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## News Release

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### **ABPANC Announces the Pending Retirement of its CEO**

January 31, 2017 – The American Board of Perianesthesia Nursing Certification, Inc. (ABPANC) has announced that Bonnie Niebuhr, MS, RN, CAE will be retiring effective December 31, 2017. Niebuhr has served as its Chief Executive since joining ABPANC in 1995. “While it has been a difficult decision to leave ABPANC after dedicating 22 years of service, I am looking forward to joining my husband in retirement and enjoying the next chapter of my life,” says Niebuhr. “I am very proud of the work our staff and volunteers have accomplished and it has been a privilege and honor to serve this great organization.”

The ABPANC Board of Directors have formed an executive search committee and will spend the next several months to find a suitable replacement. The successful candidate will continue the organization’s long-term strategic plan for providing the perianesthesia nursing community with the CPAN® and CAPA® certification credentials and the many programs to support the certification journey. An advertisement for the position will be disseminated shortly.

#### **About ABPANC**

The American Board of Perianesthesia Nursing Certification, Inc., (ABPANC) was 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. More than 12,000 perianesthesia nurses hold one or both of these credentials.

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