



## The Canadian Association of Critical Care Nurses

### Life Member Award Criteria

#### Award Information

Life Member status is conferred by the Canadian Association of Critical Care Nurses (CACCN) to individuals who have demonstrated sustained support and exceptional contributions to the CACCN, as well as the advancement of the art and science of critical care nursing through practice, education, research leadership and advocacy for the specialty.

As a Life Member, the recipient will maintain CACCN voting privileges until such time as they actively retire from registered nursing and/or cease to hold a valid registered nursing license or certificate in the province, territory or country in which they practice.

#### Award Funding

Complimentary CACCN membership for life  
Commemorative Award  
Funding/Travel to the Dynamics of Critical Care™ Conference  
Dynamics of Critical Care™ Conference One Day Tuition (day of award ceremony)\*  
Travel expenses of up to \$500\*  
Hotel accommodation for two (2) nights at the conference host hotel\*  
\* Tuition, travel, and hotel accommodation must be used in the year the award is presented

#### Deadline

June 1

#### Overall Award Criteria

Refer to the CACCN Overall Award Criteria

#### Award Specific Criteria

Applicants considered for the Life Member Award must meet the following criteria:

1. Member of CACCN for a minimum of ten (10) consecutive years
2. Retired members may be considered if they have met the minimum membership term.

## **Award Specific Criteria (cont.)**

3. Must currently be or must have contributed to the CACCN and critical care nursing in a minimum of four or more of the following ways:
  - a) practices to the CACCN Standards of Critical Care Nursing Practice;
  - b) holds a leadership role with the Association, through the National Board of Directors, Chapter executive, National Committees, and/or project work;
  - c) provides leadership in direct patient care practice, education, research, and advocacy with a focus on critical care;
  - d) advocates for the practice of critical care nursing at the regional, provincial, or national level.
  - e) contributes to the advancement of the science of critical care nursing via evidence generation, education, or quality assurance activities on behalf of the Association at the local, regional, and national levels;
  - f) acts as a resource and/or expert in a domain of critical care nursing (practice, education, research, and leadership).

## **Award Submission Process**

1. Suggested candidates must meet the award criteria to be considered;
2. Any active CACCN Member, including national Board members, may suggest and support a candidate for lifetime membership by:
  - a. completing the online submission form or
  - b. sending an email to the Chair, Partner relations at [vicepresident@caccn.ca](mailto:vicepresident@caccn.ca) and National Office at [caccn@caccn.ca](mailto:caccn@caccn.ca) detailing how the candidate meets the above noted criteria.

## **Selection Process**

1. Each candidate will be reviewed by the Chair, Partner Relations Committee and a minimum of two members of the CACCN Board of Directors.
2. The Chair, Partner Relations Committee will notify the successful candidate via email and regular mail;
3. The successful candidate will be recognized at the Awards Ceremony at the Dynamics of Critical Care Conference™ (annually in September);
4. The successful candidate's name and photograph will be published;

## Award Presentation

1. The award will be presented in person when possible;
2. If the recipient is not in attendance at Dynamics, a Board Member or Chapter President will present the award in person;
3. In circumstances where a personal presentation is not possible, the COO shall forward the award to the recipient in a timely manner following the Awards Ceremony.

### **Questions?**

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