



Clinical Nurse Specialist Award

Description

This award recognizes documented excellence as a clinical nurse specialist in the emergency care setting. The CNS is recognized by nursing and physician colleagues, and patients as an expert, in practice or education, who makes significant contributions to practice or to the professional development of others.

Requirements

- Nominee must be an ENA member.
- Nominee must have a minimum of three years of experience as a CNS.
- Nominator must be an ENA member.
- Nominee must be a master's or doctoral-prepared advanced practice nurse practicing as a Clinical Nurse Specialist in an emergency care setting, practicing in an academic setting that prepares the CNS to practice in emergency care and/or who performs research pertinent to the role and practice of the CNS in emergency care.
- Two narrative statements (each addressing 4 separate criteria listed below) written by two different individuals. One narrative must be written by the Nominator.
- CV / Resume summary of the Nominee (please see pages 2 and 3 in the [Achievement Award Handbook](#) for a list of specific information needed).

Narrative Statements / Criteria

Please do not include the name of the nominee.

- Each response must be limited to a maximum of 200 words.
 - Develop responses in a word processing program such as Microsoft Word, use the WORD COUNT checker to ensure your responses are limited to 200 words, as well as the spell-check option. Then copy and paste responses into the online nomination form.

Narrative statements should address each criterion listed below:

1. Provide specific example(s) of how the nominee demonstrates professional characteristics of an emergency nurse while collaborating with colleagues in the work setting.
2. Provide specific example(s) of how the nominee demonstrates a high level of skill and knowledge as a CNS and the methods the CNS uses to share this knowledge and expertise with others.
3. Provide specific example(s) of how the nominee exemplifies the role of the CNS by working to improve emergency care through direct care, education, research, or evidence-based practice.
4. Provide specific example(s) of advocacy efforts or programs, projects, and committees the nominee has actively engaged in that promote or demonstrate the role of the CNS in emergency care.

To access the application

- Login to your ena.org account <https://portal.ena.org/openprograms>
- Locate 2025 CLINICAL NURSE SPECIALIST AWARD.
- Click on "**View**" to begin the application process.

If you have any questions, contact AnnualAwards@ena.org