

NNECOS Member of the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors provides leadership and strategic oversight to support NNECOS's work. The Board acts in partnership with the Executive Director who is responsible for day-to-day operations. Collectively, its primary function is governance, the ongoing process of due diligence to assure the organization's health and effectiveness.

Each Board member is individually responsible for the following functions

- Protect and steward the mission and purpose of the organization
- Serve as a trusted advisor to the Executive Director and contribute to their annual performance evaluation
- Create and support the policies – including the strategic plan - that guide the whole organization
- Oversee finances to ensure money is used judiciously, invested and safeguarded appropriately
- Participate actively in Board meetings (attend 75% of Board meetings)
- Where feasible, attend the NNECOS educational meetings
- Serve as an advocate and ambassador to enhance NNECOS's public image
- Assist in identifying, recruiting, and on-boarding new Board Members
- Serve on at least 1 committee or task forces and taking on special assignments
- Annually participate in at least 3 activities designated as corporate member benefits (i.e., platinum dinners/happy hours/roundtables)

Each Board member is expected to act in accordance with all NNECOS policies and ethical standards

- Follow the organization's bylaws, policies, and board resolutions
- Have an understanding of NNECOS programs and financial statements
- Sign and abide by an annual conflict-of-interest disclosure
- Maintain confidentiality about all internal matters

Board Membership

Being a member of the Board of NNECOS is an extraordinary opportunity to help shape the operations and future direction of the organization. Board terms and qualifications are intended to maintain the Board's expertise and business continuity as well as cultivate future leaders.

Eligibility

To be eligible to serve as a member of the NNECOS Board of Directors, nominees shall have:

- Been an active member in good standing for at least two membership years
- Attended a minimum of one NNECOS meeting (spring or annual)

- Clinical practice experience (*due to the nature of the role, serving as a representative of practicing physicians from across the Northern New England states*)
- Prior service on a NNECOS workgroup, committee or other activity, as a path to board service

Terms:

- NNECOS Board Members will serve a three-year term and may then be eligible for re-election for one additional term.
- After serving two consecutive terms, the Board member will be required to take a hiatus of at least two years prior to eligibility for re-nomination for board service.
- During the hiatus period, these former Board members are encouraged to continue participation in NNECOS committees and may be offered appointment to the Honorary Council.