



## **Membership Request from the American Association of Colleges of Nursing**

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### ***Overview***

The [American Association of Colleges of Nursing](#) (AACN) is requesting preliminary membership in the Council on Linkages Between Academia and Public Health Practice (Council on Linkages). AACN has provided the following information in its membership request:

The American Association of Colleges of Nursing is a national organization that represents over 700 schools of nursing. There is no overlap between the Council on Linkages' current member organizations and AACN. AACN's mission to advance nursing education, research, and scholarship is consistent with the Council on Linkages' mission and objectives. Further, AACN is a recent recipient of a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) cooperative agreement to support improvements in public health nursing education and linkage between academic programs in nursing and the public health community. AACN is entirely willing to participate as a preliminary member for the required one-year period and is willing to agree to the terms of the Council on Linkages' Participation Agreement.

AACN's Bylaws and Strategic Plan are also provided in these meeting materials. Additional information about AACN is available on its website at <http://www.aacn.nche.edu/about-aacn>.