



The Canadian Association of Critical Care Nurses

The Spacelabs Innovative Project Award Award Criteria

Award Information

This award or awards will be presented to a group of critical care nurses who develop a project that will enhance their professional development.

Award Funding

First Place Recipient: \$ 1000.00

Second Place Recipient: \$ 500.00

A discretionary decision by the review committee may be made, for the award to be divided between two (2) equally deserving submissions for the sum of \$750.00 each.

Deadline

June 1

Overall Award Criteria

Nominees and applicants must:

1. be a **current/active** member of the Canadian Association of Critical Care Nurses (CACCN) for a **minimum of one (1) year prior to the application/nomination** for all awards, bursaries, grants.
2. Exceptions to the membership criteria are:
 - a. Brenda Morgan Leadership Excellence Award – member, for a **minimum of five (5)** consecutive years and.
 - b. Life Member Award – member, for a **minimum of ten (10)** consecutive years.
3. be licensed to practice nursing in Canada.

4. complete the application/nomination via the online award, bursary, and grant submission system.
5. provide signed applications and/or nomination letters (physical or electronic signatures accepted), where required.
6. provide contact information for applicants, nominees and those providing character references, chapter and/or national involvement, to verify authenticity, where required.

Award Specific Criteria

1. The application must clearly outline the following information:
 - a. the number of nurses who will benefit from the project
 - b. the uniqueness of the project
 - c. the relevance to critical care nursing
 - d. consistency with current research/evidence
 - e. ethics
 - f. feasibility
 - g. timeliness
 - h. impact on quality improvement.
2. Previous recipients of this award must allow a one-year lapse before submitting again.
3. Within one (1) year of the completion date consideration given to one of the following to disseminate the findings of the project:
 - a. submitted as a manuscript in accordance with the author guidelines to the CACCN Canadian Journal of Critical Care Nursing™ for review and publication; **or**
 - b. submitted as an abstract presentation in accordance with the abstract guidelines to the CACCN Canadian Critical Care Nursing Conference; **or**
 - c. submitted as a request to hold a one (1) hour educational event for CACCN members (webinar or journal club).
4. All publications and presentations arising from the research study / project must acknowledge CACCN's contribution.

Award Submission Process

1. Online submission at www.caccn.ca;
2. Incomplete nomination packages and packages received after the deadline will not be considered.

Selection Process

1. Applications will be blind reviewed by the Award Review Committee.
2. Applicants with the highest rubric score will be the recipients of the award.
3. Applicants will be notified of the application results via email and regular mail.
4. Applicants must acknowledge receipt of the award within three (3) months of notification. Failure to do so may result in the grant being awarded to the second-place applicant based on rubric scoring.
5. The applications and scoring will be submitted to Spacelabs Healthcare for consideration and final approval.
6. Applicants will be recognized in the CACCN Critical Connections Bulletin, the Annual Report and at the Awards Ceremony at the Canadian Critical Care Nursing Conference.

Questions?

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