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**PHILIPPINE NURSES ASSOCIATION OF NEW JERSEY**

**Nursing Excellence CARE Awards Guidelines**

 **Purpose:**

The Philippine Nurses Association of New Jersey (PNANJ)’s awards for excellence are based on the association’s work on fostering high nursing standards, recognizing extraordinary achievements, developing leadership, and supporting innovation, entrepreneurship, and community service.

**Categories:**

 **Awards are conferred to PNANJ members annually for excellence in the following categories:**

1. Acute Care Clinical Nurse Award of the Year
2. Post-Acute Care Clinical Nurse Award of the Year
3. Innovative Nurse Award of the Year
4. Nurse Researcher Award of the Year
5. Advance Practice Nurse Award of the Year
6. Administrator/Nurse Leader Award of the Year
7. Nurse Entrepreneur Award of the Year
8. Nurse Informatics Award of the Year
9. Nurse Educator Award of the Year
10. Community Service Nurse Award of the Year
11. Nurse Rookie Award of the Year

 **Eligibility Criteria:**

1. Nominees must be a current member of PNANJ in good standing and a member of an affiliate subchapter for at least two years (attach proof of current membership: signed letter or card).
2. Nominees must meet criteria for the categories for which they are being nominated.
3. Members of the Care Awards Committee are excluded from participating as a nominator or nominee.

**Nomination Process**

1. The nominator/nominee submit electronically (as an e-mail attachment) the nomination form and required documents to the chairperson of the Care Awards Committee at: pnanjexcellenceawards@gmail.com.
	1. Completed nomination form
	2. Nominee’s resume/ Curriculum Vitae
	3. Signed photo release consent
	4. Most recent photo (passport-size)

 **Procedure for Awardee Selection and Monitoring**

1. The Chair of the PNANJ CARE Awards Committee shall submit the committee’s decision and recommendations to the Executive Board for approval at least (3) weeks prior to the Annual PNANJ Nursing Excellence & Scholarship Awards Gala Night.
2. Submission deadline: July 15, 2023 (Saturday) @ 11:59 EST, no application will be accepted after the deadline
3. The Chair of the PNANJ CARE Awards Committee will notify the nominees of their nomination no later by August 12, 2023.
4. The winner will be announced during the awards ceremony on September 15, 2023.
5. Nominees are highly encouraged to attend this event in recognition of their accomplishments.

**For any questions, please contact Beth L. Campos**

 **Chairperson, CARE Awards Committee**

**at (908) 910-7664**