



The NNCC Award for Quality Improvement Project in Nephrology

Description

The Nephrology Nursing Certification Commission (NNCC) has developed this award to recognize an individual or organization participating in a quality improvement project that promotes optimal patient outcomes in nephrology.

Quality improvement is the foundation for improving care delivery and patient outcomes. Nurses, advance practice providers, and technicians are essential stakeholders in improving the process. NNCC believes that applying quality improvement strategies to the care of nephrology patients ultimately leads to safer and better outcomes.

Recipient Selection and Award

The Nephrology Nursing QI Award recipient will be chosen by NNCC in the summer of each year. Arrangements will be made with the recipient organization for the NNCC president or a member of the NNCC Commission to personally present the award in a ceremony held at the recipient organization during Nephrology Nurses' Week in September.

The recipient will receive \$1,000 and an engraved plaque. A poster featuring a picture of the winning individual or organization will be displayed at the NNCC exhibit booth at national meetings. This picture and an announcement of the award recipient will also be posted on the NNCC website, on NNCC social media pages, and in the NNCC newsletter.

Instructions for Submitting an Electronic Nomination

All applications must be submitted **no later than midnight, June 15**, by email to nncc@nncc-exam.org.

Subject line: QI Award

Each application must include the following to be considered complete:

1. Abstract – 250 words. Format: Title, Problem Statement, Background/Project Intent, Methodology, Results, Conclusion
2. Completed application form
3. One letter signed by the facility's administrator **or** medical director confirming the projects and results



Quality Improvement Award Application Form

AT LEAST ONE OF THE INDIVIDUALS SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION MUST BE CURRENTLY CERTIFIED BY NNCC.

Applicant's Name & Credentials	
Job Title:	
Mailing Address	
City, State & Zip	
Daytime Phone	
Email Address	
Organization/Facility Name	
Preferred Mailing Address	<input type="checkbox"/> Work <input type="checkbox"/> Home

How have you implemented a change within your nephrology program using a quality improvement approach?

Please complete each section:

Title	
What was the aim of the project? (Define the problem)	
Describe the Background (Why you did this project? What is the history of the project? What was your intent or goal for the project?)	



An outline of how you used a QI methodology to implement your improvement. Describe the steps of your work and provide a road map for your project. Explain your process in a way that makes the study reproducible. What was unique? What did you do differently? What were the tools, techniques, and strategies used?)

Identify and define the performance indicators. (Describe the measures/metrics used to measure change. Define each measure. Describe why the measure was selected)



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What were the direct outcomes? (Describe what happened as a result of the project)

What were the benefits of implementing this quality improvement approach and what have you learned from your quality improvement efforts? (Review)

What learning's would you take forward? (Improvements)

Message for others? (What is the most important message you would convey to others?)

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Send to: nncc@nncc-exam.org; Subject line: **QI Award**

A confirmation email will be sent upon receipt.

Questions should be directed to NNCC at 888-884-6622 or nncc@nncc-exam.org