

# A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As 2020 drew to a close and I know many of us are more than ready for what we hope is a fresh start. If there is anything this year has been, it is "Year of the Nurse." The call came, and each of us answered in some way but none so more than those on the front line. To those who still stand on the line, thank you doesn't seem enough; to those who have fallen while on the line, thank you isn't enough. We have learned many a lesson and will move forward.

## **A touch of history**

We began in 2000 in partnership with AAN and the Hartford Foundation with a goal of growing the next generation of geriatric researchers and leaders. In 2012 we moved to GSA and in 2014 we became an independent non-profit organization. There has been many a challenge and this has revealed the strength of who we are as gerontological nurses.

## **Planning for 2021 Remix**

Let's begin by thinking about what NHCGNE is all about . . .

NHCGNE exists to enhance and sustain the capacity and competency of nurses to provide quality care to older adults through

- Faculty Development
- Advancing Gerontological Nursing Science
- Facilitating Adoption of Best Practices
- Fostering Leadership
- Designing and Shaping Policy

As a steward of your money, it is the responsibility of the President and the Board of Directors to ensure members benefit from being a part of NHCGNE. It is also our role to engage all of our members in scholarship and leadership activities and for members to communicate who we are and what we do in the diverse communities we serve.

As your new President, I commit to upholding the mission of growing a vibrant organization dedicated to advancing gerontological science.



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