

Institute for Nursing

# *Awards and Scholarship Gala*



Thursday  
April 5, 2018

Hosted by

*The Institute for Nursing*

The Foundation of the  
New Jersey State Nurse Association

Hyatt Regency Princeton | Princeton, New Jersey

**Date:**  
Thursday April 5, 2018



**Tickets:**  
\$150.00 per person  
or  
\$1,450.00 table of 10



**Reception:**  
6:00 p.m.



**Dinner:**  
7:00 p.m.

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## ***Beacon of Light Honorees***

**Penny Becica-Kraus, BSN, RN**  
Cape Regional Medical Center

**Virginia Carreira, DNP, RN, APN, CCRN, CDE**  
School Base Long Branch High School

**Cheri Clancy, MSN, MS, RN, NEA-BC, CPXP**  
Cheri Clancy & Associates, LLC

**Deborah Ewtushek, MSN, MS, RN, CSN-NJ**  
Memorial Middle School

**Valera Hascup, PhD, MSN, RN, CTN, CCES**  
Saint Peter's University

**Eileen Horton, MSN, RN, NEA-BC**  
Capital Health System

**Susan Laffan, RN, CCHP-RN, CCHP- Advanced**  
Correctional Healthcare

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**Martin Manno, PhD, MSN, RN, ACNS-BC, NEA-BC**  
Virtua Health System

**Bridget Maybury, MSN, RN, APRN**  
James J. Peters Veterans Hospital

**Brenda Petersen, PhD, MSN, RN,  
APRN-BC, CPNP-BC**  
Caldwell University

**Shirley Smoyak, PhD, RN, FAAN**  
Rutgers University, School of Nursing

**Joanne Taylor, RN**  
Cape Regional Medical Center

**Susan Weaver, PhD, RN, CRNI, NEA-BC**  
Hackensack Meridian Health  
Ann May Center for Nursing

**Mary Beth Wegman, MSN, RN**  
Galloway Township Board of Education





## ***Diva & Don Honorees***

**Lydia Albuquerque, DNP, RN-BC, ACNP-BC, CCRN**  
University Hospital

**Jackie Baras, MSN, MBA, RN**  
Robert Wood Johnson Barnabas Health

**Saundra Austin-Benn, MSN, APN-BC**  
Private Practice

**Tracy Carlino, DNP, MA, RN, NEA-BC**  
Virtua

**Ann Marie Leichman, MSN, RN, NEA-BC**  
The Valley Hospital

**Gina Miranda-Diaz, DNP, MPH, APHN-BC**  
West New York Health Department

**Daniel Misa, M SN, RN, CEN, CPEN**  
The Valley Hospital

**Larider Ruffin, DNP, APN, RN, ANP-BC, GNP,  
CRNP, CTTS**  
Stockton University

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## ***EPIC Honorees***

**Robert P. Wise, MPH, FACHE**  
Hunterdon Healthcare

**Susan Cholewka, MBA**  
Organization of Nurse Leaders of  
New Jersey

## ***Scholarship Honorees***

**Honorees will be announced  
at the Event**

## ***Institute for Nursing***

The mission of the Institute for Nursing is to preserve the heritage, principles, values and practices of our healing profession through the support of scholarship, education and research.

The vision of the Institute for Nursing is to engender the spirit of giving to nurture the soul of nursing now and for future generations.

The Institute for Nursing is the public 501[c]3 not for profit foundation of the New Jersey State Nurses Association established in 1988 by the former Chief Executive Officer of NJSNA, Dorothy Fleming; former NJSNA President Jean Marshall and dedicated community leaders and philanthropists. The Institute develops, implements, and funds innovative programs and projects influencing the practice and future of nursing professionals.

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