

# Articles of Association

## **Article I: Name**

The name of this association is The National Association of Catholic Nurses, USA

## **Article II: Location**

This Association operates out of the Diocese of Joliet, Illinois by permission of the local Ordinary. The official mailing address of the Association is: P. O. Box 3016, Lisle, Illinois, 60532-3016. However this may be changed at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

## **Article III: Purpose**

The purpose of this Association is to foster spiritual growth, to promote Catholic values, and to clarify nursing ethics through educational and spiritual programs for Catholic nurses and student nurses within the United States and its territories.

## **Article IV: Control and Management**

The powers and duties of this Association shall be vested in and exercised by a Board of Directors as provided for in the Bylaws of this Association.

## **Article V: Members**

The membership of this Association shall be vested in and exercised by a Board of Directors as provided for in the Bylaws of this Association.

## **Article VI: Affiliation**

This Association is a full voting member of Comite International Catholique Des Infirmieres et Assistantes Medico-Sociales/International Catholic Committee of Nurses and Medico-Social Assistants (C. I. C. I. A. M. S.). The National Association Catholic Nurses, USA is a full voting member of CICIAMS.

## **Article VII: Association Status**

This Association is a not-for profit organization.

## **Article VIII: Duration**

The existence of this Association shall be perpetual.

## **Article IX: Bylaws**

This Association will adopt bylaws, and may adopt rules and regulations for the governance of this Association, and may alter, amend and abrogate the same, provided that said Bylaws, rules and regulations conform to the laws and teachings of the Catholic Church and will comply with U. S. laws regarding Associations.

## **Article X: Amendment**

Changes to the Articles of Association and By-laws must be submitted in writing to the By-laws Committee within 9 months of the biennial convention. After review, the Chair of the By-laws Committee will forward the proposed amendment(s) to the President and Board of Directors. The membership shall be notified of the proposed amendment(s) and voting will take place at the biennial convention.

## **Article XI: Dissolution**

In the event of dissolution, the assets remaining after payment of all just debts and costs shall be paid to a Catholic charity determined by the Board of Directors.