

NOVA Silver Star Chapter Award

Abstract: NOVA has many outstanding local chapters. These chapters are the backbone of the organization. Local chapters are “where the action is.” Members meet, share ideas, have fun, learn from educational speakers, share nursing stories and innovative ideas, enjoy food, plan legislative activities and carry on the work of the organization. Several chapters have been outstanding over the years.

Selection Criteria:

- The Chapter needs to be recognized by National Office as an “active” Chapter (bylaws on file, more than 10 members, etc.).
- The Chapter needs to fill out the application and send it to National Office by February 15th.
- The Membership Committee, with the Executive Director, will review the applications and select the winner.
- The winning chapter will be notified by the Membership Secretary via email, telephone or regular mail.
- An article on the chapter will appear in the summer issue of NFN.

Application Questions:

How many years has your Chapter been active?

1-10 years 11-20 years 20-24 years 25 years

What percentage of Chapter members attended the previous NOVA annual Meeting?

Briefly describe your local meetings:

We meet once a month We meet Quarterly We meet randomly

What percentage of your members attend these meetings?

5-10% 10-25% 25-30% 30-50% greater than 50%

Have any of your Chapter members served on the National Board of Directors?

0 1-5 5-10 10-20 not sure

Briefly describe your educational events:

What is your grassroots approach in the legislative arena?

How does your Chapter support the NOVA Foundation?

Describe other Chapter activities that support nursing recruitment and retention, such as local Nurses Week activities, community involvement, articles in the local newspapers, etc:

Describe your Chapter passion for NOVA and tell us why your Chapter merits this award.