

**NNCASC HISTORY COMMITTEE
ORAL HISTORY PROJECT
Guidelines for Your Interview (2-14)**

Thank you for volunteering to be interviewed for the Navy Nurse Corps History Project. We want you to feel free to discuss whatever you decide is important. It is not necessary to answer all these questions. We are not looking for a summary of your entire career, but want to know the way it was/is at your particular time and place in history.

For the interview, you should choose a comfortable chair with natural light. Wear a colorful blouse or shirt. The interview should take approximately one hour plus 30 minutes set-up at the most.

To start we will ask you some biographical information about yourself to include:

- Date and place of birth.
- Date and place of basic nursing education and any further education and specialty/degree.

Next we will ask about your joining the Navy to include:

- What year did you join the Navy and how long did you stay both active duty and reserve?
- What drew you to military nursing and how long was this after your nursing education? Why did you choose the Navy versus the Army or Air Force?
- Describe the attitude about your joining the Navy and/or military from friends or family?

Next we will ask about your military experience to include:

- Describe the hardest, most challenging or most memorable experience.
- Describe the funniest or strangest experience you had. Are there any other events or experiences you'd like to mention?
- Describe any events that happened that you would consider important to the history of the Navy Nurse Corps, the military and/or the country.

Lastly, we will ask you about your life after your military experience to include:

- Describe what it was like to return to civilian life after being in the military. Did you have any adjustments to make and if so what?
- Did you continue to work in nursing in civilian life and how was it compared to the military?

Again, thank you for your service and volunteering to add your story to that of all the other wonderful nurses who have contributed so much to our country, the Navy and the Navy Nurse Corps.