2016 EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP AWARD

The EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP AWARD honours a CAPWHN member who, throughout their nursing career, has demonstrated excellence in leadership in the care of women, newborns and families. This leadership has influenced others towards the highest standards of care, be it through clinical practice, education, research, community service, and/or professional advocacy.

Eligibility Criteria:

- 1. The candidate is a registered nurse, licensed in Canada.
- 2. The candidate is currently practicing in a role with a primary focus in women's health, perinatal or neonatal nursing.
- 3. The candidate is a full nurse member (in good standing) of CAPWHN in the year of nomination.

Selection Criteria:

A nurse who demonstrates throughout their career, a pattern of individual contributions to promote the health of women, newborns and/or families on the local, provincial and/or national levels. A nurse who exemplifies throughout their career the ability to establish collaborative relationships with students, patients, families and interprofessional team members and thereby participates in the advancement of nursing and the health of women, newborns and families. The selected nurse must:

- 1. Demonstrate excellence in leadership through direct clinical practice, teaching, research, administrative activities, or in the field of public policy.
- 2. Actively influence nursing colleagues and inter-professional team members to enhance the quality of care for women and newborns through innovative, evidence-based and family-centered approaches.
- 3. Demonstrate leadership in achieving the mission and standards of CAPWHN through role-modelling, mentoring and coaching others in practice, education, research and/or administrative settings.
- 4. Demonstrate the ability and willingness to challenge and debate the status quo when CAPWHN standards of care are perceived to be compromised, particularly as they relate to institutional and public policy issues in Canada.
- 5. Actively share their expertise with nursing colleagues through such opportunities as providing continuing education, presenting at national and international meetings, publishing in professional journals, and in day-to-day professional activities.

Nomination Process:

- 1. The candidate must be nominated by a current CAPWHN member.
- 2. A letter of nomination must specifically address the Selection Criteria as they apply to the nominee.
- 3. The nomination letter must be accompanied with a current Curriculum Vitae of the nominee (if selected the Excellence in Leadership recipient will be required to provide a photograph for publicity).

The nurse selected as the CAPWHN 2016 Excellence in Leadership Award Recipient will:

- 1. Be acknowledged at the CAPWHN National Conference (October 21-23, 2016, Calgary, Alberta).
- 2. Receive a free 12 month CAPWHN membership.
- 3. Have a letter of recognition sent to their employer.
- 4. Receive formal recognition in the CAPWHN Newsletter.
- 5. Receive formal recognition on the CAPWHN website www.capwhn.ca

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS – July 29, 2016

Please send nominations to: Chair, CAPWHN Nominations Committee email: <u>admin@capwhn.ca</u> fax: 613-730-4314 or mail to CAPWHN, 780 Echo Dr, Ottawa ON K1S 5R7