

## **DORIS J. BIESTER AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP**

### **Call for Nominations**

This Chapter Award, initiated in 1999, is named for chapter member, nursing and community leader Doris J. Biester, PhD, FAAN. Doris first came to The Children's Hospital in Denver in 1979 and in July 1998, in recognition of her leadership expertise, Dr. Biester was named President and CEO of the hospital. She obtained her PhD in nursing from the University of Colorado School of Nursing in 1994. Dr. Biester is recognized for the positive impact she has had on nurses and nursing through her visionary and innovative approaches.

The Award is presented annually at the Spring Awards Meeting. Submit nominations to honor colleagues with this prestigious award. In your letter of nomination, please summarize the nominee's contributions and accomplishments by including pertinent examples that describe how the nominee has demonstrated each of the criteria:

- A. Receives national and/or international recognition as a nursing leader in education, practice, administration and/or research:
  - 1. Held various leadership positions
  - 2. Cited as a national nursing leader
  - 3. Appointed/elected to national task forces, commissions, councils, committees, etc.
  - 4. Received awards that connote leadership in nursing
- B. Impacts leadership in nursing through visionary and innovative approaches:
  - 1. Develops creative approaches to nursing leadership
  - 2. Demonstrates creative approaches to nursing leadership
  - 3. Advances the knowledge base of leadership in nursing
- C. Creates an environment that enhances the image of nurses and the profession of nursing:
  - 1. Promotes sense of worth in other nurses
  - 2. maintains excellent professional interpersonal relations
  - 3. Demonstrates outstanding public relations skills
  - 4. Facilitates professional socialization at all levels of nursing
- D. Participates in the development of nursing leaders and leadership:
  - 1. Provides career counseling and referral
  - 2. Serves as a mentor to nurses
  - 3. Teaches leadership through various strategies
  - 4. Serves as a consultant/advisor
- E. Involved in other significant areas of leadership.

Materials to be submitted with the nomination include:

- 1. Permission from the nominee agreeing to be nominated and to plan to attend the Spring Awards meeting.
- 2. Biographical sketch or resume of the nominee
- 3. Three supporting letters from peers, faculty, and/or community leaders that address the award criteria.

Send entry to: Chair, Awards Committee. See "Call for Award Nominations" on home page of chapter's website for contact information - <http://www.sttialphakappa.org>.

**DEADLINE: January 31**

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**Nomination Form**

Name of **Nominee**: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers: Work \_\_\_\_\_ Home \_\_\_\_\_

Name of **Nominator**: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers: Work \_\_\_\_\_ Home: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate the primary area in which the nominee demonstrated leadership (check all that apply):

- Nursing Practice
- Nursing Education
- Nursing Research
- Leadership/Administration

List enclosures:

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I, the above nominee agree to have my name submitted for consideration for the Doris J. Biester Award for Excellence in Leadership given by the Alpha Kappa Chapter at Large of Sigma Theta Tau International. I am aware that the award will be presented at the Spring Awards Meeting and I expect to attend the meeting.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_