



*DIAMOND JUBILEE
AND
AWARDS CEREMONY
October 4, 2017*

Welcome and Congratulations

October 4, 2017

Dear 2017 Awards Ceremony Participant:

Tonight we recognize incredible individual nurses, interdisciplinary teams, educators and advocates. This is truly the most affirming activity the Connecticut Nurses' Association (CNA) engages in each year. It is inspiring to see the significant contributions that nursing colleagues and other individuals have made to the nursing profession and to the health of the public.

Nurses in Connecticut continue to lead our profession in their practice, research, education and professional contributions. The CNA Board of Directors (BOD) celebrate these achievements through our Awards event. The Diamond Jubilee Awards recognize outstanding contributions to nursing in distinct areas and represent the highest nursing honors. The BOD also gives the Annual Connecticut Nurses' Association Awards to recognize outstanding contributions of individual nurses and organizations in workplace excellence, as well as public service. The CNA President's Award honors an individual or organization that makes significant contributions to the practice of nursing or to the CNA.

Tonight we celebrate outstanding citizens, leaders and nurses!

We look forward to this Awards Ceremony and hope that it is an event that inspires!

Warmest regards,

Stephanie G. Knutson, MSN, RN
President

Kimberly A. Clear Sandor, MSN, RN, FNP
Executive Director

CONNECTICUT NURSES' ASSOCIATION
AWARDS CELEBRATION
October 4, 2017

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RECOGNITION AND THANKS

A special thank you to Awards Chair, Susan Goncalves, and Leadership Committee members Paula McCauley, Mellissa Pelletier and Deb Blazys for their time and commitment to the workgroup. Your patience and commitment to the process and selection of candidates that reflect the identified qualities makes this event a success in recognizing Connecticut nurses who have contributed so much to the profession.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Connecticut Nurses' Association speaks with a unified voice for nurses across all specialties, in all forums. The Association exerts its organized influence on education, legislation, and compensation to protect and advance the practice of nursing and the health of the people in CT. We connect our members to each other and to our collective passion, power and purpose.

Connecticut Nurses' Association Awards Celebration Diamond Jubilee Awards

The prestigious Diamond Jubilee Awards represent the highest honor that the nursing profession can bestow on its own, a kind of "Nobel Prize" in nursing. These awards are named after some of the most distinguished leaders in Connecticut nursing history.

The Josephine A. Dolan Award - For Outstanding Contributions to Nursing Education.

This award recognizes innovations and achievements in areas which may include, but not necessarily limited to: improving the quality of the educational (undergraduate, graduate, continuing education) experience; enhancing the learning environment; conceiving new analytical approaches to subject matter, improving pedagogy; increasing access; applying technology; developing curriculum; allocating resources; assessing learning; strengthening faculty; securing support; clarifying and enlarging nursing education's role in society; or developing public policy.

- ❖ Donna M. Nickitas, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, CNE, FNAP, FAAN

The Virginia Henderson Award - For Outstanding Contributions to Nursing Research.

This award recognizes contributions and innovations in nursing research, which may include, but are not limited to nursing theory, applied clinical research, related fields such as: nursing history, medical anthropology, public health or health care economics.

- ❖ Angela R. Starkweather, PhD, ACNP-BC, CNRN, FAAN

The Florence S. Wald Award - For Outstanding Contributions to Nursing Practice.

This award recognizes achievements and innovations in nursing practice or health care delivery to a patient population that may include, but not necessarily be limited to: improved quality of care; new or innovative models of care; increased availability of care; improved access to care; potential or demonstrated impact on the prevention of illness, accidents, or other threats to health; improvement in the overall health status of a patient population(s); improvements in the quality of human life; or relief of human suffering.

- ❖ Wendy Martinson, MSN, RN
- ❖ Laura Kierol Andrews, PhD, RN, APRN, ACNP-BC

The Doris M. Armstrong - For Outstanding Contributions to Nursing Administration.

