

**Sigma Theta Tau International
Beta Iota Chapter**

AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN NURSING PRACTICE

Purpose of the Award

The purpose of this award is to recognize an outstanding, active* member of Beta Iota Chapter who demonstrates excellence in nursing practice.

Criteria for the Award

1. Demonstrates breadth of knowledge and clinical expertise as an exemplar practitioner in an area of nursing practice.
2. Develops innovative approaches to nursing practice that are based on evidence and improve the quality of patient care.
3. Advances the profession of nursing through leadership in organizations that influence the scope and practice of nursing.
4. Inspires peers in their practice of nursing by demonstrating excellence in nursing practice.
5. Enhances the image of nursing by exhibiting a professional demeanor, competency in patient care, and engagement in scholarly activities.

**Active is defined as a current, dues paying member*

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AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN NURSING LEADERSHIP

Purpose of the Award

The purpose of this award is to recognize an outstanding, active* member of Beta Iota Chapter whose leadership has significantly advanced the profession of nursing t

Criteria for the Award

1. Demonstrates collaborative leadership that promotes effective communication, interprofessional team contributions, and creative problem solving that leads to improved healthcare outcomes for individuals, populations, and communities.
2. Advances the profession of nursing through visionary and innovative approaches to leadership and by designing opportunities for professional growth of novice nurse leaders.
3. Mentors novice nurse leaders by designing opportunities for professional growth which enhance the role of nurses in society.
4. Receives local, national and/or international recognition as a nursing leader in education, practice, administration and/or research.
5. Serves in leadership roles in professional and/or community organizations.

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AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN NURSING EDUCATION

Purpose of the Award

The purpose of this award is to recognize an outstanding, active* Beta Iota Chapter member who serves as an exemplary nurse educator, contributing to the practice of nursing education.

Criteria for the Award

1. Facilitates professional development of peers and motivates learners to embrace the art and science of nursing.
2. Is recognized among educational scholars as an expert in a nursing specialty.
3. Uses innovative teaching strategies appropriate for the content shared and the knowledge level of the learner.
4. Advances the science of nursing by clarifying, refining, and/or expanding the knowledge base of nursing through scholarly activities.
5. Evidences outstanding knowledge in relation to curriculum development and innovative, effective teaching strategies.

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AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN RESEARCH

Purpose of the Award

The purpose of this award is to recognize an outstanding, active* Beta Iota Chapter member who contributes to the body of nursing science through the research activities.

Criteria for the Award

1. Is recognized as an established investigator and leader whose work influences practice, education, administration, research, and/or the utilization of evidence.
2. Conducts distinguished research which investigates phenomenon of interest to nursing science.
3. Contributes to nursing science through an established program of research.
4. Demonstrates a record of disseminating research results in professional nursing and/or non-nursing publications and oral and/or poster presentations.
5. Mentors novice researchers in building rigorous research trajectories.

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