**Amy J. Berman Geriatric Nursing Leadership Award**

**PURPOSE**

Designed to celebrate the accomplishments of an emerging nurse leader, the Amy J. Berman Geriatric Nursing Leadership Award is bestowed upon an individual who has demonstrated contributions to collaborative practice through involvement in interprofessional teams and defined commitment to gerontological nursing. Articulating impact via policy, advanced practice, system change, and advocacy is an important part of this leader’s experience. *Sigma membership is required.*

**ELIGIBILITY**

All active Sigma members worldwide are eligible to be nominated for this award. Members may not self-nominate; any self-nominations will be disqualified.

Current Sigma International Board of Directors, Sigma staff, Sigma consultants and contracted staff, and members of the judging committee are not eligible.

**CRITERIA**

Nomination should show evidence of meeting a majority of the following criteria:

1. Demonstrates valued outcomes for improving care through leadership of an interprofessional team and collaborative practice
2. Influences the advancement of geriatric healthcare practices within a clinical setting
3. Improves geriatric health outcomes through leadership and enactment of evidence-based care

**SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Supporting documents required below should address a majority of the above criteria. Entries that do not meet the criteria and requirements below will be disqualified. A complete online nomination consists of:

- Online entry form and payment
- Supporting narrative, from the nominator (1-2 pages)
- Two letters of support from diverse sources supporting the criteria (interprofessional colleague, supervisor, coworker, etc. – excluding nominator)
- Nominee’s curriculum vitae
- Letter of Acceptance – Statement from the nominee agreeing to attend Sigma’s Biennial Convention if selected
- Supporting documentation as evidence of nominee’s contribution as outlined in the criteria above (not to exceed 10 pages)