

NATIONAL EMERGENCY NURSES ASSOCIATION



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PURPOSE

To recognize those individuals who have given extraordinary contributions to Emergency Nursing and NENA by providing a vehicle for public acknowledgment of their expertise, clinical practice, and service.

To promote a sense of history and continuity within NENA's membership.

GOALS:

- To publicly honour extraordinary service to NENA and Emergency Nurses across Canada.
- To increase member awareness of NENA history.
- To engage members in recognizing pioneers in Canadian Emergency Nursing.

Honourary Lifetime Membership shall be bestowed upon any individual who has displayed a unique interest in emergency nursing and who has demonstrated an outstanding contribution to the National Emergency Nurses Association of Canada or to the advancement of Emergency Nursing as a specialty.

Honourary Lifetime Membership shall confer:

- Free membership to NENA for the life of the recipient or until withdrawal or resignation is requested by the recipient,
 - Provincial membership fees may still be required
- A medallion bearing the NENA logo and citing their status as an Honourary Lifetime Member
- Special recognition in NENA's national publication following the announcement of their honorary status
- Recognition on the NENA website

Selection:

- Any NENA member may nominate a candidate for honorary lifetime membership by submitting a letter of recommendation to the NENA Secretary. The nomination must be received by March 1.
- Recipients must meet the criteria set by the Board of Directors.
- Recipients will be notified of their selection by mail or electronic means prior to public announcements.
- Recipients will be announced at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) each year and where possible, the medallion will be presented in person.
- When presentation at the AGM is not possible, the Provincial Director in which the recipient resides shall attempt to present the award in person.

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- When personal contact is impractical, the Provincial director shall mail the award to the recipient in a timely manner following the announcement.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

- NENA shall bear no financial responsibility for the recipient's accommodations or travel expenses to attend the conference or Annual General Meeting at which they will receive their medallion.
- Honourary Lifetime Membership does not provide membership in any Provincial affiliate organization.
- Honourary Lifetime Members shall be registered on the website under 'Honourary Lifetime Member' and will be responsible to ensure that contact information on the website is maintained for purposes of email contact.

GUIDELINES FOR ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- The nominee served as a member in good standing on either the NENA Board of Directors, one or more of its subcommittees (e.g. National Course Administration Committee, Canadian Triage and Acuity Score National Working Group, etc.) or a Provincial group for more than 1 term.
- They may have served in more than one capacity and the terms may not have been consecutive.
- Made a significant contribution to, or on the behalf of, NENA – e.g. significant role in the roll out of NENA endorsed courses or active promotion of NENA.