



# Founders Awards

## Ethel Palmer Clarke Award for Chapter Excellence

### PURPOSE

The Founders Awards offer homage to the six founding nurses of the society and the director of nursing at Indiana University for their insights in 1922 that advanced scholarship, leadership, research, and practice. The awards recognize extraordinary excellence.

### ELIGIBILITY AND NOMINATIONS

The **top five scoring Chapter Key Award submissions** will be considered for the Ethel Palmer Clarke Award for Chapter Excellence (all active chapters of the society in good standing are eligible for Chapter Key Award). Chapters should submit their own name in nomination for the Chapter Key Award. Deadline for Chapter Key Award is 15 July 2017.

The [Chapter Key Award](#), established in 1991, honors chapters who excel in chapter-related activities such as membership recruitment and retention; publicity and programming; professional and leadership development; and local, national, and international collaboration.

### CRITERIA

- For a full listing of the Chapter Key Award criteria, visit [http://www.nursingsociety.org/Awards/Pages/award\\_chp\\_key.aspx](http://www.nursingsociety.org/Awards/Pages/award_chp_key.aspx).
- In addition to scoring high in the Chapter Key Award criteria, chapters must show superior achievement in the following areas:
  - LEADERSHIP**
    - Implements creative chapter activities that achieve the purpose of STTI
    - Recognizes the development of leadership qualities through mentoring, financial support, and programming
    - Fosters high professional standards
  - KNOWLEDGE**
    - Recognizes superior achievement in scholarship, research, practice, and education
    - Strengthens commitment to the ideals and purposes of the profession
    - Sponsors programs that promote scholarship and research
  - SERVICE**
    - Encourages creative work in chapter
    - High percentage of member participation as moderator/speaker/participant in panels, seminars, conferences, and workshops
  - COMMUNITY**
    - Stimulates members and the public to contribute to scholarship in nursing education, practice, and/or research
    - Maintains strong relationship with university, the nursing community, and the public
  - SUSTAINABILITY**
    - Encourages contributions to designated chapter funds for scholarship and research
    - Involves a significant number of members in chapter activities
    - Provides for a range of activities that promote involvement of members
    - Promotes participation through activities such as questionnaires/surveys, letters to the editor of chapter newsletter, and articles for chapter newsletter
    - Maintains high percentage of active membership

### SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A complete Chapter Key Award submission consists of online entry form, payment, and Chapter Key Award worksheet.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

For further information or to make a contribution to fund this award, please contact Adrians Cleveland at +1.317.634.8171 (International), 888.634.7575 (U.S./Canada toll-free), or email [adrians@stti.org](mailto:adrians@stti.org).

### **Notification**

Award recipients will be notified by email by 15 September 2017.

### **Presentation**

All awards will be presented at STTI's 44th Biennial Convention Indianapolis, Indiana, USA, 28 October - 1 November 2017.

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