American Nurses Association Announces National Award Recipients

SILVER SPRING, MD – The American Nurses Association (ANA) has announced the recipients of its 2014 National Awards, including five registered nurses who will be inducted into ANA’s Hall of Fame and five registered nurses who will receive Honorary Awards. A National Awards ceremony and reception will be held on Thursday, June 12, to honor the recipients at the Washington Hilton in Washington, D.C., prior to the 2014 ANA Membership Assembly.

ANA Hall of Fame Award
ANA established the nursing Hall of Fame in 1976, inducting 15 charter members. Since then, 94 nurses have been inducted, including the five this year. The ANA Hall of Fame award recognizes a lifelong commitment to nursing and the nurses’ impact on the health and/or social history of the United States.

ANA is honored to announce the 2014 Hall of Fame inductees:

- Barbara Thoman Curtis, RN  
  Florida Nurses Association

- Pearl McIver, MS, RN  
  (1893-1976)

- Mary Ellen Patton, RN  
  Ohio Nurses Association

- Robert V. Piemonte, EdD, RN, CAE, FAAAN  
  ANA-New York

- Jessie M. Scott, DSc, RN, FAAN, RADM (1915-2009)

Honorary Awards
The Honorary Awards recipients were nominated by constituent and state nurses associations or ANA’s organizational affiliates, and selected by ANA awards subcommittees.
The five highly accomplished registered nurse leaders will be honored for their outstanding service to the profession in categories ranging from public health to patient advocacy to legislative successes.

The award recipients and organizations that nominated them are:

**Michael L. Evans, PhD, RN, NEA-BC, FACHE, FAAN**  
Texas Nurses Association  
*Luther Christman Award* recognizes the contributions that an individual man in nursing has made to the profession of nursing.

**Barbara Zittel, PhD, RN**  
ANA-New York  
*Barbara Thoman Curtis Award* recognizes significant contributions to nursing practice and health policy through political and legislative activity.

**Vernell P. DeWitty, PhD, RN, MBA, MSN**  
Maryland Nurses Association  
*Mary Mahoney Award* recognizes significant contributions to advancing equal opportunities in nursing for members of minority groups.

**Cheryl A. Krause-Parello, PhD, RN**  
New Jersey State Nurses Association  
*Jessie M. Scott Award* recognizes the demonstration of interdependent relationships among nursing education, practice and research.

**Rebecca M. Patton, MSN, RN, CNOR, FAAN**  
Ohio Nurses Association  
*Distinguished Membership Award* recognizes outstanding leadership and participation in, and contributions to the purposes of ANA.

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**ANA** is the only full-service professional organization representing the interests of the nation's 3.1 million registered nurses through its constituent and state nurses associations and its organizational affiliates. ANA advances the nursing profession by fostering high standards of nursing practice, promoting the rights of nurses in the workplace, projecting a positive and realistic view of nursing, and by lobbying the Congress and regulatory agencies on health care issues affecting nurses and the public.