



Council Membership Vote – AACN

August 10, 2015

Overview

Organizations that join the Council on Linkages Between Academia and Public Health Practice (Council) are required to serve a period of preliminary membership. The [American Association of Colleges of Nursing](#) (AACN) has been participating as a preliminary member and is eligible for formal membership status.

American Association of Colleges of Nursing

AACN is a national organization that represents over 750 schools of nursing at public and private universities nationwide. AACN works to establish quality standards for nursing education; assists schools in implementing those standards; influences the nursing profession to improve health care; and promotes public support for professional nursing education, research, and practice. AACN aims to leverage member schools in meeting the demand for innovation and leadership in nursing education, research, and practice. In addition, AACN is the recipient of a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention *Academic Partnerships to Improve Health* cooperative agreement to help build capacity in the public health nursing workforce, which supports improvement of health outcomes by strengthening academia's connection to public health practice.

Action Item: Vote on Membership Status

During this meeting, a vote will be held to determine whether to grant AACN formal membership on the Council.