

# CTSGNA Fall Elections 2017

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The following positions have been slated by the Nomination and Elections Committee:

President Elect: Joanne Struble

Secretary: Rose Leitner Byrnes

Directors: Mary Jason

Meg Ramsay

Elections will run from Oct 20 th to Nov 2 nd

Results will be reported at Nov 16 dinner meeting

CTSGNA Members will receive an electronic ballot via their email.  
Your vote is important please VOTE

Applicant's applications will be posted on CTSGNA website for review. If you are a member and do not receive a ballot contact Kathy Vinci

Sincerely,

Nominations and Elections Committee

Linda Hyman

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Kathy Vinci CTSGNA, Nominations and Elections Chair

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CTSGNA Leadership Position Application

Name and Credentials	Joanne Struble MSHA, BSN, RN, CGRN
Years in GI Nursing	7
Position Desired	President-Elect
Contact Information	Joanne.struble@hhchealth.org , <a href="mailto:jmstrube@snet.net">jmstrube@snet.net</a> , 203-537-5225

**Education:** BSN from SCSU and MSHA from UNH

**SGNA National/Regional Involvement:** past- BTS education committee member  
present- flyer chair; Board member

**Presentations/Publications/ GI Related Projects:** Presenter at BTS 2016

Please answer these questions:

**What do you feel are your strengths in running for this position?** I have been an active member of CTSGNA for 7 years, serving on the BTS committee for 4 years. I hold a master's degree in administration and am certified in GI nursing.

**What are your goals moving forward?** I would like to continue to be active in CTSGNA and serve in a leadership position.

**What are your strengths and weaknesses as a leader? Provide an example of a leadership role you participated in, such as an event, activity or project.**

I am a leader in my work role. In addition to having been a charge nurse, I now serve as team leader of my department. I supervise employees and problem solve on a daily basis.

In order to enhance the skills/education of others, I presented at BTS and have been a preceptor for new employees.

My strengths include attention to detail, focus, approachability, and fairness. My weakness is that it may take me a little time to get things done because I am focused on the detail in order to make sure I do a good job. I do however, make the deadlines I am given.

CTSGNA Leadership Position Application

Name and Credentials	Rose Leitner-Byrnes BSN, RN
Years in GI Nursing	3
Position Desired	Secretary
Contact Information	<a href="mailto:rbyrnesrn@yahoo.com">rbyrnesrn@yahoo.com</a>

Education: BSN,

SGNA National/Regional Involvement: none

This will be my first position of involvement. I participate in CEU's and CT meetings currently.

Presentations/Publications/ GI Related Projects: none

Please answer these questions:

What do you feel are your strengths in running for this position?

I have the desire to be involved. Desire to help the CT SGNA.

What are your goals moving forward? Desire to continue to learn within this field.

What are your strengths and weaknesses as a leader? Provide an example of a leadership role you participated in, such as an event, activity or project.

I am organized and dedicated. I have operated as a Clinical leader in Ambulatory surgery. Within that role I was able to facilitate a free standing ambulatory center obtaining state licensure; within AAAASF, State and AORN regulations.

I sometimes take on too much or more than is necessary but I am able to complete tasks in a timely manner.

#### CTSGNA Leadership Position Application

Name and Credentials	Mary Jason, MBA, MSN, RN
Years in GI Nursing	2
Position Desired	Director
Contact Information	<a href="mailto:Maryjason22@gmail.com">Maryjason22@gmail.com</a> , 860-302-4900

Education: AS in Nursing, BS in Nursing, MS in Nursing Administration, MBA in Leadership

SGNA National/Regional Involvement: Appointed to the Board in 2017, Served as Education Chair, Beyond the Scope Committee, Attended National SGNA Conference in 2016 & 2017, Served as Leader for Takeda's Field Medical Team at SGNA Conferences, Met with National SGNA Leadership in 2016 & 2017, Previously worked with Michelle Day, current SGNA National President, Also a member of CNY/VT/New England SGNA Chapters.

Presentations/Publications/ GI Related Projects: Currently work full-time as an IBD Educator for the US Medical Office for Takeda

Please answer these questions:

What do you feel are your strengths in running for this position? I feel that I am already actively involved with the CT SGNA and would like to continue to support the organization. I am well networked both locally and nationally and I feel that would be a benefit in serving in this role.

What are your goals moving forward? Professionally I hope to continue to grow within the US Medical Office for Takeda. I enjoy education and leadership and hope to continue to develop in those areas. I am also seeking to potentially start teaching part-time to continue to grow as an educator.

What are your strengths and weaknesses as a leader? Provide an example of a leadership role you participated in, such as an event, activity or project. As a leader, I feel my strengths are that I am well organized and try to always lead by example. I do my best to always follow through and give 110% all of the time. I continue to work on my clinical abilities within GI, as I am relatively new to the specialty. I am always looking to learn and attend many conferences to increase my knowledge base. I have been a business officer for the Farmington Fire Department for nearly 10 years. I enjoy this leadership role and have used my skills to Chair several fundraisers and committees.

CTSGNA Leadership Position Application

Name and Credentials	Meg Ramsay RN CGRN
Years in GI Nursing	17 years
Position Desired	Director
Contact Information	megransay@sbcglobal.net

Education: RN, CGRN

SGNA National/Regional Involvement: Annually attends the National SGNA Course and the CTSGNA “Beyond the Scope” course. Additionally, I attend annually the New York Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy Course which includes the Doris C. Barnie GI Nurses Course. I have been a committee member for BTS one year on the raffle committee.

Presentations/Publications/ GI Related Projects:

I participate in the CCFA walk for research.

I have organized and developed the work flow and process for the WATS Research Study for both the Glastonbury and CTGI/Bloomfield Endoscopy Centers. (WATS - Wide Area Transepithelial Sample) This is a brush biopsy that obtains a wide area tissue sample.

Participates and organizes the annual Staff Education Day for two Endoscopy Centers.

Runs Staff Development Meetings monthly for two centers.

Please answer these questions:

What do you feel are your strengths in running for this position?

I am a board certified RN who oversees daily clinical operations as Director of Nursing for two busy ambulatory endoscopy centers. Both facilities continue to receive exemplary survey results from the CT DPH and repeatedly earn AAAHC Accreditation. For two sites I serve as the Infection Control Nurse and oversee all aspects of Endoscope Reprocessing. I serve on the Board of Directors and serve as the leader on the following Committees:

- Infection Control
- Anesthesia
- Pharmacy
- Risk Management
- Peer Review
- QA/QI
- Pathology

What are your goals moving forward?

- My goals moving forward are to increase my participation in CTSGNA.
- Continue to expand my role as Director of Nursing for CTGI Endoscopy Centers.

What are your strengths and weaknesses as a leader? Provide an example of a leadership role you participated in, such as an event, activity or project.

- I am a confident decision maker who demonstrates sound independent judgment to ensure high quality patient care. Employs a “lead by example” management style that fosters personal accountability and offers a positive work environment that is supportive of quality patient care.
- I am currently working to improve and strengthen my QA/QI program.