NADONA/LTC Announces the 2016 Inductees of the Fellows of the Academy of Certified Directors of Nursing Administration

June 28, 2016, Springdale, Ohio—The National Association Directors of Nursing Administration in Long-Term Care (NADONA/LTC) announced at their National Conference in Austin, Texas, those directors of nursing that were inducted as Fellows into the Academy of Certified Directors of Nursing Administration.

As Fellows in the Academy of Fellows, the title, FACDONA (Fellow of the Academy of Certified Directors of Nursing Administration) may be used following their credentials. To obtain Fellowship, the following criteria must be met:

1. Be a registered professional nurse
2. Be a current member of NADONA/LTC for two years
3. Achieved certification through NADONA/LTC as a certified DON in LTC
4. Must be actively involved in state and local NADONA chapter (e.g. officer, Committee Chair or member)
5. Demonstrate contribution to community through non-profit organizations outside place of employment and NADONA/LTC
6. Submit two professional references
7. Must complete Academy Bio-form

Those certified nurses who were honored by being inducted into the academy of fellows are:

Priscila Aponte                      Sara Hamm
Betty Brunner                       Susan LaGrange
Bonnie Buella                       Sheila Mangrum
Sr. Margaret Edward Costello       Kathleen Mills
Melissa Gale da Costa                Linda Sue Patron
Marie Cecile Eloi Desormes          James Ransone
Deedre Dolezal                      Matilda Rogers
Lina A. Dureza                      Linda Sammons
Josanna Lei Enriquez                Melissa L. Stannard
Jo Ann Finlon                       Jean Steiner
Betty Frandsen                      Carolyn Ulrich
Cynthia Renee Fronning              Cindy Winfrey
Charles Martin Hall

The purpose of the NADONA/LTC Fellows is to:
- Recognize superior achievement and dedication to long term care
- Recognize the development of leadership qualities
- Foster and support high professional standards
- Strengthen commitment to the ideals and purposes of the profession and association
The Fellows Resolution reads as:

WHEREAS, The National Directors of Nursing Administration/Long Term Care Academy of Fellows was established to serve as the forum for educational guidance, mentoring and provision to Nursing Administrators in the Long Term Care Continuum, who have achieved certification; and
WHEREAS, Fellows have been at the minimum, two year current members of NADONA/LTC, who have achieved certification through NADONA/LTC, who are actively involved in state or local NADONA chapters, who contribute to the community through non-profit organizations outside their place of employment and NADONA/LTC; and
WHEREAS, the purpose of the Academy of Fellows was designed to recognize superior achievement and dedication to the long-term care profession, to recognize the development of leadership qualities and skills, to foster and support high professional standards, and to strengthen commitment to the ideals and purposes of the profession and association through regional and national projects such as a speakers bureau, a review of the certification process, and the establishment of Master Trainers.
BE IT RESOLVED that on this 26th day of June 2016 at the 29th Annual NADONA/LTC Conference in Austin Texas, the title of “Fellow” be awarded to you, and from this day forward the credentials of “FACDONA” may be added to your already established credentials. And be if further resolved that you are now an official member of the NADONA/LTC Academy of Fellows.
On behalf of the NADONA/LTC Board of Directors, Congratulations!

About NADONA/LTC
NADONA/LTC has been the leading advocate and educational organization for DONs, ADONs and nurses in long-term care since 1986. With 35+ state chapters, it continues to be the largest organization representing nurses working in long-term care/post-acute care settings. NADONA/LTC offers a wide array of services to its members, including educational materials; conferences; scholarships; Certification exams for Director of Nursing, Licensed Practical Nurse, Diabetic Geriatric Nurse, Infection Preventionist-Board Certified, and Assisted Living certification programs; a mentoring program; and a quarterly journal, The Director. Through its publications and programs, NADONA/LTC reaches approximately 20,000 nurses who are employed in long-term care.

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