



The Canadian Association of Critical Care Nurses

BBraun Sharing Expertise **Award** Criteria

Award Information

The “**Sharing Expertise™**” Award is a peer-nominated award is presented to an individual who exhibits stellar leadership and mentoring abilities in the specialty of critical care.

Applicants may be nominated or may self-identify.

The nominee/applicant for this award is an individual who ideally is or has been:

1. a preceptor for students in a registered nursing program or registered nurses enrolled in a critical care certificate program.
2. a mentor for registered nurses and other nursing colleagues in the critical care setting.
3. an advocate for their patients and their families.
and
4. a champion of/for their nursing colleagues by supporting, encouraging, and sharing their nursing expertise.

The nominee/applicant must demonstrate a strong commitment to the practice of critical care nursing and the nursing profession.

These qualities shall be demonstrated by continuous learning, professional involvement, and a commitment to guiding novice to senior registered nurse (RN) colleagues in critical care.

Registered nurses (RNs) in all aspects of critical care, including patient care providers, educators, Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS), may qualify for this award.

Award Funding

Canadian Critical Care Nursing Conference
Member Early Bird Tuition

Travel Expense
(up to \$ 600)

Hotel Accommodations X 3 nights
(up to \$ 850)

Deadline

June 1

Overall Award Criteria

Refer to the CACCN Overall Award Criteria

Award Specific Criteria

The nominee for the “Sharing Expertise™” Award must:

1. meet the CACCN Overall Award Criteria.
2. have a minimum of five (5) years of critical care nursing experience.
3. practice to the CACCN Standards of Critical Care Nursing Practice (6th Ed 2024). preference will be given to a nominee who holds Canadian Nurses Association Specialty Nursing Certification [CNCC(C) or CNCCP(C)].
4. has not been the recipient of this award in the past three years.

The successful candidate will be requested to attend the CACCN Awards Ceremony and to meet with BBraun representatives in the exhibit hall for photographs at the conference.

Award Submission Process

Each application must be accompanied by the following:

1. One letter of support written and signed by a critical care nursing colleague who holds an active* CACCN membership, in good standing.
2. One letter of support written and signed by a critical care unit supervisor, unit manager, team leader, clinical educator, or physician partner.
3. The letters must each provide a minimum of three (3) concrete examples supporting why the applicant / nominee should be considered for the award.
4. Nomination letters may include a maximum of **one** similar/identical example supporting the applicant/nominee (i.e., nomination letters cannot be identical in nature)
5. Information should include, but is not limited to the applicant’s involvement in:
 - a. Preceptorship.
 - b. Practicing to the CACCN Standards of Critical Care Nursing Practice (6th Ed. 2024).
 - c. Mentoring, supporting, encouraging, sharing and teaching registered nursing colleagues.
 - d. Engagement in continuous learning activities (does not need to be a formal educational program).
 - e. Demonstrated professional involvement advocating for patients and their families
 - f. Supporting, encouraging, and sharing their critical care expertise.

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- g. A strong commitment to the practice of critical care nursing, continuous learning, professional development and the nursing profession.

6. Online submission at www.caccn.ca.

7. Incomplete packages, those not meeting the overall, award specific criteria and packages received via email will not be considered.

**Active CACCN Member: Registered nurse working in critical care.*

Selection Process

1. Applications will be reviewed by an Award Review Committee consisting of not less than three (3) and no more than five (5) active CACCN Members.
2. The CACCN Board of Directors will notify the successful applicants via email and/or regular mail.
3. The successful nominee will be recognized at the Awards Ceremony at the Canadian Critical Care Nursing Conference (annually in the Fall).

Additional Information

The successful candidate will receive the following to attend the next **Canadian Critical Care Nursing Conference** (in the year in which the award is bestowed):

1. Full Early Bird Conference Tuition.
2. Travel Allowance up to a maximum of \$ 600.00.
3. Accommodation Allowance up to a maximum of \$ 850.00.

Travel: The recipient will book their own travel and will provide receipt of payment for reimbursement. If travelling by car, the CACCN Expense Policy for mileage reimbursement will be in place.

Accommodation: The CACCN will arrange accommodation at the conference host hotel. Should the recipient wish to book alternate accommodations – the member will pay for accommodation and provide a receipt of payment.

Questions?

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