



## Affiliate Achievement Award

### Description of Award:

The AONL Affiliate Achievement Award recognizes an AONL Affiliate that promotes nursing leadership and its influence in the areas of the advancement of nursing practice, patient safety, quality, recruitment and retention, or another priority initiative for that particular state/region, and can serve as a model for other states or regions with similar interests.

**Eligibility Criteria:** The nominee must be an AONL Affiliate. Members of the AONL Board of Directors, staff and awards committee are not eligible to nominate an affiliate.

### Nomination Process:

Any AONL member or nonmember may nominate a candidate for the award by submitting a by submitting a [form](#) with supporting documentation for the submission criteria.

- Description summarizing the affiliate's qualifications with respect to the award criteria listed in the application. (1000 word maximum).
- Letter of Recommendation demonstrating the affiliate's qualifications (e.g. a letter from member, fellow coalition member, etc.).
- Supporting materials demonstrating affiliate's work such as an overview of a program, additional letters of recommendation, articles, etc.

### Peer Review and Selection Process:

The AONL Awards committee selects the winner by scoring applications using the submission criteria:

1. Demonstrates promotion and expertise in nursing practice.
2. Demonstrates effectiveness in improving patient safety and delivering quality nursing care.
3. Demonstrates the effective use of evidence-based practice to enhance or improve health care outcomes.
4. Collaborates effectively with other health care colleagues as evidenced through recruitment and retention successes.
5. Develops and implements strategies to improve nursing professional contributions to public policy.
6. Promotes the image of nursing and the nursing profession within the community.