This award recognizes outstanding achievement, innovation and leadership in nursing service, health care delivery or public health. These may include, but are not limited to, improved quality of care; new, innovative or cost-effective models of service; increased availability of or improved access to health care; cultivation of a practice environment that empowers nurses or enhances nursing's impact on care; demonstration of the impact of nursing on the health status of a group or population; or significant advancement of the nursing profession.

- ❖ Francine LoRusso, MHA, RN, CCRN, CENP

The Mary Jane M. Williams Award - For Lifetime Contribution to the Nursing Profession.

This award recognizes that nurses specialize and also function in multiple arenas that advance the cause of the profession. Deserving candidates may be nominated as a result of a lifetime of contribution in a variety of categories (nursing administration, political action, contribution to CNA, etc). This award reflects the composite of a lifetime of service and takes into consideration the entire mosaic of significant contributions and evaluates merit based on the sum of the parts.

- ❖ Shirley Girouard, RN, PhD, FAAN

Connecticut Nurses' Association Awards Celebration
2017 Award Recipients

Excellence in the Workplace Award - To recognize a workplace that promotes professional autonomy, control over nursing practice, and/or an enhanced work environment for nurses.

❖ **LIFE STAR- Hartford Hospital**

Public Services Award'-' Is given to an individual who has made notable contributions to the advancement of nursing, public health or health care in Connecticut through public service, public education/advocacy, public policy or organizational leadership.

❖ **Lina A. Dureza, BSN, RN, MSM, LNHA, CDONA, FACDONA, CDP, CADDCT**

❖ **Dianne Doyle Puzycki, RN**

President's Award - To recognize and honor individuals and organizations that have made outstanding contributions to nurses and/or nursing practice in Connecticut or provided outstanding service or contributions to CNA.

❖ **Connecticut Faith Community Nursing**
Marilyn Faber, Chair, will receive the award

CNA 2017 Award Recipient

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LIFE STAR- Hartford Hospital Hartford Connecticut,

LIFE STAR is a Commission on Accreditation of Medical Transport Systems (CAMTS) accredited, hospital-based, rotary-wing, critical care transport program, and a department of Hartford Hospital. Founded in 1985, LIFE STAR has transported more than 33,000 patients. Caring for the neonatal, pediatric, and adult populations, LIFE STAR flight crews represent the highest level of pre-hospital care in Connecticut and are the only team to bring blood products into the communities they serve. LIFE STAR is a founding member of the North East Air Alliance (NEAA), a regional collaboration among critical care transport programs in the northeast that has led to the development of industry-wide operational best-practices. In 2016, LIFE STAR became the first flight/critical care transport program in the nation to receive the prestigious Beacon Award for Excellence.

CNA 2017 Award Recipient

Public Service Award

Is given to an individual who has made notable contributions to the advancement of nursing, public health or health care in Connecticut through public service, public education/advocacy, public policy or organizational leadership.



Lina A. Dureza, BSN, RN, MSM, LNHA, CDONA, FACDONA, CDP, CADDCT

Director of Nursing Services,
Hughes Health and Rehabilitation Inc.,
West Hartford, Connecticut

Lina A. Dureza, BSN, RN, MSM, LNHA, CDONA, FACDONA, CDP, CADDCT is currently the Director of Nursing Administration for Hughes Health and Rehabilitation, Inc. in West Hartford, Connecticut. She is a BSN graduate of Filamer Christian University in the Philippines and holds a Master's degree in Management from the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, The Lally School of Business Management in Hartford, Connecticut.

As a nurse, Lina has several years of experience working in acute care, home care, and long term- care and has been in the latter field for more than twenty years. She is a Certified Director of Nursing in Long-Term Care as well as Fellow in the Academy of Certified Directors of Nursing Administration. She is also a Licensed Nursing Home Administrator and a Certified trainer for the National Council of Certified Dementia Practitioners (NCCDP).

