



MNRS 2027 Honorific Awards

Harriet H. Werley New Investigator Award

Nominations Open: August 3, 2026

Nomination Deadline: September 15, 2026

Purpose:

The purpose of the Harriet H. Werley New Investigator Award is to recognize the scientific contribution of a new investigator who has conducted nursing research that has the potential to enhance the science and practice of nursing.

Eligibility Requirements:

Nominees must be members of MNRS in good standing and be nominated according to the established procedure. Nominees hold an earned doctorate and have completed their doctorate within the past 7 years. The research should have been started within 5 years of completing the last formal research training and may not consist solely of dissertation research. Awardees must agree to attend the Annual Conference and the Awards Ceremony.

Nominations will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Quality and rigor of major research projects
- Research-related publication and presentation record
- Significance of research to the profession
- Potential as a career nursing scientist
- Actual and potential influence of research on nursing and healthcare practice or systems

Nomination Application Information should include:

- NIH Biosketch (limited to **5 pages only**)
- Narrative summary statement of no more than 300 words about the applicant's scientific accomplishments and/or contributions
- Two (2) letters of support that detail the nominee's significant contribution to nursing science
- Two (2) published research articles

The MNRS Awards Committee reviews the nominations according to the criteria and makes recommendations to the Board for final approval.

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