

PAST AWARD RECIPIENTS

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Distinguished Nurse Administrator

1996 - Diane Mary Seiwert '77, MSN, RN, ARNP - Geriatric Nursing Care
1997 - T. Jane Swaim, MSN, RN - St. Elizabeth Medical Center
1998 - Kathryn M. Mershon, MSN, RN, CNAA, FAAN - The Mershon Co.
1999 - Andrea R. Lindell, DNSc, RN - University of Cincinnati
2000 - Dorine R. Seaquist, MS, RN - Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
2001 - Patricia A. Schroer '75, MSN, RN - Mercy Hospital Anderson
2002 - Elaine Holloway McGuire '80, MSN, MBA, RN, CNAA - TriHealth
2003 - Linda C. Miller, MSN, RN - The Jewish Hospital
2004 - Patricia G. Bondurant, MN, RN - Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
2005 - Debbie Hayes, MS, RN - The Christ Hospital
2006 - C. Renae Phillips '75, MSN, RN - The Dayton Children's Medical Center
2007 - Cheryl L. Hoying, PhD, RN, CNAA - Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
2008 - Stephanie S. Meade, MSN, RN, CNA, BC - The Christ Hospital
2009 - Jennifer Skinner, MSN, RN - TriHealth
2010 - Carmen Pitman, RN, MSN, NE-BC, HP - The Christ Hospital
2011 - Jim Owen, MS, BSN, RN, NEA-BC - Good Samaritan Hospital and Western Ridge
2012 - Kimberly S. Boyer, RN, BSN, MHSA - St. Elizabeth Healthcare
2013 - Barbara Tofani, MSN, RN - Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
2014 - Earl Dalton, MHA, MSL, BSN, RN, NEA-BC - TriHealth
2015 - Jason Huff, MSN, RN - University of Cincinnati Medical Center
2016 - Ruby Crawford-Hemphill, RNC, BSN, MSA
2017 - Judi Schofield, RN, MSN, NE-BC
2018 - Susan McDonald, DNP, MBA, NEA-BC, FACHE, CENP
2019 - Adam Hill, MSN, RN-BC, CPN
2022 - Cryssie Tino, MSN, RN, CNOR, CSSM
2023 - Christine Hassert, MSN, RN, TNCC, CEN, FNE
2023 - Pamela Volz-Noe MED, BSN, BS, RN
2024 - Jennifer Jackson, RN, DNP, NEA-BC

Distinguished Nurse Educator

1996 - Marjorie A. Ryan '60, MSN, RNC - Miami University
1997 - Jeanette R. Spero, PhD, RN, FAPHA - University of Cincinnati
1998 - Linda L. Workman, PhD, RN - University of Cincinnati
1999 - Carol A. Kenner, DNS, RNC, FAAN - University of Cincinnati
2000 - Angela Barron McBride, PhD, RN, FAAN - Indiana University
2001 - Joan Fopma-Loy '76, DNS, RN - Miami University
2002 - Margaret Miller, EdD, MSN, RN - University of Cincinnati
2003 - Tina L. Weitkamp, MSN, RN, NCC - University of Cincinnati
2004 - Christine Colella, MSN, RN, CS, C-ANP - University of Cincinnati
2006 - Marian T. Cummins, MSN, RN - Northern Kentucky University
2007 - Susan A. Johnson, PhD, RN - College of Mount St. Joseph
2008 - Anita W. Finkleman, MSN, RN - University of Oklahoma, College of Nursing
2009 - Joann E. Sullivan-Mann, '73, MSN, RN, RNC - Good Samaritan College of Nursing and Health Science
2012 - Claudia Mitchell, PhD, MSN, RN-BC - University of Cincinnati College of Nursing
2013 - Patricia A. Koral, MSN, RN, CNE - Good Samaritan Hospital College of Nursing and Health Science
2014 - Teresa Getha-Eby, PhD, RN - Good Samaritan College of Nursing and Health Sciences
2015 - Deborah Schwytzer, DNP, MSN, RN - University of Cincinnati College of Nursing
2016 - Kathleen Ballman, DNP, ACNP-BC, CEN
2017 - Michael Mullen, RN, MSN
2018 - Deana Birkenheuer, MSN, RN, CHPN, RN-BC
2019 - Melanie Kroger-Jarvis, DNP, MSN, CNS, RN
2022 - Rebecca Lee, PhD, RN, PHCNS-BC, CTN-A
2023 - Michele Woodard-Scott, MSN, RN
2024 - Julie Moody, DNP, M.Ed, RN, NPD-BC

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Distinguished Nurse Researcher

1997 - Linda S. Bass, PhD, RN - University of Cincinnati
1998 - Janice M. Dyehouse '60, PhD, RN - University of Cincinnati
1999 - Marilyn Sommers, PhD, RN, CCRN, FAAN - University of Cincinnati
2001 - Gail C. McCain, PhD, RN - Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
2005 - Myra Martz Huth, PhD, RN - Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
2006 - Cynthia A. Prows, MSN, RN - Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
2010 - Beverly S. Reigle, Ph.D, RN – University of Cincinnati
2011 - Theresa A. Beery, PhD, RN, ACNP-BC, CNE – University of Cincinnati College of Nursing
2014 - Donna Martsof, PhD, RN, FAAN – University of Cincinnati College of Nursing
2015 - Gordon Gillespie, PhD, RN, CEN, CNE, CPEN, PHCNS-BC, FAEN – University of Cincinnati College of Nursing
2017 - Julie Miller, PhD, MSN, APRN, PNP-BC, FNP-C, CPNP-AC
2018 - Rachel Baker, PhD, RN, CPN
2019 - Tina Volz, PhD, RN
2022 - Tamilyn Bakas, PhD, RN, FAHA, FAAN
2023 - Karen Burkett, PhD, RN, PPCNP-BC
2024 – Ndate Fall, PhD, MS, RN

