

# History of the Barbara O'Grady Excellence in Public Health Nursing Leadership Award

The Barbara O'Grady Excellence in Public Health Nursing Leadership Award was established in 1991 to recognize and honor public health nurses working in management or education settings in Minnesota for outstanding leadership and contributions to public health. The award is administered by the Local Public Health Association of Minnesota, an organization of public health administrators, public health nursing directors, and environmental health directors that provides leadership and advocacy on behalf of public health issues.

Criteria for nomination are:

- Demonstrates creativity and innovation in one's nursing practice.
- Demonstrates consistent leadership within the work setting and the external community.
- Assures consistent caring and commitment to clients and families, work teams, and the community.
- Demonstrates significant contribution or impact on program development.
- Enhances the positive practice of public health (i.e. advancing knowledge, motivating others and creating a positive environment).
- Impacts staff, students, and peer relating to their learning, practices or development.

Selection criteria include one or more of the following:

- Recognize expertise and leadership in public health nursing.
- Important contributions to advancing improvement in the health status of communities.
- Advocacy for public health nursing.
- Development of innovative programs in public health nursing.
- Collaboration with health, education, social services, or other decision makers and service providers.



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**Barbara O'Grady Excellence in  
Public Health Nursing Leadership Award  
Nomination Form**

<b>Candidate's Name:</b>	<b>Nominator's Name:</b>
Current Position:	Current Position:
Address:	Address:
Daytime Telephone:	Daytime Telephone:
E-mail Address:	E-mail Address:

Please return all materials related to this nomination by **Monday, October 11, 2010**, to:

Julie Ring, Director  
Local Public Health Association  
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St. Paul, MN 55103-2108  
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This award will be presented at the Local Public Health Association Annual Meeting on November 18, 2010.

**Purpose:** To honor and recognize a public health nurse in Minnesota for outstanding leadership and contributions to public health.

**Eligibility:** Public health nurses working in management or education settings.

**Nomination Materials:**

- Please submit the attached nomination form, along with this cover sheet. Please note that the nomination form is **limited to two pages**.
- Letters of support are encouraged to support your nomination. Letters of support should provide additional evidence or examples of the selection criteria listed above. You may submit **up to 5 letters** of support with your nomination.



Candidates Name: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Advocacy for public health nursing (may include at the legislature or with other decision-making bodies).

5. Development of innovative programs in public health nursing.

6. Collaboration with health, education, social services or other decision-makers and service providers to coordinate advocacy and other efforts.