Best Practice in Technology Award

PURPOSE
The Best Practice in Technology Award recognizes and honors an outstanding use of technology in an instructional or clinical setting with the goal to improve healthcare by using nursing clinical data or an educational technology application. Pilot projects accepted; please include completion timeline and remaining operation milestones for completion.

ELIGIBILITY
All individuals, developers, or vendors are eligible.
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. Uses technology to further professional and/or educational goals
2. Exemplifies uniqueness and originality
3. Is innovative, interactive, creative, flexible, bug-free, and easy to navigate
4. Had nurse involvement and leadership throughout development
5. Makes data available to nurses and agencies for decision-making in providing nursing care (e.g., patient records, aggregate data, literature accessibility)
6. Exhibits value beyond one institution
7. Furthers the mission and vision of Sigma

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS
Supporting documents required below should address a majority 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 (1-2 pages)
- Supporting software or URL – provide passwords and allow usage during review process (March – May)
- Letter of Acceptance – Statement from a project representative 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)