

AONL Fellow Designation (FAONL)

Charter

The FAONL Committee establishes and guides standards and processes for the recognition of exemplary nurse leaders who have made significant and sustained contributions to the specialty of nursing leadership and to AONL through the FAONL credential. The Committee provides recommendations for FAONL recipients to the Board of Directors for final approval.



AONL Strategic Alignment

Priority Objective

Priority #3 – Advancing Nursing Leadership Develop resources that prepare leadership career pathways for today and tomorrow

The FAONL designation is a credential that nurse leaders can use to demonstrate their contributions to the profession over the course of a career journey.



Stakeholders

FAONL selection committee and chairs (AONL members appointed annually).
Potential future fellows.
Current fellows.
AONL board of directors.



Meeting Cadence

The meeting cadence is developed each year in correlation with the selection process timeline. There is one meeting in April followed by monthly meetings September through December.



Deliverables

Deliverable	Target Date
Prepare multimedia educational materials for potential applicants	7/31/2025
FAONL applications open	5/1/2025
Application reviews	October 2025
A list of recommended fellows are presented to AONL board	11/3/2025
Notifications sent to applicants & press release	12/31/2025