The DAISY FOUNDATION

DNLANCE Toolkit
What is the DAISY Nurse Leader Award for Nursing Clinical Educators (DNLANCE)?

The DAISY Foundation™ was formed in November 1999, by the family of J. Patrick Barnes who died at age 33 of complications of Idiopathic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP). The nursing care Patrick received when hospitalized profoundly touched his family. The DAISY Award recognitions honor the super-human work nurses do for patients and families every day wherever they practice, in whatever role they serve, and throughout their careers – from Nursing Student through Lifetime Achievement in Nursing.

The DAISY Nurse Leader Award for Nursing Clinical Educators, formerly known as the DAISY Nurse Leader Award for Extraordinary Nurse Educators, was established in 2021 in collaboration with the Wisconsin League for Nursing (WLN) and The DAISY Foundation. The WLN expanded collaboration in 2022 to include the Arizona and New Jersey Leagues for Nursing. The purpose of the Award is to recognize exceptional nurses in clinical practice or simulation who exhibit, inspire and nurture compassion and respect amongst peers, mentees, students or colleagues. These nurses directly influence learning in clinical practice/simulation and play a crucial role in the formation of exceptional frontline nurses. In turn, these individuals encourage nurses or nursing students to exhibit acts of compassion and build relationships with patients and families.

Nurses eligible for this Award include those who influence and develop nurses or nursing students at the site of direct or simulated patient care. Eligible nurses include those who are formal educators by title/role and informal educators not defined by their job description or title.

Some examples of eligible formal nurse educators include, but are not limited to:
- Clinical, lab or simulation instructors,
- Staff development specialists, and
- Clinical nurse educators.

Some examples of eligible informal nurse educators include, but are not limited to:
- Preceptors for APRN, RN, LPN/LVN, graduate nurses or pre-licensure nursing students,
- Mentors,
- Nurse colleagues,
- Charge nurses,
- Resource nurses, and
- Clinical leaders.

This Award is for eligible nurses who are completing work at Wisconsin, Arizona, or New Jersey DAISY Partner Institutions.

2021 WLN DAISY Honorees

DONNA GOELZ, MSN, RN
Academic Honoree

SUE HOEFS, BSN, RN, CCRN, FCCS
Clinical Practice Honoree
**What is DNLANCE?**

**RECIPIENT CHARACTERISTICS**

Primary Characteristic (REQUIRED): Fosters a compassionate environment where learners flourish.

Additional Characteristics (recipient demonstrates at least TWO additional characteristics):

- Facilitates spirit of inquiry and lifelong learning.
- Promotes development and advancement of the learner’s professional identity.
- Facilitates learner development, socialization, and interpersonal communication.
- Demonstrates collaborative interprofessional relationships.
- Bridges theoretical concepts to clinical practice and promotes critical thinking and clinical judgment.
- Expert resource using wisdom to demonstrate safe, timely, effective, efficient, equitable, and patient-centered care.

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

- Nominee must foster a compassionate environment where learners flourish and demonstrate two additional characteristics outlined in the Recipient Characteristics.
- Licensed nurse involved in the formation of nurses or nursing students (see examples of formal and informal nurse educator roles in award descriptions).
- Guidance/practice must take place in Wisconsin, Arizona, or New Jersey in a direct and/or simulated patient care setting.
- Current practice in Wisconsin, Arizona, or New Jersey and holds an active unencumbered nursing license.
- Eligible licensed nurses including: Registered Nurse, Advanced Practice Nurse, or Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse.

**LIMITATIONS**

The work that the nominee is being recognized for must have been work completed at a Wisconsin, Arizona, or New Jersey DAISY Partner Institution*.

*The nominee does not need to be an employee of a DAISY Partner Institution in order to be eligible to receive the award, so long as the work they are being recognized for was completed at a Wisconsin, Arizona, or New Jersey DAISY Partner Institution and they meet the eligibility criteria.

**NOMINATION**

Nominations are open!

