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NBNA Announces 2023 DAISY Awardees for 51st Annual Institute and Conference to be held on August 1-6, 2023

#NBNA51stConference

SILVER SPRING, MD, (July 27, 2023) The National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) is pleased to announce the 2023 NBNA Daisy Award recipients. The reception to honor the awardees will be held during the 51st Annual Institute and Conference NBNA Awards Ceremony in Atlanta, GA on Saturday, August 5, 2023, starting at 1:30 P.M. EST. The theme of this year’s conference is “NBNA Fifty Years and Beyond: Leading the way in Innovation, Built Environments, Advocacy, Mentorship, and Community Engagement.” More information about the conference is located at https://www.nbna.org/conf.

“The DAISY Award for Nurses Advancing Health Equity was created to honor nurses whose work advances health equity, mitigate health disparities, and addresses social determinants of health,” stated Dr. Martha A. Dawson, NBNA President. “Congratulations to the awardees who were selected based on their significant impact to patient care and/or the nursing profession, went above and beyond the call of duty, and has shown commitment to the communities they serve in a way that is significantly above the norm.” The DAISY Foundation is a non-profit organization, established in memory of J. Patrick Barnes, by members of his family. At the age of 33, he died of complications from Idiopathic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP). Diseases Attacking the Immune System is what “Daisy” stands for.

NBNA Daisy Health Equity Award for Frontline Registered Nurse

To recognize excellence of a Frontline Registered Staff Nurse who goes over and beyond to address health equity and work to mitigate one or more of the social determinants of health.

Jose Perpignan, Jr. BA, BS, RN
Registered Nurse
Highland Hospital
Rochester, New York
Greater New York City BNA

NBNA Daisy Health Equity Award for LPN / LVN Nurse

To recognize excellence of an LPN/LVN in clinical practice who goes over and beyond to address health equity and work to mitigate one or more of the social determinants of health.

Nicole Wallace, LPN
Solid Tumor Nurse Liaison
Atrium Health Main
Charlotte, North Carolina
Piedmont-Charlotte BNA
NBNA DAISY Health Equity Student Award

To recognize and encourage extraordinary and compassionate care by students in their clinical rotations and beyond to address health equity.

Lo-Ruchama Hilaire  
Nursing Assistant  
MSKCC  
Brooklyn, New York  
Greater New York City BNA

NBNA Daisy Health Equity Chapter President Leadership Award

To recognize excellent leadership by a chapter president who exemplifies extraordinary leadership to advance the mission and vision of NBNA by addressing health equity while meeting the needs of the community.

Tammy Woods, BSN, RN  
Heart Failure Navigator  
Novant Health, Inc.  
Charlotte, North Carolina  
Piedmont BNA - Charlotte

NBNA Daisy Health Equity for the NBNA Chapter (Team) Award

To recognize a chapter for their team efforts and activities that address health equity by going above and beyond caring for patients and family members who are from historically, medically, and underserved populations that bear the burden of health disparities.

Greater New York City BNA  
Brooklyn, NY

To read more information about the NBNA DAISY Health Equity Awards Program, [visit here](#).

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About the National Black Nurses Association

Founded in 1971, the National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) is a professional organization representing 308,000 African American registered nurses, licensed vocational/practical nurses, and nursing students in 108 chapters and 34 states. The NBNA mission is “to serve as the voice for Black nurses and diverse populations ensuring equal access to professional development, promoting educational opportunities and improving health.” NBNA chapters offer voluntary hours providing health education and screenings to community residents in collaboration with community-based partners, including faith-based organizations, civic, fraternal, hospitals, and schools of nursing. For more information, visit [nbna.org](http://nbna.org). Follow us on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#), and [Twitter](#)! #NBNA51stConference