#### Deadline for submission is <u>March 15, 2021</u>

### Now is your chance to honor a special nurse!

In celebration of National Nurses Week, the University of Tennessee Health Science Center College of Nursing along with Nurse leaders from across our community will honor nurse heroes at the 2021 NightinGala, a virtual event to be held **May 6, 2021.** 

Please submit nominations for the following awards as follows:

<u>COVID-19 Community Nurse Hero</u> – recognizes an individual registered nurse who has demonstrated outstanding contributions for a patient experiencing COVID-19.

**Bedside Nurse Hero**—recognizes an individual registered nurse who has demonstrated outstanding contribution directly at the point of care and/or bedside nursing.

**Nursing Team Heroes**— recognizes collaboration by two or more people, led by a registered nurse, who identify and meet patient family needs by going above and beyond the traditional role of nursing.

<u>Advanced Practice Nurse Hero</u>—recognizes outstanding contributions to nurses of advanced practice, including those in positions of nurse practitioner, certified registered nurse anesthetist, nurse midwives and clinical nurse specialist.

**Executive Leader Nurse** Hero—recognizes outstanding contribution of a registered nurse in the position of leadership such as nursing director, manager, supervisor, clinical educator, case manager, nurse manager or leader.

All nomination forms must be received by no later than <u>March 15, 2021.</u> You may <u>send by mail</u> to Bethany Goolsby, UTHSC Office of Development, 62 S. Dunlap, Suite 500, Memphis, TN 38163. Or, you <u>may send the</u> <u>completed form by email</u> to Leigh Ann Roman, College of Nursing, <u>lroman2@uthsc.edu</u>.

To qualify for nomination, the submission must include the following:

- Completed nomination form with the name and contact information of the nominator.
- Supporting information on the nomination form that demonstrates how the nominee's ongoing contributions made a difference.
- A Letter of Support (from someone other than the nominators)
- If possible, please attach nominee's Résumé or Curriculum Vitae.

### NightinGala Nurse Hero Award 2021 Nomination Form and Criteria

### Nomination Criteria:

Nominee must have a current unrestricted Tennessee RN license or current unrestricted license in another state if employed in a federal facility.
Actively practicing nursing in the Mid-South.

Instructions: Please read and follow instructions carefully. <u>If instructions are not</u> <u>followed, the nomination will not be considered</u>.

• Information may be typed or printed legibly.

• Consult with the nominee or others to assure that all demographic and descriptive information is accurately stated.

• The nomination form must not exceed the pages provided. Page 1 requests the nominee's demographic and biographic information and the nominator's and employer's name, address and phone number. Signatures and email addresses for both the nominator and the Senior Level Administrator of the organization MUST be provided.

• Please describe how the nominee meets the criteria.

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All nominations must be postmarked by **Monday**, **March 15**, **2021** to be considered. The nomination form is available to download in PDF format on the UTHSC College of Nursing website <u>https://uthsc.edu/nightingala</u>. Tips for completing the nomination form are also available on the website.

<u>Self-nominations are not accepted</u>. Members of the NightinGala Nurse Hero Award Steering Committee, Nominations, and Selection committee and Reviewers are ineligible for nomination.

### NightinGala Nurse Hero Award 2020 Nomination Form

All information must be typed or printed legibly on this form. Enter nominee's name and credentials as it

should appear in the NightinGala Program. Nominee's First Name \_\_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_\_ Nominee's Credentials: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Nominee's home address: Street: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Nominee's Employer: Organization's Address: Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Position held: Mark primary practice area of the nominee: a) Bedside Nurse (Staff Nurse)\_\_\_\_\_ b) Nursing Team\_\_\_\_\_ c) Advanced Practice Nurse d) Nurse Executive Leader\_\_\_\_ Nominee's area of certification, if applicable: Years of Experience as a Registered Nurse: \_\_\_\_\_\_ years. Nominator's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ (Other) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail address: Nominator's Business Address: Nominator's signature:\_\_\_\_\_ Name of Organization: Senior Level Administrator's Name: (print) \_\_\_\_\_\_ Senior Level Administrator's Signature: E-mail address:

## **<u>COVID-19 Community Nurse Hero Award Nomination</u>**

This award recognizes an individual registered nurse who has demonstrated outstanding contribution directly at the point of care for a patient experiencing COVID-19. Nominations should come from a patient or patient's family.

#### CRITERIA:

• The nominee has provided care for a patient experiencing COVID-19.

• The nominee went beyond customary nursing expectations to provide thoughtful, compassionate care.

- The nominee demonstrates an understanding of family-centered care by their actions.
- The nominee takes the time to connect with patients and their families.
- The nominee exudes and energetic and positive presence.
- The nominee exhibits a positive professional attitude.
- The nominee demonstrates collaboration with others seeking best care of patients

# **Bed Side Nurse Hero Nomination**

This award recognizes an individual registered nurse who has demonstrated outstanding contribution directly at the point of care and/or bedside nursing.

