

PNAM President's Message

I am honored to accept the responsibility of leading this organization and as we turn a new page into PNAM's history, we stand at a powerful threshold – one that invites us to reflect on our legacy and one that reimagines our future as a nursing organization. As your 2026-2028 President, I embrace this role with purpose and determination that will be guided by my mantra **#PNAMFORWARD**. In the next two years, my team and I, together, will solidify PNAM as a nursing organization that is **Focused on Outcomes, Responsibility, Wellness, Advocacy, Respect, and Deep Sense of Belonging**. It took me and my co-pilot a while to come up with a mantra that reflects what this organization needs. The core principle that will define this administration is ***Strategic Doing***.

My leadership will be rooted in genuine purpose not self-promotion or personal agenda. Guided by the principles of Strategic Doing, we will focus on collaborative action. Unlike traditional strategic planning, which often results in static plans that may not be executed, Strategic Doing is action oriented. Plans alone do not produce outcomes or create impact. I will focus on achieving and demonstrating measurable outcomes. As nurses, I believe we are powerful catalyst for change, and through disciplined collaboration, we can co-design solutions that elevate our practice, expand access, and shape the policies that define the future of this organization. Together, we will move **#PNAMFORWARD** – transforming vision into meaningful impact, one strategic action at a time.

For many years, our mission has been carried by three steadfast pillars: **Vitality, Visibility, and Viability**. These pillars have guided our programs, strengthened our identity, and ensured that our work remains grounded in service and excellence. Today, as we look toward the future, we take an important and intentional step forward. Today, we welcome a fourth pillar into our mission framework — the pillar of **Visionary**.

I add Visionary not as an ornament, but as a necessity. Healthcare is evolving. Our communities are changing. The needs of our members are expanding. And the world is asking more of nurses than ever before. To meet this moment, we must not only respond — we must anticipate. We must not only adapt — we must lead. We must not only sustain — we must transform.

Visionary leadership calls us to imagine what PNAM can become in the years ahead. It challenges us to prepare the next generation of Filipino nurse leaders. It invites us to innovate, to build boldly, and to shape a future where our mission remains relevant, resilient, and far-reaching.

With this addition, our mission framework becomes whole:

- **Vitality** strengthens our people.
- **Visibility** amplifies our presence.
- **Viability** secures our foundation.
- **Visionary** charts our future.

Together, these four pillars form a complete and dynamic structure — one that honors our heritage while propelling us toward new horizons. As your incoming president, I pledge to lead with all four pillars at the heart of every decision, every initiative, and every partnership. I pledge to uphold the mission entrusted to us by those who came before, while preparing the path for those who will follow.

I recognize that every member of my team plays a vital role in advancing the goals I have set—goals that define the future of this organization. I understand that our individual contributions are not isolated efforts, but essential threads woven into a shared purpose. This is the truth captured so clearly by the African principle of **Ubuntu: *I am because we are***. When we embrace Ubuntu, our collective actions strengthen our shared identity and reinforce the foundation on which our organization continues to grow.

To our outgoing leaders, thank you for building the foundation on which we now stand. To our members, thank you for your trust, your passion, and your unwavering dedication. And to my fellow officers, thank you for walking this path with me as we enter this new chapter.

I will end my message with this Call to Action: Let us light the path forward – not only for ourselves but for the generations who will follow. Let us move #PNAMFORWARD with unity and purpose- because it is only together – in the spirit of Ubuntu – that PNAM remain viable, vital, visible, and now visionary.

Maraming salamat and Mabuhay ang PNAM!

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