



PNASD CRITERIA FOR NURSING EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Category I: Clinical Staff Nurse of the Year

- A. Nominee must be a current member of PNASD and in good standing.**
- B. Must be currently practicing in a clinical field of nursing for at least two (2) years, and currently licensed in the U.S. (R.N.)**
- C. Must have been recognized for significant contributions in nursing practice**
- D. Must provide evidence of being a team leader or committee member of your Hospital or Skilled Nursing Facility (*e.g. letter from Director or photocopy of certificate of committee participation*)**
- E. Must maintain current practice, either through formal or continuing education**
- F. Must participate in PNASD activities within the year of nomination.**

Category II: Nurse Administrator/Manager of the Year

- A. Nominee must be a current member of PNASD and in good standing.**
- B. Must have held the position of Administrator, Director, or Manager for at least two (2) years and currently licensed in the U.S. (R.N.)**
- C. Must have demonstrated innovative leadership practice in any healthcare setting (acute, ambulatory, community, long term facility, chronic).**
- D. Must have been recognized for significant contributions in management and leadership either by employment or with other professional organization and show evidence of such contribution (*e.g. Certificate of Recognition, awards*)**
- E. Team leader or committee member of your Hospital or Skilled Nursing Facility that aims toward change in practice (*show evidence of project completed or work in progress*)**

- F. Must maintain current practice, either through formal or continuing education.**
- G. Must participate in PNASD activities within the year of nomination**

Category III: Nurse Researcher of the Year

- A. Nominee must be a current member of PNASD *and in good standing*.**
- B. Must be currently practicing in a field of nursing preferably nursing research for at least a year and currently licensed in the U.S. (R.N.)**
- C. Must be a principal or co-investigator of a completed study or project in a health care setting. A copy of abstract required for every research study.**
- D. Must have assumed the role of a research coordinator in his/her practice**
- E. Must have been recognized for significant contributions in nursing research with your hospital or Skilled Nursing Facility or other professional organization within two (2) years.**
- F. Must maintain current practice either through formal or continuing education.**
- G. Must participate in any PNASD activities within the year of nomination**

Category IV: Nurse Educator of the Year

- A. Nominee must be a current member of PNASD and in good standing.**
- B. Must be a faculty in a School or College of Nursing, Clinical Nurse Educator, Staff Nurse Development Educator for at least two (2) years**
- C. Must have been recognized for significant contributions in nursing education and show evidence of such accomplishments (e.g. certificates, awards)**
- D. Must maintain current practice either through formal or continuing education.**
- E. Must participate in PNASD activities within the year of nomination**

Category V: Community Service

- A. Nominee must be a current member of PNASD and in good standing.**
- B. Must be currently practicing in a clinical field of nursing for at least two (2) years, and currently licensed in the U.S. (R.N.)**
- C. Must have done volunteer work or service with any well- established professional, civic, or community organizations. Indicate the name of**

organizations where work was established and provide evidence of volunteer work (e.g. certificates, awards, letters of recognition of volunteer service

- D. Must maintain current practice, either through formal or continuing education.**
- E. Must participate in any PNASD activities within year of nomination**

Category VI: Nurse Entrepreneur

- A. Nominee must be a current member of PNASD and in good standing.**
- B. Must be currently engaged in a health-related enterprise for at least one (1) year.**

Indicate name of company and place of operation.

- C. Must provide evidence of company brochure**
- D. Must have a significant contribution to the professional and personal growth, socio-economic wellbeing of the person(s) through employment opportunities.**
- E. Must maintain current practice either through formal or continuing education.**
- F. Must participate in PNASD activities within the year of nomination.**

Category VII: Advance Practice Nurse

- A. Nominee must be a current member of PNASD and in good standing.**
- B. Must be currently practicing in Advance Clinical field of nursing with the role of either as the Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA), Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS), Certified Nurse Practitioner (CNP), and Certified Nurse Midwives (CNM) for at least two (2) years and must show evidence of licensure as an Advanced Practice Nurse (APN)**
- C. Must have made significant contribution through development of innovative ideas and programs to improve patient care, nursing practice, health promotion and disease prevention within two (2) years.**
- D. Must have been recognized for meritorious contributions in the advanced practice nurse role, including, but not limited to, promoting and increasing health care access, providing primary care prevention either in practice or in health fairs, author in nursing or healthcare publications or journals, participating in research that has contributed to the Advanced Practice Nurse role in general. Must show evidence of contributions (e.g. certificates, awards, letters of recognition)**
- E. Must maintain current practice either through formal or continuing education.**
- F. Must participate in PNASD activities within the year of nomination.**

Category VIII: Nurse Informatics

- A. Nominee must be a current member of PNASD and in good standing.**
- B. Must be currently practicing in a field of nursing informatics for two (2) years and/or has served as nursing informatics leader of an outstanding healthcare organization, and currently licensed in the U.S. (R.N.)**
- C. Must have demonstrated knowledge of systems design to support clinical technology used by all healthcare provider**
- D. Must show significant contribution in managing the integration of nursing science, computer science and information science in the improvement of practice within the last two (2) years.**
- E. Must have been recognized for significant contributions in the field of nursing informatics within the last two (2) years and show evidence of such work.**
- F. Must maintain current practice either through formal or continuing education.**
- G. Must participate in any PNASD activities within the year of nomination.**

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