

2025 MNA & District Elections

A Report from the MNA Committee on Nominations (CON):

Electing your association leaders at both the District and State levels of the organization is one of your fundamental rights in a membership organization. So, please exercise your right to elect the association leadership in 2025 by voting and consider being a candidate for a district or state leadership opportunity. **MNA NEEDS AND WANTS YOU!!!**

Since 2019, MNA and District elections have been electronic for members with a valid email address on file with ANA. This makes it much easier for members to exercise this basic right. In last year's election, there were 4,420 eligible electronic voters and 410 voters cast a ballot in the MNA Elections, which is 9.3 percent of the eligible voters. District election participation varied from a high of almost 20 percent to slightly more than 3.5 percent of the District's membership. Smaller districts had higher voter participation percentages of their membership than the larger districts.

It is time to start preparing for the 2025 MNA and District elections. The 2025 MNA Committee on Nominations (CON) had its' first meeting 04 January 2025. The 2025 MNA CON elected Donna Downing-Corddry (D3) as Chair, and Katherine Brewer as Co-Chair. MNA CON and District CON members are actively recruiting candidates for District and State elected positions in 2025.

According to MNA Bylaws, the annual election must start No Later Than (NLT) 60 days before the annual membership meeting, which will be convened in-person on October 16 & 17, 2025. The MNA election must end NLT 30 days before the annual membership meeting. **The 2025 MNA & District elections will start on August 01, 2025, and end earlier on August 15, 2025.**

There will be two MNA leadership opportunities on the MNA Board of Directors (BOD) for qualified members in 2025 which are:

The Vice-President 2-year term:

- Assume all duties of the president in the absence of the president.
- Serve as the Chairperson or Deputy Chairperson of the Nurse Celebration Committee.
- Serve as the liaison of the MNA BOD to the Maryland Association of Nursing Students.

The Treasurer-Elect 3-year term (1 year as Treasurer-elect; 2-years as Treasurer):

- Be responsible for all the duties and responsibilities of the treasurer in the event of the treasurer's absence or incapacity.
- Serve and perform other duties as directed by the treasurer.
- Assist with financial reconciliation at least quarterly.

There will also be elections for two **(2) MNA Membership-At-Large Representatives to the ANA Membership Assembly for a 2-year term:**

- The elected Representative(s) shall serve a term of two (2) years.
- The nominee pool shall be comprised of all joint MNA/ANA members in good standing; have been a member for at least three (3) years

and has three (3) years of current leadership experience with the MNA District or with MNA committees.

- Candidate nomination packages must be endorsed by their respective District President who verifies the three (3) years of current District or MNA leadership experience.
- Know and understand MNA's position on items of business to come before the ANA MA.
- Advise the ANA Board of Directors (BOD) on environmental trend data related to professional nursing issues.

All candidates for 2025 MNA Offices must be a joint member in good standing of MNA and ANA and actively involved with District and/or State activities (committees and/or BOD) for the past three years. Please contact your District member of the MNA CON or the MNA Executive Director (MNAinfo@marylandrn.org) for details on responsibilities for each elected position and what must be included in the candidate package, which must be received by MNA NLT July 11, 2025.

The 2025 MNA CON elected representative from each of the eight MNA Districts: District #1 – Glenna Guthrie, District #2 – Katherine Brewer, District #3 – Donna Downing-Corddry, District #4 – Addie Eckhardt, District #5 – Carol Holness, District #7 – Bijoy Mahanti, District #8 – Sharan Koza, and District #9 – Ginger Winder.

Each of the District Nurses Associations (DNA) also have leadership opportunities which vary from one district to another, depending on the even/odd year cycle, according to their District Bylaws and leadership vacancies. They are as follows:

DISTRICT ONE:

- Treasurer
- (2) Directors
- (2) District #1 Committee on Nominations (CON) Members
- (1) District #1 Member to the MNA CON

DISTRICT TWO:

- Secretary
- (2) Directors
- (2) District #2 Committee on Nominations Members

DISTRICT THREE:

- President-Elect
- (2) Directors
- (2) District #3 Committee on Nominations Members
- (1) District #3 Member to the MNA CON

DISTRICT FOUR:

- President-Elect
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- (3) Directors
- (3) District# 4 Committee on Nominations Members

DISTRICT FIVE:

Secretary

(2) Directors

(2) District #5 Committee on Nominations Members

(1) District #5 Member to the MNA CON

DISTRICT SEVEN:

Secretary

Treasurer

(3) Directors

(1) District #7 Committee on Nominations Members

(1) District #7 Member to the MNA CON

DISTRICT EIGHT:

Secretary

Treasurer

(2) Directors

(2) District #8 Committee on Nominations Members

DISTRICT NINE:

President/President-Elect

Secretary

Treasurer

(2) District #9 Committee on Nominations Members

(1) District #9 Member to the MNA CON

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF DISTRICT ELECTED POSITIONS:**President – Elect shall (4-year total commitment: 1 year as President-Elect):**

1. Assume all duties of the president in the absence of the president.
2. Become president for the remainder of the president's unexpired term in the event that a vacancy occurs in the office of the president

President shall (2-years as President):

1. Serve as chairperson of the BOD and the Executive Committee.
2. Be the principal representative of the District and serve as its spokesperson on policy and position established by the BOD.
3. Preside at all meetings of District.
4. Serve as ex-officio member of all committees except the Committee on Nominations.
5. Annually appoint committee chairpersons with the approval of the BOD.
6. Attend meetings of the District Presidents of the MNA.
7. Prepare the Annual District Report for the MNA.

Immediate past president shall (1-year as Past President):

1. Serve as a consultant to the president during the first year of the president's term.
2. Assume all duties of the president in the absence of the president.
3. Become president for the remainder of the president's first year in office in the event a vacancy occurs in the office of the president.

Secretary shall (2-year term):

1. Keep minutes of all meetings of the District and the BOD.
2. Conduct general correspondence of the District and the BOD.

3. Provide for the maintenance of all District meeting minutes and related documents in a place/manner accessible to District Board members.

Treasurer shall (2-year term):

1. Be accountable for the fiscal affairs of the District and shall provide written reports and interpretation of such reports to the District **BOD and members**.
2. Develop a District budget annually for BOD approval.
3. Serve as a member of the MNA Committee on Finance.

Each Director Shall (2-year term):

1. In conjunction with their District President provide written District Reports for the MNA BOD meetings.
2. Provide feedback to the DNA BOD and members from MNA BOD and other meetings

District Committee on Nominations (CON) Shall (2-year term):

1. Help develop slate of candidates for DNA positions to be elected each year and ensure a complete candidate application package for each District candidate
2. Keep DNA member of the MNA CON updated on progress in developing District Slate of Candidates.

District Member of the MNA CON Shall (2-year term):

1. Help develop slate of candidates for MNA officer positions to be elected
2. Assist with maintaining email addresses for all District members
3. Assist with preparation of MNA & District mailed ballots when needed
4. Develop DNA slate of candidates for DNA positions to be elected each year and ensure a complete candidate application package for each District candidate to be submitted to MNA by the requested date
5. Attend MNA CON meetings, respond to requests for information and action, and keep MNA CON Chair updated on progress
6. Attend DNA BOD meetings keeping them informed of District and MNA Election Progress