



# Clinical Partnership Award

## PURPOSE

Recognizes and honors clinical facilities or nursing units that have demonstrated commitment in promoting quality in health care, promoting professional nursing as demonstrated by the development of nurse leaders, and has shown excellence in health care outcomes.

One award will be presented in each of the following five (5) categories:

- Academic Health or Medical Center
- Large Hospital *more than 200 beds*
- Small Hospital *fewer than 200 beds*
- Long-Term Care Facility
- Primary or Community Facility *including but not limited to outpatient/ambulatory care settings*

## ELIGIBILITY

Any primary or acute care facility, system, or independent unit within such a facility, is eligible to apply for and receive this award.

## CRITERIA

- Positive influence in quality health care and profession of nursing demonstrated by evidence-based performance improvement project(s) with dissemination to one or both of the following:
  - Abstract presented (oral or poster) at regional, national or international professional organization or meeting
  - Publication in a professional journal with a nurse as primary or co-author
- Development of nursing leaders and collegial professional relationships, as evidenced by one or more of the following:
  - Nurse leadership development program, to include mentoring, coaching and support for advancement in career pathway
  - Career ladder program for clinical nurses
  - Teamwork exemplar identifying a positive change in patient safety or workforce issue
- Excellence in health care, as demonstrated by one or more of the following:
  - Utilizing transformational leadership characteristics among members of the team that have resulted in positive patient outcomes
  - Serving as a change agent for groundbreaking, innovative project(s)
  - Establishing stakeholder support and proven ability to lead others (e.g., demonstrations of success with a shared governance model)
  - Has demonstrated a commitment to the mission of STTI, relationship with and support of STTI and/or STTI members.

## SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

*Supporting documents required below must address the criteria. A complete online nomination consists of:*

- Online entry form and payment
- Supporting narrative (1-2 pages)
- Three (3) letters of support (one from the unit or facility administration)
- [Supporting documentation](#) that provides direct evidence of contribution including but not limited to testimonials, reports, pictures, etc. (not to exceed 10 pages)
- Letter of acceptance

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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**Call for Entries opens**  
1 November 2012

**Deadline**  
1 March 2013

**Entry fee**  
US \$50

The fee structure for nominations outside the U.S. will be set according to World Bank classifications based on per capita income designated as low, middle and high.

### **Submission guidelines**

Award entries must be submitted via the online submission system. Instructions are available at [www.nursingsociety.org/awards](http://www.nursingsociety.org/awards).

### **Judging**

Qualified judging panels representing strong talent and expertise are appointed.

### **Notification**

Award recipients will be notified by e-mail by 1 July 2013.

### **Presentation**

The Clinical Partnership Award presentation sponsor is [Wolters Kluwer Health, Lippincott Williams & Wilkins](#). All awards will be presented at STTI's 42nd Biennial Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA, 16-20 November.

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