Lifetime Achievement in Nursing Leadership

1996 - Nancy Savage '55, PhD, RN - University of Cincinnati
1997 - Nancy M. Powell, MHA, RN - TriHealth, Retired
1998 - Carol Yungbluth, MEd, RN - Health Alliance, The Christ Hospital
1999 - Carol A. Anderson, PhD, RN, FAAN - The Ohio State University
2000 - Lisa Richter Byrer '71, MSN, RN - Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
2001 - Carol Ann Roe '75, JD, MSN, RN - Center for Dialysis Care, Shaker Heights, Ohio
2002 - Kimberly A. Toole, MSN, RN - City of Cincinnati Department of Health
2003 - Darlene A. Anderson, DNSc, RN - dls associates
2004 - Brother Ignatius Perkins, OP, DNSc, MAEd, RN, FAAN - Spalding University
2005 - Nancy A. Barone Kremer, MSN, RN, MBA, FACHE - The St. Luke Hospitals
2006 - Denise L. Robinson, PhD, RN, FNP - Northern Kentucky University
2007 - Cindy Perry, CRNP, MSN – Cincinnati Health Department
2008 - Jackie L. Hausfeld, MSN, RN- Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
2009 - Ruth A. Henthorn, MSN, RN – St. Elizabeth's Health Care
2010 - Mary E. Duffey, MBA, BSN, RN, PHR – Greater Cincinnati Health Council
2011 - Kathye Habig Nippert, MSN, RN, FACHE – Catholic Health Partners Corporate Office
2012- Terry M. Foster, RN, MSN, CCNS, FAEN, CCRN, CEN – St. Elizabeth Healthcare
2013 - Jane Swaim, MS, RN – St. Elizabeth Healthcare
2014 - Mary Irvin, RN, MSN, MBA, NEA-BC – TriHealth
2015 - Mary Ellen Betz, EdD, RN – Mount St. Joseph University
2016 - Susan Allen, PhD, RN-BC
2017 - Sara Frazee, RN, MSN, CNN, CDN, CN4
2018 - Charlene Mason, RN, MBA, BSN, NEA-BC
2019 - Francie Wolgin, MSN, RN
2022 - Denise Gormley, PhD, MSN, RN, FNAP
2023 - Rita Pobanz, MSN, RN
2024 – Kathy Jennings, RN, MSN

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Distinguished Alumni Nurse Leader

2000 - Diana McIntosh '76, RN, MSN, CS - University of Cincinnati
2000 - Clarann Weinert '65, SC, PhD, RN, FAAN - Montana State University College
2001 - Mary Jo Mirlenbrink Gerlach '57, MSN Ed, RN - Medical College of Georgia School of Nursing
2002 - Joan E. Steiner '72, MSN, RN, C - Cincinnati Center for Pain Relief, Inc.
2003 - Patricia L. Schaffer '68, MSN, RN - Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
2004 - Mary Arnold Long '81, MSN, RN, CRRN, CWOCN, APRN - Drake Center
2005 - Connie Gallagher '68, BSN, RN, CPHQ - The Christ Hospital
2007 - Pamela D. Fiorini, '76 MSN, RN - Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
2008 - Carol King, '73 MSN, MBA, RN, CNA, FACHE - West Chester Medical Center
2009 - Suzanne M. Brungs, '89, MSN, MBA, RN - Cincinnati Veteran Affairs Medical Center
2010 - Carol C. Tierney, '98, Ph.D(c), MSN, RN - Cincinnati Children's Hospital
2011 - Lynn Heper, '84, SC, BSN, RN - St. Joseph Home of Cincinnati
2012 - Judy Willig Walsh, '74, RN, BSN, MEd, NE-BC, CENP - Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
2013 - Jacquelyn Patton Mayer, '67, MSN, RN - Good Samaritan College of Nursing and Health Science
2014 - Kathleen Lebowitz, '06, MSN, RN, CEN, NEA-BC, TriHealth Bethesda Butler Hospital
2017 - Tonya Honeycutt, '92, RN, BSN
2018 - Tracie Shelton, MSN, BSN, RN, CPHQ, LSSBB
2019 - Kathleen A. O'Connell, PhD, RN, FAAN, FABMR

Exceptional Patient Care - 2020

Debra Ballinger, MBA, BSN, NE-BC
Lee Ann Ernst, MSN, RN, CEN
Sarah Evans, BSN, RN
Kirk Miller, BSN, RN
Beth Pierce, DNP, MSN, BA, RN, NEA-BC
Jen Rogers, MSN, RN
Brandi Shoupe, BSN, RN, CCRN, PCCN-CMC

Exceptional Leadership - 2021

Vera Hall MSN, RN
Gina Murray, MSN, RN, CNML
Carol Tierney, PhD, RN, NEA-BC
Susan Wade-Murphy, MSN, RN, NEA-BC
Patti Watson, BSN, RN, BC