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Dear Dr. Barksdale,

The undersigned national professional nursing organizations comprising the Nursing Community would like to congratulate you on your reappointment to the Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) Board of Governors and your appointment as Chair of the PCORI Subcommittee on Scientific Publications. The Nursing Community serves as a forum for our organizations to collaborate, build consensus, and advocate on a wide spectrum of health care and nursing issues including practice, education, and research. Collectively, the Nursing Community represents nearly one million practicing nurses, nursing students, and nursing faculty.

As a member on the Board of Governors, we are thrilled knowing you will continue to serve as the voice of our profession among this distinguished group of healthcare and research leaders. We applaud PCORI's work to improve patient outcomes and provide healthcare clinicians with a stronger foundation for patient-centered, evidence-based practice. Given the current effort to ensure that all patients receive appropriate, high-quality health services, our organizations are particularly supportive of PCORI's initiative to engage clinicians, patients, caregivers, and payers to identify methods that improve access to care. In addition, we are extremely confident that under your chairmanship, the Subcommittee on Scientific Publications will work with the healthcare science community to communicate PCORI's important research broadly.

Again, we congratulate you on this honorable appointment. If the Nursing Community can be of any assistance to you and the work of PCORI, I encourage you to contact the convener of the Nursing Community, Dr. 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 Nurse Anesthetists
American Association of Nurse Practitioners
American College of Nurse-Midwives
American Nephrology Nurses' Association
American Nurses Association
American Organization of Nurse Executives
American Psychiatric Nurses Association
American Society for Pain Management Nursing
American Society of PeriAnesthesia Nurses
Association of Community Health Nursing Educators
Association of periOperative Registered Nurses
Association of Public Health Nurses
Association of Rehabilitation Nurses
Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses
Commissioned Officers Association of the U.S. Public Health Service
Dermatology Nurses' Association
Gerontological Advanced Practice Nurses Association
Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association
Infusion Nurses Society
International Nurses Society on Addictions
International Society of Psychiatric Nursing
National American Arab Nurses Association
National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists
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 Gerontological Nursing Association
National Nursing Centers Consortium
National Organization for Associate Degree Nurses
National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties
Nurses Organization of Veterans Affairs
Oncology Nursing Society
Preventive Cardiovascular Nurses Association
Society of Urologic Nurses and Associates
Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nurses Society