

# St. Luke's Foundation Patient Care Excellence Award Program

## 2018 Awards Application



2017 CARE Service Award Recipient Sydney Fortney with Michelle Nierman and Carmen Kleinsmith



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## THE AWARDS

St. Luke's Foundation's Patient Care Excellence Award Program recognizes healthcare providers who demonstrate outstanding achievement in their chosen field. Funding for these awards are provided through individuals who have established a fund at the Foundation.

Their generosity allows employees an opportunity to enhance their knowledge and advance their clinical abilities. Funding may be used for:

- State, regional, or national conferences, which can be used with St. Luke's Bridges to Excellence Program
- Webinars
- Continuing Education Classes (CEUs)
- College Tuition
- College Books
- Books or publications related to field of work
- Donor Specific Request
- Specific department need/request if approved by department manager, foundation and donor

## CRITERIA

- Be employed in an eligible St. Luke's Hospital-based department.
- Be scheduled at least 32 hours per pay period in a St. Luke's Hospital based department.
- Award candidate is considered to "exceed" or be a "role model" in their most recent Annual Performance Assessment.
- Be nominated by a peer, manager, director or physician.
- Complete the attached application requirements.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

- Be nominated by your peers or manager as a candidate for a ***Patient Care Excellence Award***.
- To be eligible for an Award, you must complete the attached Award Application and essay and return it to St. Luke's Foundation.
- The ***Patient Care Excellence Award Program*** Selection Committee reviews each nominee's Award Application and Nomination Form.
- The ***Patient Care Excellence Award Recipients*** will be recognized during the ***Patient Care Excellence & Scholarship Awards Ceremony*** held during National Hospital Week/National Nurses Week.

**Mail the original completed application to:**

St. Luke's Foundation  
Patient Care Excellence Award Program  
855 A Avenue NE, Suite 105  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52402

St. Luke's Foundation is located in the Medical Office Plaza at 855 A Avenue NE, Suite 105.  
Applications may be mailed via U.S. Post Office, hand-delivered or via inter-office mail.

The Nomination Form completed by your manager (or designated person) will be attached to your application by the Foundation.

Questions regarding the application and selection process should be directed to:

Tonya Arnold  
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(319) 369-7572



**PROGRAM TYPE**

Indicate the Award Program in which you have been nominated for:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> C.A.R.E. Service Award                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Outstanding New Graduate Award      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excellence in Behavioral Health Award - MH Award         | <input type="checkbox"/> Ron Mahany Award - Unlicensed Staff |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excellence in Behavioral Health Award - BH Support Staff |  |

**APPLICANT INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)**

NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL)			
DATE OF HIRE AT ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL		CURRENT JOB TITLE	
CURRENT DEPARTMENT			
PERMANENT MAILING ADDRESS		CITY	STATE
E-MAIL ADDRESS		PHONE NUMBER	
ZIP			

**EDUCATION**

DEGREE REQUIRED FOR YOUR CURRENT POSITION		
COLLEGE ATTENDED AND LOCATION	DEGREE OBTAINED	GRADUATION DATE
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**PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE**

ORGANIZATION	
DEPARTMENT	MANAGER
JOB TITLE	START DATE/END DATE

## PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE (cont.)

ORGANIZATION		
DEPARTMENT	MANAGER	
JOB TITLE	START DATE/END DATE	
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DEPARTMENT	MANAGER	
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## COMMITTEE INVOLVEMENT

Please define your role/involvement, projects completed and how often you meet. **DO NOT USE ACRONYMS.**  
**Unit/Department** (Example: Unit Practice Council, SuperUser, NICU Evidence Based Practice Committee)

## LEADERSHIP ROLES

Please define your role/involvement and **DO NOT USE ACRONYMS.**  
(Examples: Charge Nurse, Preceptor for New Nurses, Students, BCLS Instructor, CPI Instructor)

## VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

Please list your volunteer activities (Examples: churches, schools, community organizations, etc). Indicate your level of participation with each activity listed. **DO NOT USE ACRONYMS.**

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Please list the professional organizations and/or memberships you belong to (Examples: Association of Critical Care Nurses; Indicate your level of participation with each organization. DO NOT USE ACRONYMS.

## ESSAY QUESTION

St. Luke's Patient Care Excellence Award Program was established by several supporters of St. Luke's Hospital. These individuals generously donated funds to the Foundation so a caregiver would be given financial assistance to use for educational purposes or any other intent of the donor.

An example is Dr. Stephen and Peg Vanourny. They created an award to recognize a St. Luke's nurse who contributes significantly to the care and treatment of obstetrical or gynecological patients. Dr. Vanourny was a founding physician for OB-GYN & Associates. He also served as the Hospital's President and CEO from 1996 to 2002 and was instrumental in the creation of the Helen G. Nassif Center for Women's and Children's Health. The Award Dr. Vanourny and Peg created is a testament to his dedication to his profession and the staff who assisted him in caring for his obstetrical and gynecological patients.

Through these Awards, these individuals have created an opportunity for St. Luke's employees to recognize our peers for their outstanding work while providing financial assistance to further their education and skills.

**Please attach a typewritten statement in one page, stating how you meet the requirements of the Award. If possible, please provide examples on how you fulfill the criteria.**

The Patient Care Excellence Award Selection Committee and often the donors who created the Award read the essays.

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  - Hand-delivered
- Emailed to [tonya.arnold@unitypoint.org](mailto:tonya.arnold@unitypoint.org)