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Dianne Doyle Puzycki, RN
RN, Nursing Supervisor
Connecticut Hospice
Branford, Connecticut

This is **Dianne Doyle Puzycki, RN** 65th year in nursing, Dianne started her career at the Hospital of St. Raphael and shortly thereafter moved to what is now Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center. Her experience in New York peaked her interest in caring for terminally ill patients and their needs. Dianne started with the CT Hospice in New Haven in the early 1970s as they embarked on a new concept of care in the United States. There was not much known about the hospice philosophy but it quickly provided a gap in care. Dianne was fortunate to be in the same room as Florence Wald, Charlotte Gray, Rosemary Johnson-Hurzeler and attended lectures of Elisabeth Kubler-Ross. In 1980, they started in Branford CT where she was lucky to be surrounded by some of the best nurses in the field, Gen O'Connell has been her co-worker since those days in New Haven and continues to be there with her today. Dianne says ..As I continue to work at my "experienced" age, I am fortunate to have met many wonderful care givers and have had the honor of caring for some great patients in the last days of their life.

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Connecticut Faith Community Nurses Marilyn Faber

Faith Community Nursing has grown since its inception in the 1980's to an international specialty of nursing building on the roots of most faith traditions in caring for others, and focusing on wholeness of mind, body and spirit. American Nurses Association defines faith community nurses, "Faith Community nursing is a specialized practice of the professional nurse that focuses on intentional care of the spirit as well as on the promotion of holistic health and prevention or minimization of illness within the context of a faith community." This nursing has the potential to improve health in our communities through education, advocacy, access, and referral.

CNA Diamond Jubilee Recipient

The Josephine Dolan Award

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Donna M. Nickitas, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, CNE, FNAP, FAAN

Executive Officer of the PhD Program at
The Graduate Center of the City University of New York,
Director Continuing Education,
School of Nursing, Hunter College, CUNY, New York

Donna M. Nickitas, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, CNE, FNAP, FAAN is an internationally recognized leader in nursing education. Currently, she is the Executive Officer of the Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing Program at the Graduate Center, City University of New York and Professor of Nursing at Hunter College. Dr. Nickitas is an exemplary educator who influences nursing and policy through her impact on policy education for nurses through teaching, scholarship, and political and social activism. Her political acumen and advocacy have enlarged nursing education's role in society by preparing the next generation of nurse leaders and scientists. She has instilled an atmosphere of enthusiasm among her students to advance nursing science and become stewards of the profession. Her contributions to nursing research include peer mentoring, service-learning, and health information technology through the New York City Nursing Education Consortium in Technology (NYCNECT), a funded grant from the Health Services Administration to teach nurse faculty with the City University system to integrate technology in the classroom. In addition to multiple books, chapters, peer reviewed publications and editorials, Dr. Nickitas continues to be an editor for *Nursing Economics*, and *Journal for Health Care Leaders* where she has developed the journal into a highly respected and widely utilized source of policy expertise and debate, advancing the profession's capacity to respond to the rapid changes in health care practice, organization, financing, and regulation.

In addition to membership in many prestigious professional associations, Dr. Nickitas is an elected fellow of the American Academy of Nursing, fellow of the National Academies of Practice and a fellow of the New York Academy of Medicine.

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Angela R. Starkweather, PhD, ACNP-BC, CNRN, FAAN

Professor Director, Center for Advancement of Managing Pain (CAMP)
University of Connecticut, School of Nursing,
Storrs, Connecticut

Angela Starkweather, PhD, ACNP-BC, CNRN, FAAN is an acute care nurse practitioner and neuroscience nurse with 20 years of experience in acute and urgent care settings, who has devoted her career toward identifying the physiological mechanisms of persistent pain and developing personalized methods to mitigate pain and its detrimental consequences. The impact of her research has led to innovative self-management strategies for patients and families dealing with pain and other distressing symptoms. She has been funded by the National Institute of Nursing Research for the past 10 years and serves as the Director of the Center for Accelerating Precision Pain Self-Management at the University of Connecticut School of Nursing. She serves as Chair of the Genomic Nursing and Health Care Expert Panel of the American Academy of Nursing, Ambassador of the Friends of the National Institute of Nursing Research, and standing member of the American Association of Neuroscience Nurses Clinical Practice Guidelines Board.

