



WFCCN HONORARY AMBASSADORS

From time to time, the WFCCN recognises critical care nurses who have made an outstanding contribution to critical care nursing by awarding the title of Honorary Ambassador.

Appointments are for four years duration. Ambassadors are expected to contribute actively to undertakings aligned with the objectives of WFCCN and provide a written annual report of their contributions.

Nominations (see below) are accepted at any time, and should be forwarded to the WFCCN Secretary for consideration by the WFCCN Board of Directors.

Benefits

Honorary Ambassadors receive all benefits of associate membership as described by the WFCCN Declaration of Sydney but do not pay dues. These benefits include the following honours:

- Use the title WFCCN Ambassador (4 year position)
- Eligible to serve as a director on the WFCCN Board
- Official letter, WFCCN Ambassador medal of recognition awarded at an appropriate award ceremony or in absentia
- All entitlements and responsibilities (including termination process if necessary) of an Associate Member of WFCCN as described in the constitution (i.e. non-voting)
- Receive notice and participate in annual meetings of WFCCN
- Receive notice of WFCCN events and activities in which the Ambassador may participate as speaker and/or participant
- Listed in the directory of WFCCN Ambassadors on the WFCCN website and in the WFCCN biannual report
- Contribute to proposals, initiatives, recommendations to meetings of the WFCCN Board for consideration and implementation
- Lead and/or participate in special projects and committees of the WFCCN.
- Appointments are for four years pending receipt of a satisfactory written report from the Ambassador each year.
- The nominee will receive an official letter approving or not approving the application.
- The title and wearing of an official badge is only to be used during the 4-year approval period.

Criteria

Nominees must show evidence of outstanding contributions to critical care nursing at an international level (see nomination process below).

Nomination Process

The potential Honorary Ambassador must be nominated by a current Member or Associate Member of WFCCN. An application package for the nomination should be submitted to the WFCCN Secretary for subsequent consideration by the WFCCN Board.

The nomination package should contain the following:

- Nomination Form (available via WFCCN website)
- Sponsor Form (available via WFCCN website)
- Summarized curriculum vitae (maximum 6 pages)
- Written statement by the nominee outlining how they have met and will continue to meet the criteria for this award (maximum 4 pages)
- Completed sponsor statements from two other sponsors knowledgeable of the nominee's contributions to critical care nursing. (At least one sponsor should be from a different country.)

Nominator Guide to Application Writing

The nomination should demonstrate the following:

- The nominee is in good standing with the relevant critical care nursing association(s) in their country of residence
- Evidence of the nominee's outstanding contributions to critical care nursing over an extended period of time and above that required of one's position of employment. This may include:
 - Contribution to leadership, knowledge and excellence in critical care nursing
 - Successful implementation of creative approaches to clinical practice, education, research, management and policy
 - Creative development, utilization, or evaluation of specific concepts in education, practice or health service
 - Extraordinary leadership in critical care nursing health systems or nursing/healthcare organizations
 - Innovative research that contributes to quality in critical care nursing
 - Authorship of books, papers, or other materials that have significant implications for critical care nursing
 - Commitment to provide an annual written report of activities and contributions that meet the objectives of WFCCN.
- Evidence of the nominee's potential to continue contributions to critical care nursing and the WFCCN over the four years of appointment. This may include:
 - Contribution to proposals, initiatives, recommendations to meetings of the WFCCN Board for consideration and implementation
 - Leading and/or participating in special projects and committees of the WFCCN

- Participating in WFCCN events and activities in which the Ambassador may participate as a speaker and/or participant
- Leading activities that reflect a broad perspective of nursing's commitment to society
- Participating in nursing and other organizations at national or international level
- Contributing to activities that address the mission of the WFCCN.

Decision Making Process

The WFCCN Board will consider the total application of the nominee including confidential written statements by two sponsors. The Board decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

Deadline for Application

Nominations may be submitted at any time however it may take several months for a decision to be made. The nominator will be informed in writing of the decision of the WFCCN Board.

How to Submit the Application Package

All materials should be submitted electronically to the Secretary of the WFCCN by email at info@wfccn.org