



2019 Clinical Nurse Specialist Researcher Award

The Tenth Annual NACNS Clinical Nurse Specialist Researcher of the Year Award will be presented during the 2019 Annual Conference in Orlando, FL.

The purpose of the award is to nationally recognize an NACNS member for outstanding professional achievement as a clinical nurse specialist (CNS) who has conducted original nursing research that has had a significant impact on the art and science of autonomous nursing practice, patient and family outcomes, and/or health care systems. The award acknowledges a nurse for an accomplished sustained program of research that has significantly contributed to advancing theory and practice of the nursing profession. The candidate's *body of research* will be considered, including conduct of research as a principal and co-investigator, funding, and dissemination of that research through a variety of mediums.

Please review the criteria and submit a completed application with corresponding rationale supporting candidates who you recommend for this award.

DEADLINE: November 19th, 2018

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. The candidate must be nominated by a nursing colleague.
2. Candidate meets their state of residence's requirements for CNS recognition by their state board of nursing.
3. The candidate must be a current member of NACNS.
4. The candidate must have been educated as a CNS in a masters or doctoral program.
5. If selected, the candidate must agree to attend the NACNS annual conference, provide a photo suitable for inclusion in the conference program brochure, and be prepared to present a summary of their research work.
6. The candidate will have made significant contributions to autonomous nursing practice through the conduct, and dissemination of their original research.
 - Sustained program of research has impacted nursing practice, patient/family outcomes, and/or the healthcare system.
 - A distinguished record of dissemination of research findings (publications and presentations).
 - Demonstration of research support with internal and/or external funding.
7. The candidate has a program of research that furthers the mission and vision of NACNS and supports the CNS role in the context of the NACNS Spheres of Influence.
 - Evidence of mentorship in research.
 - The researcher's program of research has been translated into practice and/or policy.

Award:

The NACNS Board of Directors is reviewing the award packages. Details on the specific award items provided to the winner will be identified in the letter to the winner. Despite this, expect to receive a plaque when the award will be presented at the NACNS annual conference and the winner will be featured in the newsletter sections of the CNS journal.

Selection:

Applications received by the deadline will undergo review by the selection committee appointed by the Board of Directors. The recipient will be notified by a phone call and written letter from the President of NACNS. All candidate information must be received at the NACNS office by **November 19th, 2018**. This deadline will be strictly adhered to in the selection process.

INSTRUCTIONS: Submit nomination packet electronically via the jot form found at www.nacns.org/about-us/awards/ to info@nacns.org or mail to NACNS, 11130 Sunrise Valley Drive, Suite 350, Reston, VA 20191

Nomination Packet includes:

- a. This document with the nominee and nominator information table filled in and nominee signed agreement to attend the annual conference if selected as the winner of the award;
 - b. One letter from the nominator;
 - c. One a letter of recommendation from a colleague;
 - d. A copy of the nominee’s current CV/resumé; and
 - e. A brief statement (300-word max) about the nominee and how they meet the criteria for the award – This will be used in press releases and when the award is presented at the conference (see item #3 below) if the nominee is selected
2. The nominator’s letter should:
 - a. Describe how the nominator knows the nominee (e.g., in what capacity/role, how long);
 - b. Provide information supporting the nomination relating to the specific criteria for the award. Be specific, not global. Give examples to illustrate (2pg max).
 3. The brief statement (300 words or less) is a separate document that provides a brief biography of the nominee and exemplar(s) of the nominee’s work. This statement will be used when presenting the award at the Annual Conference and will be used in press releases about the award winner.
 4. The letter of recommendation should be from a colleague, who can speak to the candidate’s CNS work in research, how the candidate’s work has been disseminated and translated into practice (2 pg max).
 5. All submissions must be typed copy.
 6. Selection is made based only on the information submitted.
 7. All information will remain strictly confidential and will not be returned.
 8. The winner will be notified by December 21st, 2018 and will be asked to submit a picture for recognition at the conference.

For further information, contact NACNS, Michelle Matz at mmatz@virtualinc.com, 11130 Sunrise Valley Drive, Suite 350, Reston, VA 20191; Telephone: (703) 436-0092, FAX: (703) 435-4390 or website: www.nacns.org

Award Name: _____

Information about Nominee	Information about Nominator
Nominee:	Nominated by:
Credentials:	Credentials:
Title:	Title:
Address (street, city, state, zip):	Address (street, city, state, zip):
Telephone (day):	Telephone (day):
Telephone (evening):	Telephone (evening):
e-mail:	e-mail:
Institution:	
Institution address (street, city, state, zip; suite or department code):	