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Wendy Martinson, MSN, RN

Director of Care Transitions Hartford Healthcare at Home &
Program Director Connecticut Center for Healthy Aging
Hartford Connecticut

Wendy Martinson, MSN, RN Wendy is a nurse of 27 years and currently the Director of the Hartford HealthCare Center for Healthy Aging. A major focus of her work revolves around improving health outcomes for fragile adults with complex medical, socioeconomic and cognitive issues. Over the years she has developed the Farmington Valley “Dream Team” Community of Care, a multi-organizational multidisciplinary approach addressing care transition process issues and solutions. She co-developed a health policy proposal on medication therapy management for pending state legislation. She has spoken at conferences locally and nationally, published papers and presented posters on improving cardiac care, reducing readmissions and innovative community health programs. Wendy also has a passion for education and is an adjunct professor for graduate nurses teaching public health and healthcare reform. She has received the Connecticut Hospital Association Healthcare Hero Award, The Permanente Journal Service Quality Award, Triple Aim Award, and Connecticut Hospital Association Community Service Award.

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Laura Kierol Andrews, PhD, RN, APRN, ACNP-BC

Specialty Coordinator, Adult/Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Program,
Yale School of Nursing, Orange, CT
Joint Appointment with
Hospital of Central Connecticut, CT
Department of Critical Care Medicine (Senior ACNP)

Dr. Laura Kierol Andrews is an Associate Professor and Adult/Gerontology Acute Care Specialty Coordinator at Yale School of Nursing and holds a joint appointment as a Senior Acute Care Nurse Practitioner at the Hospital of Central Connecticut's Critical Care Unit. She was one of the first certified ACNPs in the US and has over 29 years of acute and critical care nursing experience. At the Hospital of Central Connecticut, she advanced the identification and support of patients in crisis through the development of the Medical Rapid Response Team, which is a cornerstone of the hospital's safety program. She is also an active volunteer for the American Association of Critical-Care Nurses and has spoken many times at their national conferences. Throughout her career, she has educated and mentored hundreds of students and nurses, with the goal to provide acutely and critically-ill patients with exceptional care.

CNA Diamond Jubilee Recipient

The Doris Armstrong Award

The Doris Armstrong Award for outstanding contributions to nursing administration recognizes significant innovations and achievements in nursing service administration which advance nurses and the profession.



Francine LoRusso, RN, MHA, CCRN, CENP

Vice President Patient Services, Heart and Vascular Center,
Transplantation Center and Medicine Services
Yale New Haven Hospital,
New Haven, Connecticut

Francine LoRusso, RN, MHA, CCRN, CENP Francine's nursing career at YNHH spans over 35 years and began at the bedside in CICU. Her leadership trajectory includes Patient Services Manager, Director of Patient Services, Executive Director of Patient Services and now Vice President of Heart & Vascular Center (HVC), Transplant and Medicine at Yale New Haven Hospital (YNHH), responsible for all associated inpatient services; HVC/Transplant ambulatory sites; cardiac imaging services; HVC clinical research; and all HVC procedural labs. A member of the nursing executive leadership team for Yale New Haven Health Services (YNHHS), her leadership at the service line level impacts every hospital in the health system.

Francine is a graduate from Quinnipiac University – BSN and MHA with Distinction. She remains actively involved in her professional specialty, state and national organizations and has received many awards over her career. To name a few, she has received the American Heart Association Mission: Lifeline STEMI Achievement Award, National Kidney Foundation Honors Program.

