

Biographical Statement

Margaret (Peg) Huryk, DNP, APN-C, is an Adult and Geriatric Nurse Practitioner who graduated from Seton Hall University in 1999 and earned her Doctor of Nursing Practice from Seton Hall University in 2019. She has over 25 years of clinical experience and currently practices in a 180-bed county skilled nursing facility, where she has provided primary care to long-term care residents for more than eight years. Her role includes managing monthly evaluations, annual wellness visits, advance care planning, and episodic care, as well as supporting post-acute care through admissions and follow-up medical visits. Dr. Huryk has been actively involved in GAPNA, serving as Chairperson of the Post-Acute and Long-Term Care (PAC/LTC) Special Interest Group for two years, participating in the GAPNA Leadership Institute, coordinating and speaking at the inaugural 2023 all-day preconference on Essentials in PAC/LTC Care, and contributing as a member of the Health Affairs Committee. She continues to be engaged in GAPNA initiatives, including ongoing work supporting PAC/LTC education, collaboration, and advocacy efforts to enhance care for older adults.

Ballot Statement

I am honored to be considered for the role of Director-at-Large and would approach this position with a strong commitment to advancing the care of older adults across all practice settings. Through this role, I hope to amplify the voice of nurse practitioners working with older adults, support the dissemination of practical, evidence-based resources, and foster meaningful engagement among members. I am especially passionate about mentoring emerging leaders, strengthening interprofessional collaboration, and ensuring that education reflects the evolving complexity of geriatric care.

Through my service, I hope GAPNA continues to expand its influence as a leading voice in advocacy, education, and clinical excellence for older adults. I would like to support initiatives that promote workforce development, advance practice autonomy, and improve care transitions across settings. Additionally, I hope to contribute to GAPNA's ongoing efforts to address health disparities and promote person-centered, culturally responsive care for our aging population.

It would be a privilege to serve in this role and to work collaboratively with the Board and GAPNA members to continue moving our mission forward in meaningful and impactful ways.