



WSNA-PAC 2018 Candidate Questionnaire

Please return by April 25, 2018 to Nathasja Skorupa: nskorupa@wsna.org

Non-Incumbents: Please enclose resume including any previously elected positions.

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Have you or a family member spent time in a hospital in the last couple of years? If so, what was your experience – good or bad – with the nursing staff?

Yes, last summer I was admitted for acute bacterial prostatitis that developed from a UTI. The nursing staff was highly professional and capable, which given the awkwardness of catheterization was greatly appreciated.

Do you have a family member who is a nurse?

My mother was a dental hygienist and father a dentist/anesthesiologist. I also have a father-in-law who's an orthopedic surgeon, brother-in-law who's a general surgeon, and sister-in-law who's a trauma surgeon. My first software development job was for the family's private practice, creating billing and scheduling applications.

Rest Breaks: WSNA's top priority is passing legislation to ensure nurses receive uninterrupted meal and rest breaks and to close the mandatory overtime loophole. Will you support legislation to provide uninterrupted meal and rest breaks to nurses and to close the mandatory overtime loophole?

Yes

Workplace Violence: Health care has the highest incidence of workplace violence; most nurses have stories of being hit, spit on, scratched, and otherwise injured by violent patients or family members. Will you support legislation to reduce workplace violence in health care?

Yes

Surprise Billing (Medical Debt): Patients and consumers deserve to be protected from surprise medical bills, received when an out-of-network provider is seen in an in-network facility – often in emergency or surgical situations. Will you commit to working toward a payment solution that protect patients from surprise medical billing?

Yes

Address the Opioid Crisis: As nurses, we see the effects of the opioid crisis every day in our hospitals and our communities. Will you support legislation to further prevent, and provide treatment for, opioid addiction in our communities?

Yes, but I don't support supervised heroin injection sites.

Nursing Education Funding: Nursing schools are consistently turning away qualified applicants due to a lack of slots and the difficulties in recruiting nursing faculty. Will you support funding to improve recruitment and retention of nursing faculty?

Yes

Public Health Funding: Public health is essential to our communities and to our health care system. Will you support long-term adequate funding for Foundational Public Health Services in the next budget? Will you support critical Public Health Nursing services like communicable disease prevention and response, Maternity Support Services, and Nurse-Family Partnership?

Yes

School Nurse Funding: School nurses are stretched thin across Washington state – with many school nurses covering multiple schools in a district and student population with increased medical needs. Will you support new funding in the state budget to pay for additional school nurses, including School Nurse Corps?

Yes, and I'll work to raise the ratio of school nurses funded in the prototypical school model, so that those jobs will be constitutionally protected under the umbrella of "basic education".