

CRNNL Council: Central Region Councillor

Criteria for Nomination as a Central Region Councillor

Members considering nomination for a position on CRNNL Council must:

- be interested in advancing the professional standards of nursing;
- be willing to serve a one-year replacement term (2023-24); and
- be able to attend meetings and events throughout the term.

To be eligible for nomination as a *Central Region Councillor*, you must meet the following criteria:

- As Regional Councillor you must reside within the regional boundaries as follows: Charlottetown inclusive in the east, Fogo Island in the northeast, Harbour Breton/the Connaigre Peninsula in the south to the Baie Verte Peninsula in the west, and
- you are a current practicing member of CRNNL in good standing.

If elected, you agree to:

- serve a one-year replacement term from June 2023 - June 2024;
- maintain a practicing license throughout the term of the position; and
- abide by CRNNL Conflict of Interest and Code of Conduct policies.¹

About Your Role on CRNNL Council

Under the RN Act (2008), CRNNL Council has the legislated authority to govern the Association and to uphold the objects:

"In the interest of the public of the province,

- (a) to advance and promote the ethical and professional standards of the nursing profession;
- (b) to promote proficiency and competency in the nursing profession; and
- (c) to encourage its members to participate in activities promoting the health and well-being of the public."

It is important to note that:

- Council is there to make decisions based on what is in the best interests of the people of Newfoundland and Labrador and secondarily of the nursing profession as a whole, not individual nurses or groups of nurses. Individual Council members do not "represent" members in a particular region or domain.
- Council as a governing body and CRNNL as an organization do not have a role in advocating for nurses.

¹ [CRNNL Council Policies](#)

- Council members may bring forth perspectives from their individual domains or regions, ultimately Council speaks with one voice in setting the policy direction for CRNNL.
- Council provide policy direction and ongoing monitoring to ensure that CRNNL is managed in an effective and efficient way.

Meeting Requirements/Commitments

Being a member of CRNNL Council will require some flexibility in your schedule, and a commitment of your time and energy. Typically, Council meets as follows:

- At least three face-to-face meetings at CRNNL House annually. These meetings are typically in October, February and June for 1-2 days.
- A two-hour virtual Annual General Meeting (typically held an evening in June).
- Eight teleconference meetings (2-3 hours each).

You can reasonably expect that preparation for each meeting will require between two to four hours of reading in order to be familiar with the agenda items. Be ready to take part by coming to meetings with your materials read and be prepared to play an active role in ensuring that Council meetings are democratic and productive.

Council Committees and Other Activities

- Council members will serve on the Complaints Authorization Committee² (Discipline) and at least one Council sub-committee.
- Council members also participate in other activities that come up from time to time.

Orientation

New Council members have the opportunity to participate in an orientation session.

Travel

Costs and related expenses are covered as per applicable policy for all Council members participating in CRNNL events.

² For more information about the Complaints Authorization Committee, see [Section 23](#) of the RN Act (2008).