

2019 NURSE OF THE YEAR CATEGORIES

Advanced Practice Nurses	
ADVANCED PRACTICE	Clinical Nurse Specialist, Certified Nurse Midwife, Nurse Practitioner, Nurse Psychotherapist, Nurse Clinician, Nurse Anesthetist.
Nurse Managers	
NURSE MANAGER	A nurse leader that has operational responsibility for a clinic, department or service line. Includes nurse manager, nurse directors and service line leaders. INCLUDES TITLE OF NURSE DIRECTOR AND NURSE MANAGER
Direct Care Nurses	
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH	Mental health and addictive counseling and treatment services.
CRITICAL CARE	Includes ICU/CCU, and PICU.
EMERGENCY/TRANSPORT	ER settings including life flight, ambulance, pre-hospital, telephone triage and pediatric.
HOSPICE/HOME HEALTH/ PALLIATIVE CARE	Nurses in inpatient/outpatient hospice and palliative care setting and nurses in all home health care settings
INTERMEDIATE CARE/ TELEMETRY	Nurses in Intermediate Care Units includes step-down, progressive care and telemetry nursing, in inpatient/outpatient hospice and palliative care settings and nurses in all home health care settings.
LONG-TERM CARE/ REHABILITATION/ GERIATRICS	Nurses caring for patients in specialty Long Term Acute Care Hospitals, Skilled Nursing Facilities and Acute Rehabilitation Facilities.
MEDICAL/SURGICAL	Medical, Surgical, Orthopedics, Neurological, Renal, Respiratory, Cardiovascular Nursing.
NEONATOLOGY	Nurses in all Neonatology settings.
ONCOLOGY	Nursing in oncology settings - adult and pediatric.
PEDIATRICS	Nursery, General Pediatric Units, Pediatric Clinics.
PROCEDURAL CARE	Includes Interventional Radiology, Cardiac Cath Lab, Electrophysiology Lab, Dialysis, Endoscopy and other special procedures.
PUBLIC HEALTH/ AMBULATORY CARE	Public Health, clinic, office and other Ambulatory Care settings and/or School, Transplant Coordinators, Parish and Prison Nursing.
RISING STAR	Nurses who, within the first two years of practice, exemplify outstanding patient care, leadership and professionalism.
RURAL HEALTH/ CRITICAL ACCESS	Nurses in all Rural Health or Critical Access settings across all direct care categories. Includes facilities with less than a 100 beds.
SURGICAL SERVICES	Perioperative, Preoperative, PACU, Day Surgery and OR.
WOMEN'S HEALTH	Antepartum, Labor & Delivery, Maternal/Baby Care, Postpartum and Gynecology.
Other Nursing Roles	
CASE MANAGEMENT/ CARE COORDINATION	Nurses actively engaged in the professional practice of case management and utilization review in any health care setting. One who coordinates care and/or advocates for appropriate patient admissions to specialty units/programs.
CLINICAL EDUCATOR/ ACADEMIC EDUCATOR	An exemplary educator in a school of nursing or in a clinical facility.
NURSING INFORMATICS	Actively engaged to driving strategies to Integrate Nursing Science, Computer Science, Information Science, and evidence based practices and new knowledge in nursing practice.
QUALITY MANAGEMENT	Nurses working in Infection Control, Performance Improvement, Quality Management, Risk Management, Patient Advocate, Patient Safety in the Community and/or Hospital.

ANY CATEGORY COULD INCLUDE - CHARGE NURSE, COORDINATORS, STAFF NURSES AND NURSING SUPERVISOR

