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Kenya D. Haney Elected 2009-2010 NSNA President



Brooklyn, NY. April 24, 2009. Kenya D. Haney was elected as the 2009-10 President of the National Student Nurses' Association (NSNA) during the 57th Annual Convention in Nashville, TN, April 15-19, 2009. Mrs. Haney is a junior pursuing a BSN at the University of Missouri in Saint Louis, MO, and brings leadership experience and an enthusiastic, upbeat attitude to her new position.

She was elected to the 2008-09 Board of Directors as the Breakthrough to Nursing[®] Director and served on the Image of Nursing and Convention and Program Planning Committees in addition to chairing the Breakthrough to Nursing[®] Committee. As Breakthrough to Nursing[®] Chair, she attended annual conventions for the Missouri Nursing Students Association (MONSA) and the Michigan Nursing Student Association (MNSA). In February 2009 she attended the Office of Minority Health (OMH), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Third National Leadership Summit on Eliminating Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Health. Mrs. Haney also served on the 2006-07 Nominating and Elections Committee as the Northern Election Area Representative.

Growing up in a family of nurses, including an aunt whose presence during her upbringing induced a strong respect for nursing, Ms. Haney knew from a young age that she wanted to be a nurse who could advocate on behalf of her patients. “By watching my aunt’s passion for nursing and helping care for her, I knew that I would always become a nurse,” she says. Mrs. Haney is a mother of two and lives in Saint Louis, MO with her husband, Rico Haney.

Prior to her positions on the national level, Mrs. Haney was involved in leadership roles on the state and local levels, holding the position of Treasurer for the Saint Louis Community College Student Nurses Association and the Saint Louis Area District Officer for the Missouri Student Nurses Association. “I feel it is important for me to be involved in leadership because I am committed to the members of NSNA,” she says. “During my term as NSNA President I hope to be a positive role model for all student nurses.”

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NSNA is a membership organization representing 50,000 students in Associate Degree, Diploma, Baccalaureate, generic Masters and generic Doctoral programs preparing students for Registered Nurse licensure, as well as RNs in BSN completion programs.