

## 2020 NURSE OF THE YEAR CATEGORIES AND DESCRIPTION

Advanced Practice Nurses	
<b>ADVANCED PRACTICE</b>	Clinical Nurse Specialist, Certified Nurse Midwife, Nurse Practitioner, Nurse Psychotherapist, Nurse Clinician, Nurse Anesthetist.
Nurse Managers	
<b>NURSE MANAGER</b>	A nurse leader that has operational responsibility for a clinic, department or service line. Includes nurse manager, nurse directors and service line leaders. <b>INCLUDES TITLE OF NURSE DIRECTOR AND NURSE MANAGER</b>
Direct Care Nurses	
<b>BEHAVIORAL HEALTH</b>	Mental health and addictive counseling and treatment services.
<b>CRITICAL CARE</b>	Includes ICU/CCU, and PICU.
<b>EMERGENCY/TRANSPORT</b>	ER settings including life flight, ambulance, pre-hospital, telephone triage and pediatric.
<b>INTERMEDIATE CARE/TELEMETRY</b>	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.
<b>LONG-TERM CARE/HOSPICE/REHABILITATION/GERIATRICS</b>	Nurses caring for patients in specialty Long Term Acute Care Hospitals, Skilled Nursing Facilities and Acute Rehabilitation Facilities. Nurses in inpatient/outpatient hospice and palliative care setting and nurses in all home health care settings
<b>LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE (LPN)</b>	Provide routine care, observe patients' health, assists doctors and registered nurses in patient care.
<b>MEDICAL/SURGICAL</b>	Medical, Surgical, Orthopedics, Neurological, Renal, Respiratory, Cardiovascular Nursing.
<b>NEONATOLOGY</b>	Nurses in all Neonatology settings.
<b>ONCOLOGY</b>	Nursing in oncology settings - adult and pediatric.
<b>PEDIATRICS</b>	Nursery, General Pediatric Units, Pediatric Clinics.
<b>PROCEDURAL CARE</b>	Includes Interventional Radiology, Cardiac Cath Lab, Electrophysiology Lab, Dialysis, Endoscopy and other special procedures.
<b>PUBLIC HEALTH/AMBULATORY CARE</b>	Public Health, clinic, office and other Ambulatory Care settings and/or School, Transplant Coordinators, Parish and Prison Nursing.
<b>RISING STAR</b>	Nurses who, within the first two years of practice, exemplify outstanding patient care, leadership and professionalism.
<b>RURAL HEALTH/CRITICAL ACCESS</b>	Nurses in all Rural Health or Critical Access settings across all direct care categories. Includes facilities with less than a 100 beds.
<b>SURGICAL SERVICES</b>	Perioperative, Preoperative, PACU, Day Surgery and OR.
<b>WOMEN'S HEALTH</b>	Antepartum, Labor & Delivery, Maternal/Baby Care, Postpartum and Gynecology.
Other Nursing Roles	
<b>CASE MANAGEMENT/CARE COORDINATION</b>	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.
<b>CLINICAL EDUCATOR/ACADEMIC EDUCATOR</b>	An exemplary educator in a school of nursing or in a clinical facility.
<b>NURSING INFORMATICS</b>	Actively engaged to driving strategies to Integrate Nursing Science, Computer Science, Information Science, and evidence based practices and new knowledge in nursing practice.
<b>QUALITY MANAGEMENT</b>	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  
NURSING EXECUTIVES INCLUDING VICE PRESIDENTS, COO, CEO OR CNO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.**