



**Office of Human Subject Protections
Georgetown University**

August 13, 2025

Dear Members of the Board,

It is with immense pleasure and without reservation that I recommend Cheryl Fisher for the Member-at-Large position on the International Association of Clinical Research Nurses (IACRN) Board of Directors. Having had the privilege of observing Cheryl's extensive professional dedication and substantial contributions to Clinical Research Nursing and nursing informatics, I am confident she possesses the exemplary qualities and commitment necessary to excel in this vital role.

Cheryl has been a dedicated member of the International Association for Clinical Research Nursing (IACRN) since 2012, demonstrating a profound understanding of its mission and goals. Her active involvement, including serving as a Research Committee Member since 2013 and Chair in 2016, and leading initiatives such as the "Extending the Description of the Clinical Research Nursing Workforce" IACRN Committee Project, speaks directly to her commitment to the association and its objectives. Her ability to articulate and advocate for the voice of the membership is evident through her leadership roles, where she has consistently integrated professional nursing principles and philosophy with clinical research nursing. This embodies her unwavering support for the advancement of clinical research nursing as a specialty practice and all associated activities.

As Specialty Director for Informatics at the University of Maryland School of Nursing, and previously as Senior Nurse Consultant for Extramural Collaborations at the NIH Clinical Center, Cheryl has consistently demonstrated a remarkable capacity for contributing to organizational initiatives. She is highly skilled in leading curriculum revisions to meet AACN standards, developing new programs, and effectively leading teams in project implementation. Her extensive publication and presentation record, including numerous works related to clinical research nursing and informatics, underscores her ability to raise awareness about the mission and goals of IACRN to the community. For example, her presentations like "AI for Clinical Research Nurses: Bridging innovation and practice" presented at IACRN-affiliated events, directly showcase her efforts in advancing the field.

Cheryl's practical experience in designing, developing, implementing, and evaluating complex systems like the "InfoBot: A decision support system to promote evidence-based practice" within the electronic medical record, highlights her proficiency in completing specific tasks and assignments of the board as needed, including document review and strategic planning. Her role as an editor for Nursing Management further confirms her capability to edit documents, provide feedback, and provide information with precision and insight.

Her proactive engagement and proven track record make her an invaluable voting member of the Board of Directors, someone who will reliably attend crucial meetings and actively participate in the Annual Conference. Her demonstrated leadership in diverse professional settings ensures she will bring a broad and impactful perspective to the board.

In summary, Cheryl Fisher is an exceptional candidate whose dedication, integrity, proven leadership, and deep engagement with clinical research nursing will significantly benefit the IACRN Board of Directors. She is poised to be an outstanding Member-at-Large, effectively representing the membership and contributing to the strategic objectives of the association.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Shaunagh Bowring". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Past President and Founding Member, IACRN