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Nightingale Awards of Pennsylvania “Call for Nomination” Applications Available

Nightingale Awards of Pennsylvania (NAP) has announced a “Call for Nominations” and is now accepting applications for its prestigious awards. Nominations may be submitted by anyone who wishes to recognize excellence in nursing. To be eligible, the nominated individual must be working as a nurse in Pennsylvania. Applications must be postmarked by midnight May 15, for consideration for Awards in 2009. The awards will be presented at the 20th Anniversary of the Nightingale Awards Gala, to be held October 16, 2009 at the Radisson Penn Harris Hotel & Convention Center in Camp Hill.

There are six categories of nursing which are recognized in the call for nominations: Advanced Clinical Practice, Clinical Practice RN, Clinical Practice LPN, Nursing Administration, Nursing Research, and Nursing Education. To date, over 3400 nurses have been recognized for excellence in their profession of which 332 achieved finalist designation and 113 were selected to receive the prestigious Nightingale Awards of Pennsylvania.

A non-profit organization, Nightingale Awards of Pennsylvania (NAP) was established in 1989 to honor nurses living or employed in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The Foundation’s purpose is “to recognize the exceptional nurses of today and to recruit the nurses of tomorrow.”

The organization is managed by a voluntary Board of Trustees. Its efforts are supported entirely by volunteers who donate their time and services. Financial support has been received from healthcare institutions, professional organizations and individuals throughout the state. Interest from the Nightingale Awards and Scholarship Fund is used to enhance efforts to recognize, recruit and retain nurses throughout the Commonwealth.

As another part of the core mission, Nightingale Awards of Pennsylvania has presented scholarship monies to Pennsylvanians pursuing nursing education that prepares them to become practical or registered nurses or an advanced nursing practice degree.

Applications for the “Call for Nominations” can be obtained directly from the NAP website, www.nightingaleawards.org. You can contact NAP headquarters, 2090 Linglestown Rd. Suite 107 Harrisburg PA 17110, 717-909-0350 with any questions.