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RECRUITING CLINICIANS TO SERVE AS NLNAC SITE VISITORS

The NLNAC continues to seek qualified clinicians to actively participate in the accreditation process.

If you or someone you know is interested in this exciting opportunity to contribute to the future of quality nursing education, please visit us online at www.nlnac.org or contact Dr. Vivian Yates at 404.975.5004.

VISITED US ONLINE LATELY?

Check out the growing section on **'RESOURCES'** for nursing programs to find helpful information such as samples, guidelines, and our FAQs.

THE NLNAC COMPLETES RELOCATION TO ATLANTA, GEORGIA

The move to our beautiful new offices on the fifth floor of the Atlanta Financial Center in the Buckhead area is complete.

Our goal was to undertake this milestone without disruption in quality service for our accredited programs and those seeking accreditation, our hard-working volunteers, and the public.

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**GREETINGS FROM THE CHAIR OF THE COMMISSION!
 ELIZABETH H. MAHAFFEY, PH.D., RN**

I want to say a special thank you to Dr. Sharon Tanner and the entire NLNAC staff for our successful move to Atlanta, Georgia. From the Board of Commissioners' perspective, the transition from New York City to Atlanta has been seamless, but we know it included excellent planning and coordination, as well as monumental time and energy. We hope you will plan to visit our office if you are in the Atlanta area. I also want to share just a few words about an experience of a lifetime – The International Council of Nursing (ICN). Dr. Linda Norman and I have just recently returned from Durban, South Africa, where we represented the NLNAC at the ICN. We were in the wonderful company of nurses from 91 nations. We learned about the accreditation activities of many regions, which encompassed a range from minimal or no external review processes to review procedures very similar to those of NLNAC. There are numerous possibilities for partnerships and collaboration. Through our representatives on the International Nursing Education Services and Accreditation (INESA) task force, we will be exploring ways we can participate in international accreditation activities. During this meeting, the ICN, with leadership from the NLN, hosted the inaugural meeting of the ICN Nursing Education Network. Visit the ICN website at www.icn.ch to join this group of nurse educators and others interested in nursing education across the globe. We are looking forward to seeing many of you at the NLN Education Summit or at one of our upcoming Self-Study Forums. Have a wonderful new academic year!



RECORD NUMBER OF EARLY REGISTRATIONS... SELF-STUDY FORUM ALMOST FILLED!

Las Vegas is always a popular destination for the Forums; couple that with the valuable information offered at the NLNAC Self-Study Forum, and you have a winning combination. This is evident by the record number of early registrations for this year's fall Forum. Due to the high number of registrants, there are only a few spaces left. For programs with scheduled site visits in the upcoming accreditation cycles, the [Self-Study Forum on October 14-15, 2009](#), offers the most comprehensive presentation of the current 2008 Standards and Criteria for nurse administrators and faculty in preparing for the writing of the Self-Study Report or receiving the latest updates on accreditation processes. This special offering of the Self-Study Forum will be held at The Palazzo - Venetian Resort Hotel Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada. If you have plans to attend, we encourage you to register to reserve your space and accommodations. To register online, go to www.nlnac.org/forms/SSForum.asp or call the NLNAC office at 404.975.5000 or Brad Davis at 404.975.5011.

WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS OF THE NLNAC STAFF



BRAD DAVIS, Administrative Assistant for Systems Support

Mr. Davis' primary areas of responsibility are the coordinating of meetings including Forums and the ERP and overseeing travel for our volunteers. Brad is a native of Sandersville, Georgia. He played collegiate basketball and graduated from Macon State University with a degree in business and information technology. Brad is currently preparing for the GMAT exam as he plans to begin study for an MBA in 2010 at the University of Georgia. In his spare time, he enjoys fishing and a game of basketball with friends.

JENNIFER GRUNBAUM, Operations Assistant

Ms. Grunbaum is the friendly voice you hear when calling the NLNAC office. Jennifer is a native of Houston, Texas, and has lived in Atlanta for 10 years. She graduated from Kennesaw State University with a degree in education. Currently, Jennifer lives in the Buckhead area near the office with her two cats and enjoys cross-stitch and yoga.



KIMBERLY WHITE, Administrative Assistant for Accreditation Services

Ms. White's primary areas of responsibility include the formatting and editing of Site Visitors' Reports and working with program evaluators, particularly those on site visits each cycle. Kimberly is a native of Atlanta, Georgia, currently living in Stone Mountain. Kim is a graduate of Spelman College with a major in English. She loves to spend her free time reading; in fact, she is a member of the local Shakespeare Fan Club. She also enjoys traveling.