

# 2019-2020 Nightingale Luminary Award Information



<https://www.coloradonursesfoundation.com/nominate/>

# *Tips on Writing a Nightingale Nomination*

Welcome to the annual Denver Regional Florence Nightingale Nomination process. The tips in this PowerPoint should assist you and your teams in writing successful nominations.

# Selecting the Right Category

- We suggest that the nominator and nominee select the category and area of recognition ***together***.
  - Collaboration with the nominee is KEY in getting important information!
- ***Individuals may be nominated in only one category***

# Nomination Categories

## 1. Clinical Practice

– *RN Must spend greater than 50% of the time in a clinical/patient care role*

## 2. Administrative, Educator, Researcher, and Non-Traditional Nursing Practice

– *Must spend greater than 50% of their time in a non-clinical role*

# Areas of Recognition

***\*\*Choose only 1\*\****

- ✓ **Leadership** is motivating others to work toward a common goal.
- ✓ **Innovation** is demonstrating creativity that addresses today's challenges/opportunities.
- ✓ **Advocacy** is advancing a cause or proposal.

# Leadership Recognition Questions

- What is the leadership role of the nominee? **150 words.**
- What issue was the leader addressing? **150 words**
- What was the specific leadership taken and what was the goal to be accomplished? **150 words**
- What was the outcome related to the goal? **150 words**
- How will the outcome be sustained? **150 words**
- How did this activity improve the quality of patient care and/or the health care environment? **150 words**
- Additional comments related to leadership—**200 words**

# Innovation Recognition

- What was the specific innovation created by the nominee?  
**150 words**
- What was the identified problem leading to the innovation?  
**150 words**
- How did the innovation address the issue? **150 words**
- What was the outcome of implementing the innovation?  
**150 words**
- How will the outcome be sustained? **150 words**
- How did this activity improve the quality of patient care and/or the health care environment? **150 words**
- Additional comments related to innovation—**200 words**

# Advocacy Recognition

- What person, group or community needed advocacy to address an issue? **150 words**
- What actions were taken by the nominee to advocate for the issue? **150 words**
- What was the outcome of the advocacy action? **150 words**
- How will the outcome be sustained? **150 words**
- How did this activity improve the quality of patient care and/or the health care environment? **150 words**
- Additional comments related to advocacy—**200 words**



# Generalized focus areas for ALL

- Detail how the nominee was specifically **involved in or leading** a project/event/program, the motivation behind it, creativity and originality, caring and compassion, a clear implementation process, multidisciplinary factors
- Do include **all data and details for outcomes** including the benefit to nursing: (***the more data the better***)– *cost savings, pt experience, improved nursing satisfaction, improved financial impact, quality outcomes, any new policies created, awards/publications/presentations/ or impact from research*
- Include nominee's **nursing practice expertise**, affiliations, national certifications, committees and projects (outside role), community service that escalates community awareness or image of nursing

# Nomination Writing Tips

# Tips for Writing a Nomination

- Engage with your nominee to obtain the pertinent information required for the nomination. **The following information must be present in the nomination:** *nursing degree information, years in nursing practice, previous professional employment in nursing, other relevant nursing experience, **role in community or volunteer work**, professional organizational membership, awards, and national board certification information.*
- It is a great idea to "interview" your nominee before you write the nomination.
- **Make sure to add degree information:** Diploma, ADN, BSN, MSN, PhD, ND etc
- *Write the nomination on a word document first by following the required questions under the tab "Application questions"* . Keep the word count to 150 words to each required section. Copy and paste into the nomination website.
- **Focus on the outcomes!** Relate the work to how the project or innovation *improved patient outcomes*, nursing clinical practice, or the nursing practice environment. Data driven outcomes is a huge asset!

# Important information about National Certifications

The following are **NOT** considered a national board certification:

➤ ACLS

➤ BLS

➤ TNCC

➤ PALS

➤ *These certifications are required for certain jobs and are not considered a “board certification”.*

***National Board Certifications are voluntary and do not require a class prior to taking the exam. These certifications are the “true gauge” of a nurses ability to provide excellent care as experts in their specialty.***

# Examples of National Board Certifications

Click here to see other examples of National Board Certifications:

<http://www.nursecredentialing.org/certification.aspx>

## Specialty Certifications

- Ambulatory Care Nursing
- Cardiac Rehabilitation Nursing
- Cardiac-Vascular Nursing
- Certified Vascular Nursing
- College Health Nursing
- Community Health Nursing
- Diabetes Management—Advanced
- Faith Community Nursing
- Forensic Nursing—Advanced
- General Nursing Practice
- Genetics Nursing—Advanced
- Gerontological Nursing
- Hemostasis Nursing
- Home Health Nursing
- Informatics Nursing
- Medical-Surgical Nursing
- Nurse Executive
- Nurse Executive—Advanced
- Nursing Case Management
- Nursing Professional Development
- Pain Management Nursing
- Pediatric Nursing
- Perinatal Nursing
- Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing
- Public Health Nursing—Advanced
- Rheumatology Nursing
- School Nursing

## Nurse Practitioner Certifications

[Acute Care NP](#)

[Adult Nurse NP](#)

[Adult-Gerontology Acute Care NP](#)

[Adult-Gerontology Primary Care NP](#)

[NP](#)

[Adult Psychiatric—Mental Health NP](#)

[NP](#)

[Family NP](#)

[Gerontological NP](#)

[Pediatric Primary Care NP](#)

[Psychiatric—Mental Health NP](#)

[School NP](#)

[Diabetes Management—](#)

[Advanced](#)

[Emergency NP](#)

# Letters of Support

- ✓ Please upload ***two and only two*** support letters from people who know the nominee (but are neither the nominator or the nominee)
- ✓ Both support letters should address how the nominee has advanced the profession of nursing or has positively impacted his/her community through advocacy, leadership or innovation.
- ✓ Nominators should share their draft of the nomination with the people that are writing support letters.
- ✓ **Each support letter should be kept to one typewritten page of not more than 500 words.**

# Deadlines

- Nomination site will open up in **October 19th, 2019**
- Nominations will be accepted through **January 10, 2020** \*No nominations will be accepted after this date, including support letters, nominee forms, etc. \*
- Denver-Metro event will be held on **March 7, 2020**
  - Renaissance Hotel in Stapleton