



## News Release

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### American Board of Nursing Specialties Re-elects Representative to the Accreditation Council of ABNS

**AURORA, Ohio, April 25, 2007** | The American Board of Nursing Specialties (ABNS) is pleased to announce that Nancy Gallagher, RN, was re-elected to the Accreditation Council of ABNS at the spring 2007 ABNS Assembly Meeting, held March 2-3, 2007, in Costa Mesa, California. Gallagher will serve a second two year term of office.

Ms. Gallagher is Executive Director of the Nephrology Nursing Certification Commission and Director of Regional Nephrology Services at the St. Joseph Medical Center, Franciscan Health System in Tacoma, Washington. She has been a member of the American Nephrology Nurses Association, The American Nurses' Association, the AMGEN Board of Nurse Consultants, the AMGEN Editorial Board for Nursing Education, the European Dialysis and Transplant Nurses' Association, the International Society for Peritoneal Dialysis, the Life Options Rehabilitation Advisory Council, the National Kidney Foundation, the Council of Nephrology Nurses and Technicians, the National Renal Administrators Association, and the Nephrology Nursing Certification Commission.

"Nancy's contributions to the Accreditation Council and its processes have been extremely valuable," noted Bonnie Niebuhr, CEO of ABNS. "Nancy Gallagher has proven her commitment to certification both personally and professionally. By staying involved in many areas, Gallagher brings a great background to ABNS. As a seasoned member of the Accreditation Council, she is a strong advocate to further the position of ABNS to achieve its vision - *Specialty nursing certification is THE standard by which the public recognized quality nursing care,*" noted Niebuhr.

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***Editors Note:***

The American Board of Nursing Specialties (ABNS) is a membership organization that maintains a national peer review program for nursing specialty certification. The mission of ABNS is to promote the value of specialty nursing certification to all stakeholders. Currently, twenty-eight ABNS Regular Member and one Associate Member Organizations represent nearly half a million specialty certified registered nurses. Its thirteen Affiliate Members include providers of key certification-related testing products and services. One Public Member represents the consumer's perspectives on issues about specialty nursing certification. For further information about ABNS, visit [www.nursingcertification.org](http://www.nursingcertification.org) or email Bonnie Niebuhr, MS, RN, CAE, Chief Executive Officer, at [ABNSCEO@aol.com](mailto:ABNSCEO@aol.com).

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