#### CRITERIA:

- The nominee spends 60% or more of their time providing direct patient care.
- The nominee promotes a positive image of nursing by acting as a role model for others.
- The nominee provides care that is compassionate and respectful to patients and co-workers.
- The nominee demonstrates accountability for own professional development.
- The nominee acquires new learning and incorporates this into practice.
- The nominee exhibits a positive professional attitude.
- The nominee demonstrates innovative and progressive ideas in nursing practice and
- The nominee demonstrates collaboration with others seeking best care of patients.

#### Describe how this nominee demonstrates excellence in meeting the above criteria.

# **Nursing Team Heroes Nomination**

This award recognizes collaboration by two or more people, led by a registered nurse, who identify and meet patient family needs by going above and beyond the traditional role of nursing.

#### CRITERIA:

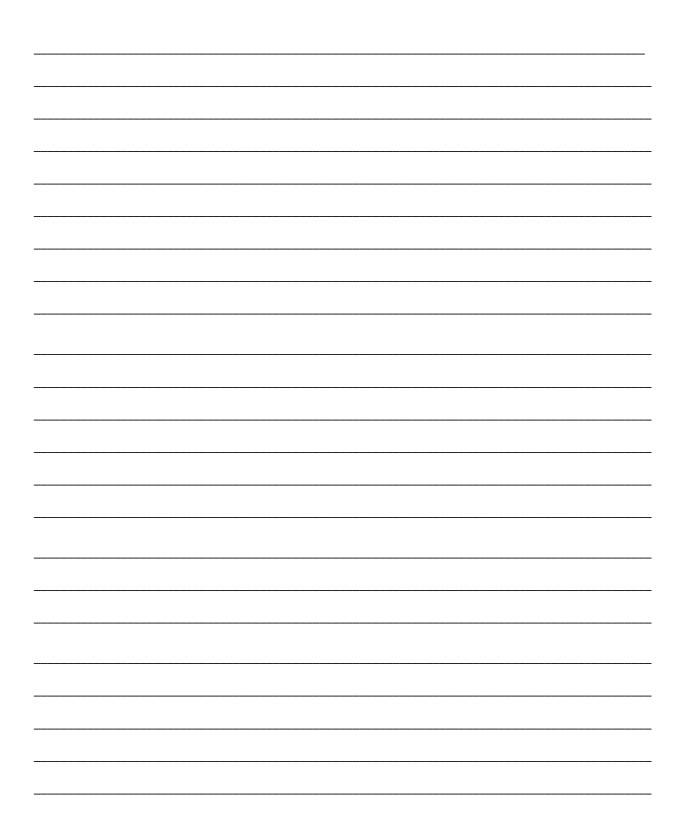
- Teams must be led by a registered nurse in direct patient care
- Teams must comprise 2 or more individuals
- Team members are role models of collaboration and teamwork that make a difference in the lives of patient, families, employees, the community
- Team members create a culture of trust, respect and engagement through core values of accountability, stewardship, professionalism, integrity, respect, and excellence

#### List all of the names of the team members being nominated and offer an example(s) for

#### how each is a role model for nursing collaboration.



Describe how this team demonstrates a level of performance excellence meeting the above criteria.



## **Advanced Practice Nurse Hero Nomination**

This award recognizes outstanding contribution to nurses of advanced practice, including those in positions of nurse practitioner, certified registered nurse anesthetist, nurse midwives and clinical nurse manager or leader.

#### CRITERIA:

- The nominee demonstrates an expert level of competency in the delivery of care.
- The nominee demonstrates strong leadership and interpersonal skills with colleagues, those receiving care, and other members of the healthcare team.
- The nominee acquires new learning and incorporates this in the practice environment.
- The nominee promotes the image of nursing by acting as a positive role model.
- The nominee demonstrates a commitment to evidence based best practice.
- The nominee demonstrates innovative and progressive ideas in nursing practice

#### Describe how this nominee demonstrates a level of performance excellence meeting the

above criteria.

## **Executive Leader Nurse Hero Nomination**

This award recognizes outstanding contribution of a registered nurse in the position of leadership such as nursing director, manager, supervisor, clinical educator, case manager, nurse manager or leaders.

#### CRITERIA:

- The nominee empowers registered nurses to actively participate in assessing, planning, implementing and evaluating nursing care.
- The nominee promotes a culture where registered nurses are positive, challenged and involved.
- The nominee advocates for registered nurses and nursing in the healthcare setting.
- The nominee demonstrates commitment to the development and implementation of organizational goals, priorities and strategies.
- The nominee is a positive role model for all nurses and demonstrates a commitment to evidence based best practice for all patients.

#### Describe how this nominee demonstrates a level of performance excellence meeting the

#### above criteria.

