



June 28, 2016

Rear Admiral Susan Orsega, MSN, RN, FNP-BC, FAANP
Nurse Chief Professional Officer
United States Public Health Service

Dear RADM Orsega,

On behalf of the 63 undersigned organizations representing the Nursing Community, we would like to congratulate you on your appointment as Nurse Chief Professional Officer at the United States Public Health Service (USPHS). Collectively, the Nursing Community coalition represents over one million registered nurses, advanced practice registered nurses, nurse executives, nursing students, nursing faculty, and nurse researchers. Our organizations are committed to improving the health and health care of our nation by collaborating to support advancements in nursing education and practice.

As public health crises continue to emerge within our nation and overseas, the services and protection provided by the men and women in the Commissioned Corps is vital to ensuring a safe and healthy future. Your long-standing service with the Commissioned Corps provides you with a thorough understanding not only of their mission, but expertise on how to work collaboratively to ensure projects across departments come to fruition in a timely manner to benefit the health of our nation. The Nursing Community is confident your experience and expertise will successfully assist the USPHS Leadership Team as they continue to achieve the highest protection, promotion and advancement of health and safety for our nation.

Once again, congratulations on your appointment as Nurse Chief Professional Officer. If our organizations can be of any assistance, or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact convener of the Nursing Community, Suzanne Miyamoto, at Smiyamoto@aacn.nche.edu or 202-463-6930, ext. 247.

Sincerely,

Academy of Medical-Surgical Nurses
American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nursing
American Academy of Nursing
American Assembly for Men in Nursing
American Association of Colleges of Nursing
American Association of Critical-Care Nurses

American Association of Heart Failure Nurses
American Association of Neuroscience Nurses
American Association of Nurse Anesthetists
American Association of Nurse Practitioners
American Association of Occupational Health Nurses
American Association of Post-Acute Care Nursing
American College of Nurse-Midwives
American Nephrology Nurses Association
American Nurses Association
American Nursing Informatics Association
American Organization of Nurse Executives
American Pediatric Surgical Nurses Association
American Psychiatric Nurses Association
American Society for Pain Management Nursing
American Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses
Association for Radiologic and Imaging Nursing
Association of Community Health Nursing Educators
Association of Nurses in AIDS Care
Association of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nurses
Association of periOperative Registered Nurses
Association of Public Health Nurses
Association of Rehabilitation Nurses
Association of Veterans Affairs Nurse Anesthetists
Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses
Commissioned Officers Association of the U.S. Public Health Service
Dermatology Nurses' Association
Developmental Disabilities Nurses Association
Emergency Nurses Association
Gerontological Advanced Practice Nurses Association
Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association
Infusion Nurses Society
International Association of Forensic Nurses
International Society of Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurses
National American Arab Nurses Association
National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists
National Association of Hispanic Nurses
National Association of Neonatal Nurse Practitioners
National Association of Neonatal Nurses
National Association of Nurse Practitioners in Women's Health
National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners
National Association of School Nurses
National Black Nurses Association
National Council of State Boards of Nursing
National Forum of State Nursing Workforce Centers

National Gerontological Nursing Association
National League for Nursing
National Nurse-Led Centers Consortium
National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties
Nurses Organization of Veterans Affairs
Oncology Nursing Society
Organization for Associate Degree Nursing
Pediatric Endocrinology Nursing Society
Preventive Cardiovascular Nurses Association
Public Health Nursing Section, American Public Health Association
Society of Urologic Nurses and Associates
The Quad Council of Public Health Nursing Organizations
Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nurses Society