

June 1, 2010

Dear Director, or Nurse Manager,

The Arizona Emergency Nurses Association is pleased to announce a call for nominees for the Annual Outstanding Arizona Emergency Nurse of the Year. This is an opportunity to give recognition to innovators, leaders and those who continually go above and beyond the call of duty in the emergency nursing profession- demonstrating the highest standard of care.

The award will be presented at our Hot Topics Conference on November 5th at Scottsdale Healthcare - Shea Campus during the luncheon. All nurses nominated and the person(s) who nominated them are encouraged to attend. The winner will receive registration to ENA Leadership and airfare comparable to the Board Members fares, as well as a plaque to commemorate their accomplishments and commitment to Emergency Nursing.

All nominations **must** be received by **September 1, 2010**. Notification of receipt of nomination will be confirmed by email. Nominations will be reviewed by a committee selected by the AZ ENA State Board and a winner selected.

Nominations should be based on the criteria below and enclosed is a Nomination Form.

Nominees will have:

- Service or commitments beyond job expectations which have significantly advanced the practice of emergency nursing.
- An outstanding knowledge and expertise in emergency nursing practice and education. Examples include: Certified Emergency Nurse (CEN), Clinical Nurse Specialist, and Educator.
- Contributions that have affected the profession within the community or region. Examples include: Injury Prevention Instructor/Provider, advocate for legislation that enables nurses to provide enhanced care to their patients, and providing preventative education to targeted populations in the community (older adult, teenagers, school-aged children).
- Serves as a role model providing a positive professional influence, guidance and support to co-workers . Examples include: professionalism, participation in quality projects, participation in professional organizations, and patient advocacy.
- Educational expertise in emergency nursing or EMS who have made significant contributions in clinical education, professional development and/or development of nursing/EMS professionals in clinical practice
- An advocate who goes beyond the call of duty and demonstrates care and compassion towards patients and significant others. If able, share an example without violating patient/family confidentiality or share letters of support /thanks from patient/family.

We are looking forward to receiving your nomination. We feel confident that every Emergency Department in the state has at least one person, if not many, who fill the above description.

Nominate an exceptional nurse today!

NOMINATION FORM 2010

Nominations are open to co-workers, patients, administrators and organizations to nominate emergency nurses. Once the completed form has been received, AZENA will contact the nominee to congratulate them and obtain additional required information. Please refrain from using the nominee's name, gender or organization when answering why the individual deserves this award. Instead, use "the nominee" or "this person."

• **EVERY portion of this form MUST be filled out. Incomplete Nomination Forms will be DISQUALIFIED.**

• Email completed Nomination Forms to AZENA in care of Nancy Denke @ ndenke@cox.net or fax to 480-882-4276.

• **NOMINATE TODAY! NOMINATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER FRIDAY, September 3, 2010 AT 12:00PM**

Nominee Name: _____

Home/cell phone: _____

Work phone: _____

Email address: _____

Title: _____

Employer: _____

Mailing Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Your Name: _____

Title: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Mailing Address: _____

What is your affiliation with the nominee?