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Shirley Girouard, RN, PhD, FAAN

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Shirley Girouard, RN, PhD, FAAN is Professor and Associate Dean for Research and Innovations at the College of Nursing at SUNY Downstate. She holds a PhD in health & social policy from the Heller School, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA, a Master of Science in Nursing from Yale University, a master of arts in medical sociology from the University of Connecticut, a bachelor of arts with a major in sociology from Eastern Connecticut State University, and a diploma in nursing from Hartford Hospital School of Nursing. Around the table she brings an important perspective that combines an understanding of healthcare delivery, finance and evaluation. In addition, her contributions are strengthened by her experiences as a program officer at the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, a vice-president at the National Association of Children’s Hospitals and Related Institutions, an original member of the Child and Adolescent Health Measurement Initiative, as one of the founders of the child health interest group at Academy Health (formerly AHSR), and through involvement with the Society of Pediatric Nurses.

Shirley presently serves on the State Of Connecticut’s Practice Transformation Task Force, a committee of the CMS initiative to develop state level healthcare improvement models. In addition, she is a member of the Packard Foundation funded national advisory board “To engage families to improve quality and outcomes of CSHCN – creating a routine visit tool for planning, assessment & education.” Her present research activities are related to both research and evidence-based practice: to improve patient care transitions; support persons with chronic conditions and their caregivers; adverse childhood experiences among student nurses; and, promoting innovations in nursing education such as maximizing the role of RNs in primary care.

**Recipients
1980-2017**

The Doris M. Armstrong Award for Outstanding Contributions to Nursing Administration

1991 Doris M. Armstrong	1992 Claire E. O'Neil	1994 Ruth D. Abbott
1996 Joyce E. Schickler	1997 Rhonda Anderson	2000 Virginia Humphrey
2002 Laura J. Caramanica	2007 D. Vincent Penry	2008 Margaret Flinter
2010 Colleen O. Smith	2011 Grace Lenox Flight	2012 Sue Fitzsimmons
2013 Susan Davis	2014 Cheryl B. Hoey	2014 Linda L. Strong
2016 Diane Vorio	2017 Francine LoRusso	

The Josephine A. Dolan Award for Outstanding Contributions to Nursing Education

1980 Josephine A. Dolan(d)	1982 Edith Patton Lewis(d)	1984 Kathleen T. Flynn
1987 Carolyn L. Widmer	1989 Judith B. Kraus	1990 Judith A. Hriceniak(d)
1991 Martha P. Jayne	1992 Eleanor K. Herrmann	1993 Dorothy L. Sexton(d)
1994 Suzanne MacAvoy	1995 Ellen R. Beatty	1997 Dorothy P. Fishman
1998 Constance E. Young	1999 Linda A. Barile	2000 Esther Haloburdo
2001 Jane E. Murdock	2004 Ruth Knollmueller	2005 Dori Taylor Sullivan
2007 Elizabeth Anderson	2008 Daryle Brown	2009 Sheila Carey Grossman
2010 Susan DeNisco	2011 Linda Honan Pellico	2011 Anne Maria Barker
2012 Kathleen Fries	2013 Audrey Beauvais	2014 UCHC CMHC and CDOC and UCONN SoN
2015 Joan Palladino	2015 Katie Love	2016 John James McNulty
2017 Donna Nickitas		

The Virginia A. Henderson Award for Outstanding Contributions to Nursing Research

1980 Virginia A. Henderson(d)	1981 Donna K. Diers	1983 Marlene Kramer
1985 Barbara Munro	1986 Beverly L. Koerner	1987 Jacqueline Fawcett
1989 John D. Thompson(d)	1990 Robin D. Froman	1991 Cheryl Stetler
1992 Mairead Hickey	1994 Ann B. Williams	1995 Marjorie Funk
1996 Angela E. Vicenzi	1997 Margaret Grey	2001 Cheryl L. Beck
2002 Olga M. Church	2003 Gail D'Eramo-Melkus	2007 Robin E. Leger
2007 Deborah McDonald	2010 Angela Crowley	2011 Nancy Schmieder Redeker
2012 Barbara Aronson	2013 Cynthia Barriere	2013 Meridith Wallace Kazer
2014 Leslie Neal-Boylan	2014 Jacqueline M. McGrath	2014 Nancy R. Reynolds
2015 Colleen Delaney	2016 M. Tish Knobf	2017 Angela Starkweather

