

Kennedy University Hospital, (also referred to as Jefferson New Jersey)
Nurse Executive Council
Charter

Purpose

Provide leadership and executive oversight for organizational strategic and operational priorities supporting a culture of nursing excellence.

Accountability

The Nurse Executive Council reports all analyses and actions to the Coordinating Council on a scheduled basis. The Nurse Executive Council is accountable to ensure optimal patient outcomes through improvements in nursing operations, which are directly aligned with the mission to improve lives.

Goals

- Set the strategic direction for nursing.
- Disseminate appropriate data to facilitate problem-solving initiatives.
- Lead the development and implementation of hospital plan for provision of patient care by assisting with acquiring and allocating human, materials and financial resources.
- Plan, evaluate and revise nursing processes that result in the achievement of nurse-sensitive patient and family-centered outcomes.
- Support a shared governance professional practice environment in which nurses are autonomous, govern their practices and are accountable to provide safe, effective, efficient and compassionate quality care.
- Create an atmosphere of collegial relationships among nursing and other organizational employees.
- Promote innovation and new knowledge in the practice of nursing.
- Collaborate with other health care disciplines, regulatory bodies, community and professional organizations, both within and outside of organized nursing services.
- Ensure high quality care supported by the approval of evidence-based standards.
- Promote a nursing culture that enhances the patient experience through Relationship-Based Care.
- Review policies, protocols and standing orders as appropriate.

Membership (delineate chairpersons)

- Senior Vice President & Chief Nursing Officer

- Assistant Vice President of Surgical Services
- Assistant Vice President of Inpatient & Emergency Services
- Corporate Directors of Nursing
- Corporate Director, Patient Safety and Risk Management
- Corporate Director, Clinical Excellence
- Corporate Director, Clinical Education and Professional Development
- Corporate Director, Regulatory Readiness & Performance Improvement
- Nurse Directors for Behavioral Health & Maternal Child Health
- Director, Infection Prevention
- Administrator, Home Care
- Manager, Human Resources -Recruitment
- Manager, Clinical Informatics
- Chair of Nurse Leader Council
- Chair of Coordinating Council

Meeting Frequency

- 10 meetings per calendar year