

APGNN Excellence in Education Award
Recognizing Educational Programs of Distinction

Application Requirements

Purpose: To honor, recognize and promote excellence in pediatric GI nursing educational activities that improve patient care. This will in turn help APGNN achieve its objective to be the recognized leaders in GI nursing and family education by members, physicians, nurses, and healthcare consumers.

Eligibility: Any APGNN member or other pediatric gastroenterology nurse who has designed and implemented an educational activity (patient/family, peer, or community) that addressed an unmet need may apply. The project may be an individual or collaborative effort where the applicant has held a leadership role or been an integral part of the endeavor.

Award: The winner will be invited to present his/her award-winning program at the APGNN Annual Conference. Funding will be provided for conference expenses: up to \$600 for travel, 2 nights hotel stay at conference rate, and complementary APGNN registration. Details about the awards submitted may be featured on the APGNN newsletter/website.

Coaching: Board members, exclusive of the judging panel, will be available to help identify and coach applicants through the process. The primary coach will be the APGNN Patient Education Committee Chair, Amy Painter who you may contact at amy.painter@gmail.com.

Application Submission:

Applications are due on: August 1

Applications (as pdfs) or application questions should be submitted to the APGNN Patient Education Committee Chair, Amy Painter at amy.painter@gmail.com.

Applications will then be blinded and coded before being sent to the judging panel. Please type your application in Word. To save as a PDF go to File: Save As and change the format to .pdf.

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Judging Criteria:

Each application will be evaluated blindly by a panel of judges comprised of the APGNN Clinical Practice Chair, APGNN President, APGNN President Elect, a Nurse Educator, and a Physician.

A point system will be utilized to determine the rankings.

1. A specific need was identified and well-characterized using current references and objective criteria (20 points)
2. Innovative impact factor of the project. By innovative we mean addressing an old need in a new way or new need that was previously not addressed (20 points)
3. Were outcome(s) measurable, met, and relevant to the need? If they were not met, then were 2-3 learning lessons described? (20 points)
4. Is the educational program reproducible, widely applicable? (20 points)
5. Was the project based on current, evidence-based research and clearly cited? (20 points)

Nomination Information

You may nominate someone for this award, but we will have to contact them to complete the full application. If you wish to nominate someone, please email the following information to the APGNN Patient Education Committee Chair Amy Painter at amy.painter@gmail.com

- **Your name:**
- **Your e-mail address:**
- **Who you are nominating:**
- **Their phone number and email address:**
- **Why you are nominating them:**

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Applicant Information

- **Applicant:**
- **Applicant's E-mail Address:**
- **Applicant's Work Address:**

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Project Information

1. Project Title

2. Project Objective(s)

Describe the purpose of the project using 1-3 measurable objective(s). These should state who is involved, what is/are the desired outcome(s), how progress is measured, proficiency level, and when will the outcome occur. For example: By December 2013, tobacco use will decrease to 10% of patients seen as reported on a survey.

3. Need Description

Give a brief description of the need this project was intended on meeting and the audience of the project. Please describe the need with current references and quantitative criteria.

4. Project Description

Give a brief description/summary of the project. In particular, please address how the project was innovative (met an old need in a new way or a new need) and how it is reproducible or applicable to other APGNN members.

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5. Outcomes/Lessons Learned

Describe the outcome(s) measured and obtained resulting from implementation of the project. If the outcome(s) were measured and not met then please state 2-3 learning lessons. A learning lesson is what you would do next time so that outcomes would be met.

6. References

Please cite scholarly references in APA format. Most references should be current within the last 5 years.

7. Other...

Describe anything else related to the project that would be important for the committee to know. Please attach handouts, brochures, flyers, pictures, etc if available.