

February 2026

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UPCOMING EVENTS

February 26, 2026:

Please vote in the WOCN National election

February 21, 2026:

WebWoc ConneX Education Day www.event.webwocconnex.com

April 15, 2026:

Award and Scholarship Submissions are due

May 31-June 2, 2026:

WOCNext Conference Indianapolis, IN

July 15, 2026:

Nominations for 2026 Election are due

September 23, 2027 Mideast Chapter Conference:

Noblesville, Indiana at the Embassy Suites September 23-25, 2027.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

PRESIDENT ELECT UPDATE

Welcome to 2026. As you can see from the board updates we have an exciting year planned. Don't forget to check out the Mideast Chapter Community page on the WOCN Society website and to check out our new YouTube page.

<https://www.youtube.com/@mideastchapterofthewocn>.

You can view previous Partners in Practice presentations. We are still under construction but will continue to grow and offer Mideast Chapter information for our members.

Tracy Swift

DIRECTOR #1 UPDATE



Thank you to all who attended our last **Partners in Practice** event with Dot Weir on January 12th! We had a great turnout and learned a lot from Dot and each other.

Join us on **March 23rd, 2026 at 7pm!** Michele Kessie, BSN, RN, CWOCN and MEC Director #1 will be presenting "**Writing a Letter of Medical Necessity**".

- Join Meeting here: <https://meet.google.com/ero-mbuw-owu>
- Add to Calendar here: <https://calendar.app.google/qvdh5UTg35fR7aWb7>
- Have an idea for a Partners in Practice topic? Email me: Mideastregionwocn@gmail.com

Don't forget to add us on Social Media!

Betsy Kulling



DIRECTOR #2 UPDATE

Please take time to nominate yourself or your peers for any number of our awards and scholarships!



<https://www.wocn.org/chapters/mideast-chapter-awards/>
<https://www.wocn.org/chapters/mideast-chapter-scholarships/>

Michele Kessie

DIRECTOR #3 UPDATE

WOCNext 2026 registration is opening soon. Please look at your email for registration updates.



Planning is underway for the MEC 2027 Conference in Noblesville. If interested in helping with the planning, please contact any board member.

Lisa Berning

DIRECTOR #4 UPDATE

Elections

Elections are open and we need you!

Current open positions: Secretary, Treasurer, Director #2, Director #4.

Secretary - Keep the minutes of all chapter meetings, Keep a register of all members of this chapter, and conduct the correspondence of the chapter.

The Treasurer - Responsible for all funds and assets of the MEC, responsible for submitting financial reports.

Director #2 – Responsible for the activities of the following committees: MEC Awards, Scholarships, and Research

Director #4 – Responsible for the activities of the following committees: Nominations and elections, Government Affairs & Public Policy, Assume the duties of Parliamentarian

If you are interested in running for any of these positions, please contact any of the board members.

We also have open chair and committee member positions available. We would love to have you come and be on the board.

Public Policy: Go to the WOC Society website for information and updates.

Ashley Begarly