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Jenny serves MSNO as the current President (2018-2020). Previously, she volunteered on the MA School Nurse Organization (MSNO) board as Regional Co-Chair and as “data co-champion” for the national uniform data collection project, formerly known as Step Up and Be Counted program, a joint initiative of the National Associations of School Nurses (NASN) and State School Nurse Consultants (NASSNC).

Jenny completed her Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) degree in May 2018 with a focus on increasing school nurse advocacy at the local level. Her scholarly project was [published](#) in the November issue online of the Journal of School Nursing. Jenny is a nationally certified school nurse.

Jenny has worked in the School Health specialty in Massachusetts since 2000, providing direct care as a per diem and elementary school nurse in two Massachusetts (MA) School districts, and as Director of Health, Nursing, and Safety at a pre-K-12 school in a third school district, managing the staff of school nurses and physical and health education teachers, as well as leading safety, wellness and the McKinney-Vento homeless efforts. Since 2015, Jenny has developed continuing education programs for school nurses within the Northeastern University School of Nursing School Health Academy. She also teaches leadership in the Master of Education program for school nurses at Cambridge College.

Earlier in her career, Jenny worked as a registered nurse with adults with acute and chronic cardiac and pulmonary diseases. Taking an “upstream” approach, Jenny shifted her focus to prevention and management of health conditions in children and adolescents in schools.

Although MA has been Jenny’s home for nearly 25 years, she grew up in the Midwest, and has lived on both U.S. coasts and internationally. Jenny is married to Tom, has two grown daughters, dog, cats, and chickens who lay delicious eggs. She loves hiking, reading, classical music (even opera), and travel.

Jenny enjoys the diversity of nurses who volunteer their time and talent with MSNO and encourages all MA school nurses to engage in this professional organization at any level possible, from joining as member of MSNO/NASN to lending voice and ideas on the MSNO Board.

2020 is the 50th anniversary of MSNO; it’s a great time to join in our efforts to support MA school nurses and quality school health services across the Commonwealth!