



## RMAC SURGICAL PATIENT SAFETY AWARD GUIDELINES

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The **RMAC Patient Safety Award** recognizes perioperative registered nurse leaders in the innovative field of patient safety, who have developed and/or described relevant and practical patient safety strategies.

### Criteria

- Involve system innovations, advances in education, communications strategy, patient advocacy, or research focusing on safety-related outcomes in perioperative care
- Establishment of a collaborative and multidisciplinary approach to safer care delivery
- Introduction of new technologies / innovative practices that improve patient and/or clinician safety
- Adoption of a comprehensive approach to program implementation (examples may include process metrics, patient-reported outcomes, performance indicators, educational components, benchmarking, and system-wide implementation)
- Evidence that patient and healthcare worker safety is improved
- Project/process improvements should apply to perioperative care

### Nomination Selection Process

Poster/Paper Presenter(s) at a National Conference must be a member(s) of ORNAC and have submitted an abstract and biography to the ORNAC National Conference Planning Committee.

### Recognition & Reimbursement

The Award is presented at the closing ceremonies of the National Conference when there is an appropriate recipient. The Award is funded by RMAC.

Eligible posters or presentations may involve system innovations, advances in education, communications strategy, patient advocacy, or research focusing on safety-related outcomes.

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### PLEASE NOTE:

1. Presentations which are co-written/presented with another nurse or physician or whose primary focus is not perioperative nursing or who is not a member of ORNAC shall not be eligible.
2. In the event of the Award being given when there are co-authors or presenters (all who are eligible recipients), the Award shall be shared.