



Call for Candidates: Distinguished CPEN™ Award

In September 2010, the Board of Certification for Emergency Nurses (BCEN) and the Pediatric Nursing Certification Board (PNCB) will present the first annual Distinguished CPEN Award to one individual who has demonstrated outstanding support for certification in pediatric emergency nursing.

Distinguished CPEN Award

The Distinguished CPEN Award recognizes a CPEN who has promoted the certification process in pediatric emergency nursing. Are you that individual, or do you know a colleague who has shown exemplary support for CPEN certification? Examples of promoting the certification include but are not limited to:

- Assisting others in preparation for the exam (teaching review courses, loaning resources, etc.).
- Providing media releases when a nurse is certified.
- Publishing or contributing to a newsletter that recognizes nurses when they become certified or recertified.
- Educating the public regarding certification through public news media (newspaper, television, etc.).
- Promoting the importance of certification to the employer (e.g. providing copies of articles regarding certification).

Award Criteria:

The candidate must be a Certified Pediatric Emergency Nurse who:

- Has motivated peers to attain certification in pediatric emergency nursing.
- Is knowledgeable regarding issues related to certification.
- Demonstrates the ability to articulate the professional benefits of certification in pediatric emergency nursing.
- Functions as a role model by obtaining and maintaining the CPEN credential.

Individuals who are currently serving on the Board of Directors for BCEN or the PNCB, or who are members of the Examination Committee, are not eligible for this award.

Award Submission:

Self nominations are accepted and encouraged. Please include:

- Name, address, and curriculum vitae.
- Name of the award (CPEN Award).
- Rationale for nomination.
- Names, email addresses, and phone numbers of two individuals that can verify stated activities (self-nominations only).

To nominate someone other than yourself, include your own name, email address, and phone number in place of the contact information for two individuals for verification above.

The nomination must be typed and mailed, faxed, or emailed to the BCEN office (email preferred). The postmark deadline is **July 23, 2010**.

Award Presentation:

The CPEN award will be presented at the BCEN Recognition Breakfast in San Antonio, Texas on Saturday, September 25, 2010 during the ENA Annual Conference. The award recipient will have their transportation to and from San Antonio and one night's lodging paid by BCEN and the PNCB, joint owners of the CPEN exam.

Submit Nominations to:

CPEN Award
BCEN
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Des Plaines, IL 60016
or
Faxed to: (847) 460-2631
Emailed to ldejesus@ena.org

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