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Diversity & Inclusion Statement
I commit to serving the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners by ensuring that diversity, equity, and inclusion are priorities when identifying, recruiting, and recommending candidates for Executive Board positions. If elected, I will collaborate with the Nominations Committee and Chair to ensure that the best standards of diversity and inclusion are implemented in all nomination activities. Weaving diversity and inclusiveness into the responsibilities of serving as a Nominations Committee member would help to ensure an Executive Board that reflects and includes the diversity of all nurse practitioners in our organization along with the diverse population of children and families across our nation. I will focus time, talent, and energy in presenting members with Executive Board nominees that give equal opportunities to qualified members from varying races, gender identities, geographical locations, physical abilities, practice settings, and sexual orientations. I will reflect the values of NAPNAP by refraining from participating in any personal or electronic communications which may give the appearance of impropriety in terms of diversity or inclusion.

NAPNAP Involvement
- 2019-present—President-elect, e-Chapter
- 2018-2020—Communications Chair, e-Chapter

Professional Experience
- 2020-present—Program Developer and Leader, Healthy Kids
- 2019—Designed and Developed, Healthier Together Televisit Program
- 2000-2016—Various leadership roles, Parent Teacher Organization
- 1998-1999—President, Junior Auxiliary
- 1990-1991—President, Career Women’s Organization

Educational Background
- 2019 —DNP, University of South Alabama
- 2013—MSN, University of South Alabama
- 1996—BSN, University of Southern Mississippi
- 1989—BS, University of Southern Mississippi

From the Candidate
If selected to serve on the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners Nominations Committee, I will dedicate future-focused vision and leadership talents to seeking the most qualified and committed members to serve NAPNAP members on the Executive Board. I joined NAPNAP in 2012. Since joining, I have been privileged to observe Executive Board members role model excellence. I would be honored to role model that same excellence by assisting the NAPNAP membership in selecting our organization’s best-qualified and most-excellent future leaders. I became a pediatric nurse practitioner in 2013 and find that my clinical leadership role provides decision-making skills necessary to serve on the Nominations Committee. Serving children in multiple healthcare settings and organizations throughout my 25 years of nursing experience has enhanced my ability to intuitively appraise candidates nominated to the Executive Board. Over the past two years, I have designed programs and lead multidisciplinary teams to utilize healthcare information technology to trigger best practice alerts and cascading referrals to deliver televisit-based lifestyle interventions to improve pediatric obesity care. My innovative design has involved two large clinical healthcare systems, 36 clinics, approximately 90 primary care providers, and several hundred patients. Energy and insight used to develop this program is the same energy and insight that I would like to bring to the Nominations Committee. The NAPNAP mission, vision, and values aligned with my professional pursuit of clinical excellence and advocacy. My first professional leadership role after completing nursing school was in 1998 where I served as local president for a national charitable organization dedicated to improving the lives of children living in my hometown. Currently, I am President-elect of the NAPNAP e-Chapter. If elected, I will combine my best skills, including responsibility and open communication, to benefit the Nominations Committee’s work.

I am a pediatric nurse practitioner in primary care for Children’s International Medical Group. My greatest strengths and challenges of leadership are experienced and solved each day while serving the needs of children and families. Practical time management and organizational skills practiced daily in clinic will serve as my framework for efficiently working if selected to serve on the Nominations Committee. In addition, my doctoral academics, residency, and project work further refined an extensive skill set applicable to serving on the Nominations Committee.

In 2013, the University of South Alabama honored me with their Spirit of Nursing Award for exemplifying the essence of nursing and outstanding leadership attributes. My aim to serve on the Nominations Committee is to use the privilege of service to ensure that NAPNAP members are presented with a slate of Executive Board nominees who will exemplify the essence of nursing and have outstanding leadership attributes like integrity, equity, and proactive decision making. Serving will provide an opportunity to use my skills to ensure that the Nominations Committee presents slates of Executive Board nominees who represent the best member-leaders from within NAPNAP.