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ASPMN® Awards and Recognition Committee

Purpose of Committee: The Achievement and Recognition Committee is responsible for soliciting nominations for the ASPMN® Awards and Recognition honors. The Committee sends a call for nominations for ASPMN® awards. ASPMN® members may nominate a fellow member*; self-nominations are accepted as well.

Chapter Award

The ASPMN® Chapter Award, established in 2000 by the American Society for Pain Management Nursing®, is presented to an ASPMN® chapter in recognition of development and activity in support of pain management nursing. The chapter award is now linked with the submission of the chapter annual reports and will be considered only if this report is active on file.

Dr. Jo Eland, Excellence in Pediatric Nursing Award

The Dr. Jo Eland, Excellence in Pediatric Nursing Award, originally established in 2011 as the ASPMN® Nurse Exemplar Award, is presented to a nurse in recognition of outstanding contribution to the field of pain management for the pediatric patient.

The ASPMN® Dr. Jo Eland, Excellence in Pediatric Nursing Award recipient will receive:

- Complimentary registration to ASPMN® National Conference the year of the award
- Recognition at the American Society for Pain Management Nursing® National Meeting
- Recognition in *ASPMN® E-News*
- A selected gift of recognition

Nurse Exemplar Award

The ASPMN® Nurse Exemplar Award, established in 2000 by the American Society for Pain Management Nursing®, is presented to a nurse in recognition of outstanding contributions to the field of pain management nursing. *Nominations do not have to come from members. Self-nominations are encouraged.

The ASPMN® Nurse Exemplar Award recipient will receive:

- Complimentary registration to ASPMN® National Conference the year of the award
- Recognition at the American Society for Pain Management Nursing® National Meeting
- Recognition in *ASPMN® E-News*
- A selected gift of recognition

Distinguished Service Award

The ASPMN® Distinguished Service Award, established in 2000 by the ASPMN® Council of Past Presidents, is presented to a member of ASPMN® in recognition of outstanding leadership, participation, and contributions toward achieving the goals of ASPMN®. Self-nominations are encouraged.

The ASPMN® Distinguished Service Award recipient will receive the following:

- Complimentary registration to ASPMN® National Conference the year of the award
- Recognition at the annual meeting
- Recognition in *ASPMN® E-News*
- A selected gift of recognition

Clinical Practice Award

The ASPMN® Clinical Practice Award is presented to an ASPMN® member who has made outstanding contributions to the field of clinical pain practice. Nominations must be from ASPMN® member(s).

The ASPMN® Clinical Practice Award recipient will receive the following:

- Complimentary registration to ASPMN® National Conference the year of the award
- Reimbursement of air transportation up to \$500
- Reimbursement of three nights' lodging
- Recognition at the American Society for Pain Management Nursing® National Conference
- Recognition in *ASPMN® E-News*
- A selected gift of recognition

Advocacy Award

The ASPMN® Pain Management Advocacy Award, established in 2004 by the ASPMN® Board of Directors, is presented to an individual or group in recognition of outstanding contributions in promoting awareness of pain and its treatment through local, state, and national advocacy programs; governmental reform, and/or media exposure. Nominations must be from ASPMN® member(s).

The Advocacy Award recipient will receive:

- Complimentary registration to ASPMN® National Conference the year of the award
- Recognition at the American Society for Pain Management Nursing® Annual Meeting
- Recognition in *ASPMN® E-News*
- A selected gift of recognition

ASPMN® Nurse Excellence Award in Pain Management of the Older Adult

Developed in 2006 with the award of an NCA grant, the Nurse Excellence Award in Pain Management of the Older Adult recognizes excellence in work promoting optimal pain control in older adults. The award will be granted to the ASPMN® member who demonstrates a sustained commitment to pain management care for the elderly, at the ASPMN® National Conference. Announcements will be made to publicize the award and enhance recognition for the recipient through a press release and the website.

The Nurse Excellence in Pain Management of the Older Adult Award recipient will receive:

- Recognition at the American Society for Pain Management Nursing® National Conference
- Recognition in *ASPMN® E-News*
- A selected gift of recognition

Chair of the Awards and Recognition Committee: Term of Office, 2 years

The Committee Chair is appointed by the Board of Directors.

The second year of the chair's term, an "Intent to Chair" form will be sent to all current committee members for the chair position the following year. The current chair will mentor the incoming chair.

Important Traits for Awards and Recognition Committee Chair:

- The Chair of the committee must have previously served on the committee
- Demonstrate enthusiasm for the committee's work
- Organize, attend and facilitate the meetings/conference calls of the committee
- Communicate in a timely and reliable manner with the President, the Board, the Executive Staff and the committee members
- Provide strong leadership for the committee members and delegate appropriately
- Seek creative solutions from membership to address projects and challenges

Committee Member

POLICY: The Committee Member's term of office is for 3 years. The committee member's term of office is renewed annually based on their submission of a "Willingness to Serve" form along with fulfilling the guidelines set forth by the Committee. Committee members must be active members of ASPMN®.

PROCEDURE:

The Committee Member is responsible for and has commensurate authority to accomplish the following duties:

The Committee Member must:

- participate in 75% of conference calls per year.
- Complete assigned activities and submit required materials in the designated timeframe.
- Participate in developing goals and objectives for future activities/projects.

- Display professional behavior and support the goals and mission of the Committee and that of the Association.

TIMELINE:

July -- The chapter awards applications are due July 31. The reports will be gathered by the Staff Chapter Liaison and forwarded to the Chair and Committee in March.

September – February – Nominations will be solicited via website and *E-News*. Nominations are due February 28 of each year (for awards presented in September).

March – ASPMN® Staff will prepare applications for nominations to be assessed by each Committee member. These will be mailed to committee members by March 31.

April – Evaluation of applications and determination of award winners. Evaluations are due April 30.

May -- Committee will meet via conference call in May to review grading systems and to finalize award winners. The Committee Chair will present the award list to the President at the Spring Board meeting. The Chair will announce the awards to the individuals; the ASPMN® Staff will send congratulatory letters to recipients and if necessary, regret letters to other nominees.