

# THE PATHWAY AWARD™

The American Nurses Credentialing Center is proud to launch The Pathway Award™, sponsored by Cerner Corporation. The \$10,000 award will honor a project proposal in a Pathway to Excellence® designated organization that demonstrates innovation and technology to create a positive nurse practice environment. The winning project will be consistent with the Pathway to Excellence Practice Standards and will advance the quality of care in the designated organization.

In addition to the \$10,000 purse sponsored by Cerner, travel, hotel, and conference registration expenses for the winners to attend the Annual Pathway Conference will be provided for two years. The winning organization must be able to present their project outcomes at the Pathway to Excellence Conference the year following their award. Winner must agree to send the CEO, CNO, and project lead (expenses paid) to the Pathway to Excellence Conference (May 3-4, 2012) to accept the award. They will receive recognition at the Pathway to Excellence Conference, recognition on the ANCC web site, and an attractive award trophy presented by ANCC.

## Criteria

Submission of an innovative technology project that addresses the following criteria:

- Advances the Pathway to Excellence Practice Standards
- Improves the practice environment
- Addresses transitions of care
- Allocation of the award money

## Eligibility Requirement

The winning organization must be currently Pathway-designated and in good standing through May 2013.

## Decision-Making Process

Applications will be limited to no more than 1,500 typewritten words using the form provided.

Application should include:

- Project Abstract (150 words)
- Description of Project (300 words)
- Project Proposal demonstrating application to criteria (1,000 words)

Applications will be evaluated by a three-member peer-review panel.

The Commission on Pathway to Excellence will determine the winner of the award.

**Please submit the completed application to: [PathwayInfo@ana.org](mailto:PathwayInfo@ana.org) using the subject line: Pathway Award Application.**

**Completed nominations must be received by midnight (EST) on Friday, March 9, 2012.**

# THE PATHWAY AWARD™ NOMINATION FORM

## Pathway Organization Nominated

Official Organization Name

Organization Address

City

State

Zip/Postal

Country

Title of the project being submitted for the ANCC Pathway Award

## Nominator Contact Information

Name

Title

Organization Name

Organization Address

City

State

Zip/Postal

Country

Phone

Email

FAX

Briefly describe nominator relationship with the nominated Pathway to Excellence designated organization

## Signatures

I, the above named nominator, hereby certify that I have read and agree to be bound by the rules of The Pathway Award™. I understand that the prize money will be used to continue, advance, or disseminate the award-winning innovation and that an accounting of its use should be submitted within 12 months of the award. If selected, the CEO, CNO, and project lead agree to attend the Pathway Conference in 2012 to accept the award and to present at the Pathway Conference in 2013.

Nominator Signature

Date

Chief Nurse or CEO Signature

Date

## Project Abstract (150 words maximum)

The Pathway Award™ Nomination Form (required)

**Description of Project** (300 words maximum)

**Project Proposal Demonstrating Application to Criteria** (1000 words maximum)

Describe an innovative technology project proposal using the following guidelines:

- Advances the Pathway to Excellence Practice Standards
- Improves the practice environment
- Addresses transitions of care
- Allocation of the award money