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# Canadian Association for Nursing Research

## Guidelines for the Awards of Excellence in Research

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### 1.0 The Recognition Awards

The CANR has established four awards to recognize nurses for their outstanding contribution to nursing and the goals of CANR. *The CANR Nurse Researcher Award* is for an established nurse scientist who has contributed significantly to nursing research. *The CANR Outstanding New Investigator Award* is for an outstanding new researcher. *The CANR Award for the Promotion of Research Based Practice* is made to an individual or group who has provided leadership in the utilization of research in clinical nursing practice. *The CANR Practitioner-Researcher Award* is for a clinician or manager engaged in research in a clinical setting.

### 2.0 Nominations

1. The invitation for nominations will be published in the CANR listserv.
2. Nomination materials are to be submitted to the Chair, Awards Committee.
3. All materials must be submitted at least three months prior to the award date, i.e. at biennial national research conferences, or other high profile research conference.

### 3.0 Information to be Submitted

1. Nomination Form (includes nomination by two CANR members and signature of nominee).
2. A copy of the nominee's curriculum vitae.
3. Two to three letters of support which address the specific criteria for the award.
4. A copy of one major publication of the nominee.

### 4.0 Conflict of Interest Guidelines

1. Members of the Executive and of the Awards Committee are not eligible for nomination.
2. Members of the Executive and of the Awards Committee are not eligible to nominate or to provide supporting documentation for a nominee during their term of office.
3. Members of the Awards Committee are expected to declare conflicts of interest prior to discussion of particular applicants. Members are considered in conflict if they are from the same institution as the nominee or are currently working together on research projects.

## **5.0 Selection**

1. The Awards Committee will review the nomination and supporting documentation.
2. Recommendations will be made by the Awards Committee Chair to the Executive Committee of CANR, with the Executive making the final selections.

## **6.0 Notification**

1. Award recipient(s) will be notified by the CANR President or designate prior to public release of information regarding the Award.
2. Award recipients will be notified two months prior to the conference at which the award will be presented.
3. The recipient and the nominators will be invited to the award ceremony. The conference registration for the recipient will be paid.
4. The name of the award recipient(s) will be published on the CANR website and possibly national media.

## **7.0 Presentation**

Presentation of the award(s) will be made at a national research conference (or other high profile national research conference).

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## Criteria for the Awards of Excellence for Research

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Applications are invited for the CANR Research Awards: *The CANR Nurse Researcher Award; the CANR Outstanding New Investigator Award; the CANR Award for the Promotion of Research Based Practice; and the CANR Practitioner-Researcher Award.*

### **Selection Criteria**

The nominee(s) must be a member of the Canadian Association for Nursing Research. (Membership applications are also available from the Chair, Awards Committee.)

#### ***Nurse Researcher Award***

The nominee has demonstrated exemplary leadership in nursing research. The nominee:

- A. Presents evidence of a program of research that is advancing development of clinically relevant nursing knowledge;
- B. Has a history of externally funded research with published communication of work within nursing or interdisciplinary literature; and
- C. Presents evidence of leadership activities related to generating research awareness and disseminating research findings to clinical and scientific audiences.

#### ***Outstanding New Investigator Award***

The nominee must have completed most recent education within the past three years or has begun to actively engage in research within the past three years at a level that is judged as exceptional. The nominee:

- A. Has received external peer-reviewed funding for research;
- B. Has published in a refereed journal or has manuscript(s) accepted for publication;
- C. Is the principal investigator or co-investigator (must have completed the majority of the work and be responsible for the research project); and is the PI or co-investigator on research which is the beginning of an innovative program of research.

***Award for the Promotion of Research Based Practice***

Open to an individual or group whose work has made a substantial contribution to application of research findings in a clinical setting. The nominee:

- A. Rigorously critiques research findings for suitability of implementation to clinical practice for implementation of findings;
- B. Takes a leadership role in implementing research findings in one's own practice, or influencing others to implement research findings in practice or takes a leadership role in encouraging nurses in the clinical setting to critically examine research and their own clinical practice.
- C. Has demonstrated how research based practice has made a significant difference to client/or systems outcomes; and
- D. Takes a leadership role in using research methods to conduct valid and reliable examination of current practice.

***Practitioner-Researcher Award***

The nominee is a clinician or manager who has demonstrated leadership as a researcher in a clinical setting. The nominee:

- A. As a principal or co-investigator, has received external peer-reviewed funding for research;
- B. Has published in peer reviewed journals and presented at meetings, addressing research and clinical audiences;
- C. Is involved in a program of research on a particular clinical issue or patient population; and
- D. Has demonstrated changes in clinical practice as a direct result of research findings.

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# Canadian Association for Nursing Research Award of Excellence for Research Nomination Form

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I (we) wish to submit a nominee for the following award:

- Nurse Researcher Award
- Outstanding New Investigator Award
- Award for the Promotion of Research Based Practice
- Practitioner-Researcher Award

**Nominee:**

Name:	
Credentials:	
Present Position:	
Home Address:	Business Address:
Telephone:	Telephone:
Fax:	Fax:
Email:	Email:

**Nominated by:**

<i>Nominator #1</i> Name: Title: Address:	<i>Nominator #2</i> Name: Title: Address:
Telephone:	Telephone:
Fax:	Fax:
Email:	Email:

Signature of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Nominator #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Nominator #2 \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Nominations are to be submitted by February 28, 2010 to:*

Chair, Awards Adjudication Committee

Email: [Helen.Brown@nursing.ubc.ca](mailto:Helen.Brown@nursing.ubc.ca)