



2010 CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

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*Please include letter of request for endorsement by the New York State Nurses Association along with, as applicable and/or desired, additional comments, a list of organizational affiliations, a list of organizational and individual endorsements received to date, position papers on healthcare issues, campaign literature, or other materials you believe to be pertinent. Please attach additional pages if needed.

Please fill this form out legibly with blue or black pen only.

Date _____

Candidate's Name _____ **Party Affiliation(s)** _____

Office Sought _____ **Legislative District #** _____

Status Incumbent Challenger Open Seat

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1. NYSNA has identified the following as our top four legislative priorities. Please describe your views (support/oppose/undecided) on these issues and what actions you would take to further this legislation.

i. Establish safe staffing ratios in all health care settings.(A2264/S3843)_____

ii. Require bachelors degree within 10 years of initial licensure for nurses (A2079-B/S4051-A)_____

iii. Increasing penalties for assaulting a nurse (A3103/S4018)_____

iv. Requiring implementation of safe patient handling policies (A2047-A/S3839)_____

2. Was a nurse involved in developing your current health care position?

No Yes – name: _____

3. How will you involve nurse constituents in developing your health care policy and positions?

4. In your view, how can nurses' best address problems in health care and their workplaces through collective bargaining/union activity?

Indicate whether you support (S), oppose (O), or are undecided (U) on the following:	S	O	U	Comment
1. Promoting a healthy working environment through <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support for an enforceable ergonomics standard (A2047-A/S3839) 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2. Establishing a single payer health care system for NY state (A2356/S2370)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3. Promoting efforts to reduce workplace violence/bullying (A5414A/S1823A)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4. Support safe staffing ratios of school nurses (A2137/S1200)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5. Support legislation to provide the physically taxing benefits to nurses employed by the city of New York (Bill Pending)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6. Establishing title protection for Clinical Nurse Specialists (Bill Pending)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7. Guaranteeing third party reimbursement for surgical first assistants from all payers (A5720/S277)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8. Legislation to codify the profession of nurse anesthesia as a specialty of the profession of nursing (A1727/S3288)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9. Removing mandatory physician collaboration requirement for Nurse Practitioners (A765/S2948)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
10. Supporting the end of the practice of mandatory overtime for <i>home care nurses</i> , while keeping voluntary overtime optional for nurses who choose to work additional hours. (A6492/S5016)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
11. Upholding the Nurse Practice Act that established nursing as an autonomous and independent profession (No Bill)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> oppose any amendment to the Nurse Practice Act that includes physician supervision of professional nursing practice 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> oppose legislation authorizing administration of medication by unlicensed personnel and health care personnel other than physicians and nurses 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> prevent attempts to exempt licensure requirements to allow unlicensed individuals to provide nursing services 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> repeal the antiquated exemption (1938) that allows unlicensed individuals to provide nursing care in facilities regulated by Office of Mental Health (OMH) and Office of Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities (OMRDD) 	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
12. Maintain funding for nurse scholarships (State Budget)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
13. Maintain funding for nurse faculty recruitment and retention (State Budget)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
14. Maintain funding for nurse education programs (State Budget)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
15. Opposing cuts to Medicaid, Family Health Plus and Child Health Plus beneficiaries and providers (State Budget)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	