

## **APGNN Excellence in Education Award Recognizing Education Programs of Distinction**

Questions should be referred to the APGNN Patient Education Committee Chair

### **Application Requirements:**

#### **Deadline: August 1**

**Purpose:** To honor, recognize and promote excellence in pediatric GI nursing educational activities that improve patient care and provide educational ideas/templates for use with colleagues at APGNN and NASPGHAN. 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.

**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 \$500 for travel, 2 nights hotel stay at conference rate, and complimentary APGNN conference registration. Details about the awards and the awards submitted will be features in the APGNN newsletter and website as well as presented to members or the public for dissemination and use.

**Eligibility:** Any APGNN member or other pediatric gastroenterology nurse who has designed and implemented an educational activity (patient/family, peer, or community) that addresses 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.

**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

### **Application Submission:**

#### **Deadline: August 1**

Applications (in pdf format) should be submitted to the APGNN Patient Education Committee Chair (**Elizabeth Burch**; [Elizabeth.Burch@childrens.harvard.edu](mailto:Elizabeth.Burch@childrens.harvard.edu) ). Applicants will then be blinded 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

#### **Judging Criteria:**

Each application will be evaluated by a panel of judges comprised of the APGNN Clinical Practice Chair, APGNN President, APGNN President Elect, a Nurse Educator, and a Physician. Applications will be blinded (will not be identified to the judging panel)

#### **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. Innovation is defined as addressing an old need in a new way or new need that was previously not addressed (20 points)
3. Were outcomes measurable, met and relevant to the need? If they were not met, 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? (20points)

**Nomination Form:**

You may nominate someone for this award, but they will be required to complete the full application. If you wish to nominate someone, please email the following information to the APGNN Patient Education Committee Chair

- Your name
- Your email address
- Who are you nominating
- Nominee's phone number and email address
- Why are you nominating them