

The Professional Nurses Association of Western New York

The Professionals Nurses' Association of WNY promotes professional nursing and nurses in our area. Established in 1919, through the innovation and hard work of our Professional Nursing Association members, it continues to pay tribute to the critically important role RNs play in the health and welfare of our community.

Our Association continues to support and influence the practice of nursing through these activities:

- **Nursing Research Day in April** to support evidence-based practice and promote nursing research.
- **Deliver educational programs** to support the highest standards in clinical practices and improve care delivery.
- **Legislation committee** advocates issues that affect the professional nursing practice.
- **Annual awards dinner** each year in June celebrating the exceptional nurses in our community.



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Discover the power of membership

The Western New York Professional Nurses Association is open to all registered professional nurses who reside or work in Niagara, Orleans, Erie, Genesee, Wyoming, Chautauqua and Cattaraugus counties.

RSVP today on this membership form.



Last Name _____ First Name _____
 Address _____ Date of Birth _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ County _____
 Home/Cell () _____ Work () _____
 E-mail Address _____
 Employer _____

Please include your payment (check payable to: **Professional Nurses Assoc. of WNY**) and mail to:

Professional Nurses Association of WNY
 4511 Main St., Rear, Snyder, NY 14226
 716-839-4075

wnypna.org E-mail: **RN@wnypna.org**

DUES:
 Professional Nurses Association Full Membership RN: \$85/per year _____
 RETIRED RN: \$65/per year _____
 Associate Membership (Unlicensed Nursing Student) – SCHOOL \$15/per year _____

Please send me information on the following Group benefits:

Health Insurance at Reduced Rates (student associates ineligible)

Want to be more involved?

Check your Interest

- Awards
- By-Laws
- Finance
- Fundraising
- Legislation
- Membership
- Education
- Public Relations
- Research/Scholarly

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Eligibility

All registered professional nurses, who are members of the Professional Nurses Association of WNY, practicing at any level or scope of responsibility, who have been active with the nominating agency for the past two years. Nurses employed in any of the seven counties of WNY (Erie, Niagara, Genesee, Orleans, Wyoming, Chautauqua and Cattaraugus) served by the PNA of WNY, are eligible. If not a member of the Association, please use the form on the back, call 716-839-4075 or visit wnypna.org.

Criteria

NURSE OF DISTINCTION

Outstanding contributions to the nursing profession and to the field of nursing, specifically:

- Significant achievement within a particular area of nursing practice, including clinical practice, research or administration. (This award does not include the nursing education area.)
- Demonstrates leadership that inspires other nurses to improve. Provides mentorship to nurses.
- Acts as a role model.
- Participation in activities that foster a positive public image of nursing as a profession.

NURSE OF DISTINCTION IN EDUCATION

Outstanding contributions to the nursing profession and to the field of health care, specifically:

- Nominee must be within the primary practice role of nursing faculty or staff nurse educator.
- Demonstrates leadership that inspires other nurses to improve. Provides mentorship to nurses.
- Acts as a role model.
- Participation in activities that foster a positive public image of nursing as a profession.

Procedure

Each organization may submit one nominee for consideration. The nominating organization representative must submit a typewritten statement of no more than 500 words detailing why their nominee should be selected as Western New York's Nurse of Distinction. Details relating to each of the criteria as outlined above should be included. Additionally, the nominee must submit a typewritten statement of no more than 300 words explaining the most rewarding experience of their career and their most significant contribution made to the profession.

Recognition

The award recipients will be featured in the Professional Nurses Association section in The Buffalo News, receive an award plaque plus a \$500 award, and an additional, free one-year Professional Nurses Association membership. All nominees will be mentioned in the section.



2020 NURSE OF DISTINCTION AWARD ENTRY FORM

NOMINEE INFORMATION

_____ NURSE OF DISTINCTION

_____ NURSE OF DISTINCTION IN EDUCATION

Please use the criteria on the opposite page as a guideline for filling out this nomination form.

Nominating Agency _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Contact Person _____

Contact E-mail _____ Day Phone _____

Nominee _____

Nominee Title _____

Home Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Day Phone _____ Home Phone _____

Nominee E-mail: _____

Why should this employee be selected as the Western New York Professional Nurses Association Nurse of Distinction?
(In 500 total words or less, typed and attached.)

Please address all the following criteria specifically.

1. **Significant Achievement:** (Identify particular area of nursing, clinical practice, education, research or administration.)
2. **Demonstrated Leadership:** (Role model, inspiring other nurses to improve and assist other nurses in their development.)
3. **Participation in activities that foster a positive public image of nursing as a profession.**
4. **NOMINEE STATEMENT (to be filled out by the nominee, 300 words).** Attach additional pages.

Entries must be received by Feb. 7, 2020

Send to:

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4511 Main St., Rear, Snyder, NY 14226

You may also go to wnypna.org and visit the "Awards" tab to download a copy of this application.