The Vera R. Keane Award for Distinguished Service to the Connecticut Nurses' Association

1980 Vera R. Keane(d)	1981 Audrey M. McCluskey	1983 Claire Lycett
1984 Beverly G. O'Connor	1989 E. Carol Polifroni	1990 Marie A. Turbie(d)
1992 Patricia D. Barry	1993 Marylouise Welch	1994 Carol Daisy(d)
1997 Barbara E. Pokorny	1998 Myra H. Kerr(d)	2000 Mary Jane Williams
2001 Yohanna M. Casalini	2002 Mary Ellen "Mell" Hobson	2004 Karen Banks
2005 Judith A. Sartucci	2008 Timothy Squires	2010 Karen Crouse
2011 Linda Angotto	2012 Angela V. DiLillo	2013 Leo Le Bel
2015 Patricia Bouffard	2016 Gayle Sullivan	

The Agnes Ohlson Award for Outstanding Contributions to Nursing Through Political Action

1980 Agnes Ohlson(d)	1982 Barbara G. Schutt	1983 Clara Williams
1984 Kathy Burness	1985 Hazel T. Marci(d)	1988 Flora Vigliotti Lavery
1989 Sen. Lowell Weicker, Jr.	1990 Marie V. Roberto	1991 Elsa L. Brown
1993 Doris T. Lippman	1995 Donna M. Nikitas	1997 Marie T. Hilliard
1999 The CT Chapter of Nurse Attorneys	2000 Leo Le Bel	2001 Lisabeth Johnston
2007 Lynn Price	2004 Marilyn Richard	2005 Norma D. Gyle
2010 Thomas Regan & Lari Samele-Bates	2008 Rep. Peggy Sayers	2009 Christopher Shays
2013 Lynn Rapsilber	2011 Anne B. Hulick	2012 Donna Kosiorowski
2015 Rep. Roberta Willis	2014 Rep Theresa Conroy	2014 Rep. Peggy Sayers
	2016 Joy Elwell	

The Florence S. Wald Award for Outstanding Contributions to Nursing Practice

1980 Florence S. Wald	1981 Joan L. Quinn	1983 Constance T. Donovan
1984 Nurse Counseling Group, Inc.	1985 Doris M. Armstrong	1986 Henrietta Bernal
1989 Jayne Ryzewski	1987 Rachel Rotkovitch	1988 Bette Jeanne Gebrian
1992 Elizabeth L. Ryan	1990 Ruth D. Abbott	1991 Christine Waszynski
1996 Deanna M. Xistris	1993 Vera V. Yordan	1995 Janet Parkosewich
1999 Roberta `Berti' Chuong	1997 George Daneri	1998 AmeriCare
2002 Lucia DeVivo-Catalano	2000 Rita Bonczek	2001 Rhea Sanford
2006 Barbara Moynihan	2004 Linda Spoonster Schwartz	2005 Mary C. Keane
2010 Julie Stewart	2009 The «Shelton Team»	2010 Kathleen Tracy Grimaud
	2011 Patricia D. Giannelli	2011 Shery Watson

2012 Alison Moriarty Daly
2015 Deborah Poerio
2017 Laura Kierol Andrews

2013 Stephanie Knutson
2016 Patricia Ryan-Krause

2014 Heather Dawn Reynolds
2017 Wendy Martinson

The Mary Jane M. Williams for Lifetime Achievement in Nursing

2010 Mary Jane M. Williams
2013 Linda Angotto
2016 Marjorie Funk

2011 E. Carol Polifroni
2014 Cheryl Tatano Beck
2017 Shirley Girouard

2012 Linda Barile
2015 Maria Pietrantuono



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**Connecticut Nurses' Association & ANA give you
what you need to provide top-quality patient care and
be the best nurse you can be.**



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