



APGNN Excellence in Education Award

Recognizing Education Programs of Distinction:

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 program at the APGNN Annual Conference. Funding will be provided for conference expenses and includes up to \$500 for travel, 2 nights hotel stay at conference rate, and complimentary APGNN conference registration. Details about the educational project will be featured in the APGNN newsletter, website, and will be presented to APGNN members and/or the public for dissemination and use.

Eligibility: Any APGNN member or other pediatric gastroenterology nurse/nurse practitioner 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, independent of the judging panel, will be available to help identify and coach applicants through the process. The primary coach will be the APGNN Patient & Family Education Committee Chair.

Application Submission:

Deadline: August 1, 2018

Submission: Applications should be submitted in PDF format to the APGNN Patient & Family Education Committee Chair (Elizabeth Burch: elizabeth.burch@childrens.harvard.edu).

Application: Please describe the following regarding your project:

1. What unmet educational need does your project address?
2. How is your project innovative?
3. What were the outcomes of your project? What lessons were learned throughout the process, such as feedback received for future improvements?
4. Is the project able to be reproduced and widely applicable?
5. Please identify evidence-based resources used to help develop and implement your project.



Judging Criteria:

Each application will be evaluated by a panel of judges comprised of the APGNN President, APGNN President Elect, APGNN Clinical Practice Chair, a nurse educator, and a physician. All applications will be blinded (will not be identified to the judging panel). A point system will be utilized to determine the rankings:

1. Needs Assessment: A specific, well-characterized need was identified using current references and objective criteria (20 points)
2. Project Innovation: Innovation is defined as addressing an old need in a new way or new need that was previously not addressed (20 points)
3. Outcomes: Outcomes were measurable, met, and relevant to the identified need. If outcomes were not met, reflection / learning lessons for the future were discussed (20 points)
4. Impact: The educational program is reproducible and widely applicable (20 points)
5. Evidenced-Based: The project was based on current, evidence-based research and clearly cited(20points)

Nominations:

You may nominate someone for this award, however nominees will be required to complete the application. If you wish to nominate someone, please email the following information to the APGNN Patient & Family Education Committee Chair (elizabeth.burch@childrens.harvard.edu):

- Your name
- Your email address
- Name of nominee
- Nominee's phone number and email address
- Reason for nomination

Questions:

Please contact the Patient & Family Education Committee Chair, Elizabeth Burch, should you have any questions. She can be reached via email at elizabeth.burch@childrens.harvard.edu