020—The Nursing Community Coalition (NCC), which includes 63 national nursing organizations, is deeply concerned with the President’s decision to terminate the U.S. relationship with the World Health Organization (WHO) and strongly urges President to reconsider. For more than seven decades, the WHO has supported national and international health processes, worked to promote and achieve the highest level of health, and coordinated with governments and other partners in collective health strategies.

Promoting health and caring for all populations is a cornerstone of the Nursing Community Coalition and the entire nursing profession. We know that diseases, epidemics, and pandemics know no borders. As we face the current public health challenge of COVID-19, we recognize the essential role global partnerships play in research, best practices, dissemination of information, and development of vaccines.

The Nursing Community supports the role of the WHO in the international community to combat current and future health challenges. We urge the Administration to rejoin the WHO and invest in global health.

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The Nursing Community Coalition includes 63 national nursing organizations that are the cross section of education, practice, research, and regulation within the profession. Collectively, the coalition represents registered nurses, advanced practice registered nurses, nurse faculty, nurse executives, researchers, and students. The coalition is committed to promoting efforts that advance the health of our nation through nursing care.