



PEDIATRIC NURSING CERTIFICATION BOARD

Pediatric Nursing Certification Board Names New Chief Executive Officer

Experienced Executive Leader in National Health Care Organizations to Guide PNCB

ROCKVILLE, MD (August 3, 2020) – The Pediatric Nursing Certification Board (PNCB) has announced today that **Sheri Sesay-Tuffour, PhD, CAE** will become its new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) effective September 14, 2020. Former CEO Margaret “Peg” Harrison, MSN, CPNP-PC, CAE retired in June 2020 after a planned leadership transition. PNCB’s Chief Operating Officer, Kathleen Hurley, serves as the Interim CEO.

Sesay-Tuffour comes to PNCB with more than 20 years of experience in the nonprofit sector, of which 15 were spent leading nursing, medical, and scientific-based organizations. She served as the CEO of the American College of Nurse-Midwives, the Executive Director for the International Board of Heart Rhythm Examiners, and Vice-President of Operations for the Heart Rhythm Society. In addition, she has held several roles in education, international relations, and credentialing.

A results-oriented leader, Sesay-Tuffour is known for her strategic foresight, operationalizing complex business portfolios, maximizing human and financial resources to strengthen services, and developing high performing teams. She is a champion for diversity and a passionate supporter for accessible and equitable care to support the well-being of women, individuals, and families.

“The PNCB Board of Directors is excited that Sheri will guide our respected portfolio of certification exam and continuing education programs into the future,” said PNCB Chair Natalie Van Waning, BSN, MSN, ARNP, CPNP. “Sheri brings a wealth of executive experience to build upon PNCB’s past growth and chart the course for success in the years to come.”

“I’m thrilled about the opportunity to support a distinguished organization committed to lifelong learning and the promotion of high standards of care for children and adolescents,” said Sesay-Tuffour. “I look forward to leading PNCB into its next chapter of success.”

Sesay-Tuffour received her PhD from the Chicago School of Professional Psychology in organizational leadership. She holds the Certified Association Executive designation; is a lifetime inductee of Yale University’s Edward Bouchet Graduate Honor Society; and has membership affiliations with several professional societies. Beyond her professional acumen, Sheri remains highly engaged in volunteer service and community affairs. She is a newly elected at-large board member of the American Society of Association Executives, remains actively involved in her local alma mater chapter, and served as a voluntary grant reviewer and evaluator of IRS-registered programs for the government of the District of Columbia’s Mayor’s Office. Sesay-Tuffour and her family live in Maryland.

Based near Washington DC, the Pediatric Nursing Certification Board is the leading certification organization for pediatric nurses and nurse practitioners, currently certifying more than 50,000 nursing professionals. PNCB serves as the leading voice for credentialing in pediatric nursing and for pediatric health policy discussions throughout the country through its support of the Institute of Pediatric Nursing (IPN). For more information about the PNCB and the IPN, please visit our websites at www.pncb.org and www.ipedsnursing.org.

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