

Admittance as Fellow to ACNN membership

Policy P14

Purpose

The title of 'Fellow' is used to designate privileged members of the Australian College of Neonatal Nurses. It is awarded in recognition of a member's achievements and contributions to the neonatal nursing profession by their commitment, significant body of work and leadership.

Candidates

The candidate must be a current ACNN financial or honorary member and have held membership for more than 5 continuous years. Candidates may be nominated by the Executive or a subcommittee (Branches and Special Interest Groups). Nominations and selection may occur at any time and will be formally awarded at the ACNN National Conference.

A written letter of nomination should include details on how the candidate has achieved the following:

- Raised the profile of neonatal nurses and extended the good name of the profession
- Made academic contributions to the profession of neonatal nursing in Australia and/or internationally pertaining to clinical practice, education, research, management, or policy

Additional supporting evidence such as publications as first or second author, grantsmanship, implementation of change management, or recognition of excellence by other professional bodies is encouraged to strengthen the nomination.

Process

Candidates may be identified by an individual or a group of individuals serving on the Executive or a subcommittee. The nominators discuss the potential candidate at a committee meeting and if consensus is reached, a written letter of nomination and supporting documentation is emailed to the Executive Secretary at secretary@acnn.org.au.

Nominations will be reviewed by an assessment panel appointed by the Executive. The panel will make a recommendation to the Executive and if a nominee is successful by unanimous agreement, the Executive shall award membership as a Fellow of ACNN.

Membership as Fellow of ACNN commences from the date granted until resignation from ACNN, and carries the right to use the post nominal FACNN for the duration of membership. Membership as a Fellow includes complimentary membership, and all the rights, entitlements and obligations of a full member.

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