**Faith Community Nurses International**

**Research Committee Charter**

**Purpose**

The FCNI Research Committee is responsible for supporting FCNI by promoting, supporting, conducting, and reporting faith community nursing research. The strategic focus on research is intended to improve the quality of the FCN practice and inform the profession.

**Scope**

1. Promotes Faith Community Nursing research.
2. Provides support related to the development, implementation, evaluation, and practice transition of scholarly work in Faith Community Nursing.
3. Establishes a Faith Community Nursing research network that can provide guidance and expertise to its members.
4. Develops strategies to increase the awareness, application, and advancement of Faith Community Nursing scholarly work.

**Membership**:

FCNI members.

The Chair of the Committee will hold a terminal research degree.

Members are those who are interested in research, may have conducted nursing research and/or may hold a terminal research degree. .

Chair of the Practice Committee will be a member of the Research Committee and vice versa.

Chair of the Education Committee shall be a member.

**Leadership**: Shall be a Director appointed by the Board

**Meeting Frequency:**  10 times a year, usually monthly

**Goals:** Established annually in alignment with FCNI strategic plan:

1. Facilitate the annual ***FCNI*** ***Research Pre-conference*** in partnership with *Westberg Institute* including developing the agenda, securing speakers, and offering CNEs.
2. Perform research when it is appropriate to do so and share results.
3. Host regular meetings to discuss Faith Community Nursing research and encourage the translation of research into practice.
4. Maintain an on-going list of Faith Community Nursing scholarly work citations.

References:

American Nurses Association & Health Ministries Association, Inc (2017). *Faith community nursing: Scope and standards of practice*, 3rd Edition. Silver Spring, MD:

nurseBooks.org.

| **Goals** | **Deliverable(s)** | **Milestone(s)** |
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| 1. Develop the agenda and facilitate the annual ***FCNI*** ***Research Pre-conference*** in partnership with *Westberg Institute*. 2. Perform research when it is appropriate to do so and share results. 3. Host regular meetings to discuss faith community nursing research and encourage the transition into practice. | 1. ***FCNI*** ***Research Pre-conference*** 2. Scholarly work published every 18-24 months 3. 10 meetings per year with agenda | 1. Agenda completion by November  2.  3. |