*Click or Scan Here to learn more about the nominations process.*

Please note that separate submissions are required for each nominee. Nominations are submitted electronically.
FAQs

Can I nominate a nursing faculty member who does not teach in direct patient care or simulation of direct patient care?

No, this person is not eligible for this particular Award.

However, he or she may be eligible for the DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nursing Faculty administered and maintained through the school of nursing. If your nursing school offers the DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nursing Faculty, consider nominating the nursing faculty member for this Award! If your nursing school does not offer this Award, rest assured! The DAISY Foundation is excited to welcome all nursing schools as DAISY Partners!

Can I nominate an APRN or graduate program preceptor for this Award?

Absolutely! So long as the work the preceptor is being recognized for is being completed at a DAISY Partner Institution in the respective state and they meet the Award eligibility criteria.

I want to nominate a nursing clinical instructor but the school of nursing they work for is not a DAISY Partner Institution. Can I still nominate them?

If the work they are being recognized for was completed at a Wisconsin, Arizona, or New Jersey DAISY Partner Institution and they meet the eligibility criteria, then they would be eligible for the Award. For example, if the clinical instructor teaches clinical at a DAISY Partner hospital in Wisconsin, Arizona, or New Jersey and the work they do at this hospital with students, staff and patients is the work they are being recognized for, he or she may still be eligible for this Award.

If the work the potential nominee is being recognized for is not affiliated with any Wisconsin, Arizona, or New Jersey DAISY Partner Institution, then they would not be eligible for this Award.

I want to nominate a nursing clinical instructor for the work they do as a clinical instructor at a non-DAISY Partner Institution. They are a clinical instructor for a DAISY Partner school of nursing in their respective state. Can I nominate this person?

Yes, so long as they meet the remaining eligibility criteria.

What if I want to nominate someone who is not affiliated with a Wisconsin, Arizona, or New Jersey DAISY Partner Institution?

If the potential nominee is not employed by or the work he or she is being recognized for is not at a Wisconsin, Arizona, or New Jersey DAISY Partner Institution, he or she is not eligible for this Award. However, the DAISY Foundation is always excited to welcome new partners! Consider becoming a DAISY Partner Institution today!

Click or Scan to learn more about becoming a DAISY Partner.
What is the difference between this Award and the DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nursing Faculty?

When the WLN developed this Award in collaboration with the DAISY Foundation, the WLN was very attentive to the need to develop an award that is different from the awards the DAISY Foundation already offers.

**IN SUMMARY:** the key difference between this Award and the DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nursing Faculty is that this Award highlights/recognizes clinical practice-based formal and informal nurse educators, mentors and preceptors involved in the formation of nurses or nursing students in direct or simulated patient care settings. We added simulation considering the potential future growth in this area as alternative clinical and practice-based learning.

The group of educators the DAISY Nurse Leader Award for Nursing Clinical Educators targets includes those with formal nurse educator titles (such as clinical instructors, hospital unit-based nurse educators and CNS’s), as well as those in informal roles who do not necessarily have “educator” in their job description, but they are intricately involved in the formation of nurses at the bedside — such as unit preceptors, informal mentors (that person who everyone goes to and sees as a wealth of knowledge and expertise), and APRN preceptors. These are the “boots on the ground” nurse educators who have direct contact with patients and the formation of students or practicing nurses in a clinical setting.

The DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nursing Faculty reaches a broader base of nurse faculty and is offered by schools of nursing, whereas the DAISY Nurse Leader Award for Nursing Clinical Educators focuses on educators at the bedside and bridges academia and clinical practice.

**Multisite Program**

The DAISY Nurse Leader Award for Nursing Clinical Educators is presented by the Wisconsin, Arizona and New Jersey Leagues for Nursing. In 2022, representatives from these National League for Nursing affiliate Constituent Leagues partnered together to expand the outreach of this new DAISY Nurse Leader Award at a national level. Each state is individually considering nominations and selecting honorees from their states.