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## **News Release**

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### **The American Board of Perianesthesia Nursing Certification, Inc. Elects Four New Board Members and Secretary/Treasurer**

July 1, 2014 – The American Board of Perianesthesia Nursing Certification, Inc. (ABPANC) has announced that Angela C. Henry, BA, RN, CPAN, Celestine P. Jones, BSN, RN, MHA, MBA, CAPA, Cidalia J. Vital, MS, RN, CNL, CPAN, and Vasso G. Yfantis, MSN RN, CRNP, CPAN have been elected to the ABPANC Board of Directors and will each begin serving a two-year term effective July 1, 2014.

Annette Brancati, RN, CPAN was elected to her second term as Secretary/Treasurer for the ABPANC Board of Directors. She has the responsibility for maintaining all records required by the bylaws of the ABPANC Corporation and to serve as chairman of the Finance Committee, and review monthly financial reports and monitor operating expenses.

Angela Henry was elected to her first term on the ABPANC Board. She is a staff nurse in the Post Anesthesia Care Unit at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia, PA. Henry received a scholarship for the 2014 Nurse in Washington Internship (NIWI) for advocacy of nursing and healthcare concerns at the government level.

Celeste Jones was elected to her first term on the ABPANC Board. She is Assistant Nurse Manager at MD Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, TX. Jones has previously served as a member of the ABPANC Examination Construction Committees.

Cidalia Vital was elected to her first term on the ABPANC Board. She is a Perianesthesia Nurse Educator at Baystate Medical Center in Springfield, MA. Vital has published more than a dozen clinical articles, and is a nationally recognized speaker.



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Vasso (“Vicki”) Yfantis was elected to her first term on the ABPANC Board. She is a Nurse Practitioner at Shady Grove Adventist Hospital in Rockville, MD. Yfantis is a member of the Nurse Practitioners’ Association of DC, American Association of Critical Care Nursing, ASPAN, and serves on the ABPANC Item Writing Review Committee.

ABPANC Board members are elected to help guide the organization’s programs to achieve its vision of “Recognizing and respecting the unequalled excellence in the mark of the CPAN® and CAPA® credential, such that perianesthesia nurses will seek it, managers will require it, employers will support it, and the public will demand it.” As members of the Board, each will represent ABPANC by effectively communicating its positions and policies to perianesthesia nurses, nurse managers, CNO’s, hospital administrators and patients.

Individuals elected to the ABPANC Board of Directors demonstrate the following qualities:

- Integrity
- Conceptual Thinking
- Impact and Influence
- Initiative
- Organizational Commitment
- Teamwork and Cooperation
- Customer Service Orientation
- Excellent Verbal, Written and Interpersonal Skills

### **About ABPANC**

The American Board of Perianesthesia Nursing Certification, Inc., (ABPANC) is a not-for-profit corporation established in 1985 for the purpose of sponsoring certification programs for qualified registered nurses caring for patients who have experienced sedation, analgesia, and anesthesia. ABPANC sponsors the Certified Post Anesthesia Nurse (CPAN®) and the Certified Ambulatory Perianesthesia Nurse (CAPA®) certification programs. Nearly 12,000 perianesthesia nurses hold one or both of these credentials.

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