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- Counsels senior Joint Commission leadership on present and evolving nursing- and patient care-related issues that are impacting health care quality and patient safety.

The group shares with senior leadership perspectives on Joint Commission initiatives and identifies ways in which the impacts of recent and planned future changes in the Joint Commission's standards, measures, and survey processes can be optimized relative to nursing and patient care across the care continuum. The NAC has two co-chairpersons—a nurse leader from the council and a designated Joint Commission senior officer, who is also a nurse. Currently, the NAC is co-chaired by Lillee Smith Gelinas, MSN, RN, CPPS, FAAN, Senior Fellow and Nurse Executive, SaferCare Texas, University of North Texas Health Science Center, and Editor-in-Chief, American Nurse Today, and Mark G. Pelletier, RN, MS, Chief Operating Officer, Accreditation and Certification Operations, and Chief Nurse Executive, The Joint Commission. The members are as follows:

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