

NBNA Award Criteria

Achievement Awards

Administrative Nurse of the Year

Purpose

To recognize excellence in clinical practice.

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Eligibility Criteria

Current full membership in NBNA

Current employment as an upper /middle manager or administrator. Must have been employed in current position at least two (2) years prior to nomination.

- Is employed by a health care institution or agency.
- Patient advocate.
- Mentor and role model for other nurses.
- Must be a registered nurse.
- Must not be a current board member.
- Must not have held a Board position 2 years prior to date of application.

Advanced Practice Nurse of the Year

Purpose

To recognize excellence in the clinical area at the advanced practice level.

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Eligibility Criteria

Current full membership in NBNA

Masters or doctoral prepared.

- Currently working in their clinical area of expertise.
- Is employed by a health care institution or agency.
- Promotes professionalism in nursing practice by serving as a;
- Facilitator of the healing process (utilizing the nursing process).
- Patient advocate.
- Mentor and role model for other nurses.
- Demonstrate quality of care within her/his practice setting.
- Must not be a current board member.
- Must not have held a Board position 2 years prior to date of application.

Nurse Educator of the Year

Purpose

To recognize outstanding contribution to professional and / or patient education

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Eligibility Criteria

- Current full member.
- Outstanding achievement in the education of professionals or patients.
- Current employment with responsibility for education.
- Evidence of sharing educational expertise through presentations at NBNA meetings or publications in journals.
- Must not be a current board member.
- Must not have held a Board position 2 years prior to date of application.

Nurse Entrepreneur of the Year

Purpose

To recognize a successful business owner.

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Eligibility Criteria

- Current full member.
- Successful business owner within the realm of health care.
- Promotes NBNA initiatives.
- Must not be a current board member.
- Must not have held a Board position 2 years prior to date of application.

Nurse of the Year for Community Service

Purpose

To recognize outstanding and exemplary community service.

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Eligibility Criteria

- Current full member.
- Several years of active participation at local, regional, and national levels.
- All nurses with license to practice (RN, LPN, LVN).
- Must not be a current board member.
- Must not have held a Board position 2 years prior to date of application.

Nurse Researcher of the Year

Purpose

To recognize a nurse researcher who has completed an outstanding research study and who has excellent potential to develop and implement a program of research that contributes to the well being and health care of minorities.

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Eligibility Criteria

Must be a masters or doctoral prepared nurse researcher.

Must have assumed primary responsibility for conceptualization, design, and conduct of the completed study.

- Completed study must have focused on psychological, physiologic, or methodological areas relevant to the care of minorities.
- Full member of NBNA.
- Must not be a current board member.
- Must not have held a Board position 2 years prior to date of application.

Staff Nurse of the Year

Purpose

To recognize excellence in clinical practice.

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Eligibility Criteria

Current full membership in NBNA

Current employment as a staff nurse, and been employed in a staff nurse capacity at least two (2) years prior to nomination. (Staff nurse is defined as one who is non-supervisory, non-managerial, and includes one of the following:

- Is employed by a health care institution or agency.
- Primary role is a provider of direct patient care.
- Promotes professionalism in nursing practice by serving as a;
- Facilitator of the healing process (utilizing the nursing process).
- Patient advocate.
- Mentor and role model for other nurses.
- Demonstrate quality of care within her/his practice setting.
- All nurses with license to practice (RN, LPN, LVN).
- Must not be a current board member.
- Must not have held a Board position 2 years prior to date of application.

Student Nurse of the Year

Purpose

To recognize a student nurse for his / her achievements.

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Eligibility Criteria

Current full member of NBNA.

Member of NBNA for a minimum of 2 years.

Must have 3.0 GPA.

Enrolled in an accredited SON and currently taking nursing courses.

Applicant must provide written documentation of career education goals to include:

- Name of institution
- Documentation of active participation in local chapter
- Active in community service and other extracurricular activities.
- Must not be a current board member.
- Must not have held a Board position 2 years prior to date of application.

Uniformed Services Nurse of the Year

Purpose

To recognize excellence in leadership within the Uniformed Services

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Eligibility Criteria

Current full membership in NBNA

Current active member in the Uniformed Services* (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, U.S. Public Health Service, or National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration)

- Must be a graduate of an accredited nursing program
- Patient advocate
- Mentor and role model for other Uniformed Services nurses
- Outstanding achievement in the Armed Forces i.e. Leadership accomplishments
- Must be a RN /LPN
- Must not be a current board member
- Must not have held a Board position 2 years prior to date of application
- Two letters of recommendations
- Uniformed Services Bio /CV
- Annual evaluations for the last 3 years

Kindly provide additional information, which might be helpful to the Awards Committee in its review of your application, i.e. copies of news releases, awards, certificates, publications, research activities, contributions to the Uniformed Services Community, etc.

*Uniformed Services of the United States consist of the 5 Armed Forces branches (Army, Air Force, Navy, Coast Guard, and Marines), U.S. Public Health Services (under Department of Health & Human Services), and National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (under the Department of Commerce).