

Michelle L. Griffin, BSN, RN, CNOR



NOMINATING COMMITTEE (THREE TO BE ELECTED)

Michelle L. Griffin, BSN, RN, CNOR, is a staff RN at Nashville VA Medical Center, Vanderbilt University Medical Center, Nashville, Tennessee. She earned an associate of applied science in nursing from Tennessee State University, Nashville; a BA in pre-medicine/biology from Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee; and a BSN from Western Governors University, Salt Lake City, Utah. She is currently pursuing an MSN from Western Governors University.

Griffin has been a perioperative nurse for 16 years and a member of AORN for 13 years. She is a member of

- AORN of Middle Tennessee (2016-present)

Griffin has attended AORN Global Surgical Conference & Expo five times in the past 10 years, each time as a delegate.

Griffin has received

- AORN of Middle Tennessee Perioperative Nurse of the Year (2024)

Highlights of Griffin's service to AORN include that she has been

- president of AORN of Middle Tennessee (2023-2024)
- a member of the AORN of Middle Tennessee Nominating Committee (2016-2018)
- a member of the AORN of Middle Tennessee Board of Directors (2018-2020, 2024-2025)
- ambassador, AORN Global Surgical Conference & Expo, Nashville (2024)

In other leadership roles, Griffin is

- a member of the National Society of Leadership and Success (2025-present)
- a member of Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society (2023-present)
- a member of the National Black Nurses Association (2022-present)
- a member of Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc (2016-present)

She has been

- historian, Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc (2016-2019)

In her community, Griffin is

- a faith community nurse, Friendship M. B. Church (2022-present)
- a volunteer coordinator, One Generation Away (2024-present)

- a volunteer for the American Cancer Society/Making Strides BreastCancer Walk (2016-present)
- a volunteer for St. Jude (2016-present)
- a volunteer for the March of Dimes (2016-present)

ELECTION STATEMENT

Nurses are the heartbeat of health care, and as nurses, we play an essential role in ensuring the safety and optimal, quality care of our patients. Being a part of AORN, we are also indispensable in our abilities to work together to solve problems, share information, utilize our skills and resources, and make a positive impact in the world of health care. I am profoundly delighted to be a candidate for the Nominating Committee, and I am eager to work diligently with unwavering commitment to service for this esteemed organization. My passion aligns with the mission, values, and vision of AORN, enabling us to collectively move forward in an engaging, bold, and supportive future. As a member of the Nominating Committee, I will ensure that our nominations promote excellence and share our dedication to leadership, advocacy, values, and integrity. I will accept this role wholeheartedly, with boldness, respect, and, above all, in the best interest of our organization. A vote for me is a vote for an enthusiastic leader who strives for excellence, inspires others, fosters collaboration, empowers individuals, and drives innovation. I am immensely honored by this opportunity and humbly solicit your support. Vote for a powerful and progressive future that values our patients, ourselves, and our organization...vote for unity and advocacy...vote for integrity and vision. Vote for Michelle Griffin, your 2025–2026 candidate for AORN National Nominating Committee, and let us all shine as we light the pathway for success!