Your Role as an Advocate

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As an Advocate, your role is to introduce Spiritual Care Nursing to nursing professionals, educators, healthcare leaders, and professional organizations and help connect interested individuals with the Westberg Institute for Nursing.

You are not expected to answer every question about Spiritual Care Nursing. **Your primary responsibility is to open doors and facilitate connections.**

Three Simple Steps

1. Share Information

Introduce Spiritual Care Nursing through professional conversations, meetings, emails, newsletters, or educational events. Use the approved materials provided in this toolkit.

2. Identify Opportunities

Look for individuals or organizations interested in:

- Advanced nursing education and professional development
- Whole-person nursing care and spiritual nursing competencies
- Introducing Spiritual Care Nursing into clinical healthcare settings
- Educational partnerships, presentations, or research
- The Certified Spiritual Care Nurse (CSCN) credential pathway

3. Connect Others with the Westberg Institute

When someone expresses interest:

- Ask permission to share their contact information with the Westberg Institute.
- Obtain their name, organization, professional role, email address, and area of interest.
- Email the information to the Westberg Institute, briefly describing the opportunity.
- Whenever possible, introduce both parties through a shared email, copying the Westberg Institute.

The Westberg Institute will follow up directly to provide information about educational programs, certification, presentations, partnerships, or organizational implementation.

Westberg Institute Contact Information

Westberg Institute for Nursing
A Division of the Spiritual Care Association
Contact: admin@westberginstitute.org | www.spiritualcareassociation.org

Keeping Us Informed

We encourage Advocates to share brief updates about their outreach efforts, including organizations contacted, presentations made, and individuals interested in learning more. Send updates to the Westberg Institute using the contact information above.

These updates will help the Westberg Institute identify opportunities, coordinate follow-up, and evaluate the national growth of the Spiritual Care Nursing Advocate Initiative.

Thank you for helping advance Spiritual Care Nursing and the Westberg Institute's commitment to whole-person nursing care.