



INAUGURAL RECIPIENTS OF THE ANA DAISY AWARDS FOR ETHICS IN NURSING PRACTICE AND LEADERSHIP ANNOUNCED

April 2024 (Anacortes, WA) – Lisa Wall, PhD, RN, CNS, AOCNS®, HEC-C, Clinical Nurse Specialist and Ethics Consultant at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and Lori Raffaniello, MSN, RN, NE-BC, Administrative Director of Family Medicine at Mount Sinai South Nassau, received the inaugural ANA DAISY Awards for Ethics in Nursing Practice and Leadership earlier this month at the National Nursing Ethics Conference in Los Angeles. The award was developed through collaboration with the DAISY Foundation and the American Nurses Association’s Center for Ethics and Human Rights and made possible by UCLA Health Nursing. The awards recognize nurse leaders and clinical nurses whose leadership, compassion and clinical practice demonstrate the importance of human values and ethics in nursing.

Lisa Wall, described by peers as a *Pioneer of Ethics*, was selected for her numerous contributions to ethical awareness and ethical decision-making including published articles about ethical issues, the creation of an undergraduate ethics curriculum, her candid communication skills, fierce advocacy, and collaboration with other disciplines to protect patient rights, articulate respect, dignity and worthiness, and the unique attributes of all.

Lori Raffaniello was recognized for her unwavering commitment to the safe, ethical care of patients, staff, and community. Examples within her nomination included providing a safe and nonjudgmental environment for staff to voice concerns, co-chairing the ethics committee for the last 15 years, collaborating with interdisciplinary team members and elevating ethical and morally distressing concerns for discussion as well as the implementation of plans and processes to improve family and staff comfort around difficult ethical decisions.

DAISY Co-founders Bonnie and Mark Barnes remarked on the event “Honoring nurses for their highly ethical practice and leadership aligns beautifully with DAISY’s dedication to shining a light on nurses’ extraordinary compassionate care. Collaborating with ANA and Ethics of Caring to bring these awards to life enriches our mission.”

Liz Stokes, Director of the American Nurses Association Center for Ethics and Human Rights added “In the tapestry of nursing, ethics is the golden thread that weaves compassion, leadership, and

integrity into every patient interaction. Lisa Wall and Lori Raffaniello epitomize this ethos, illuminating the path of ethical practice and leadership for all.”

Congratulations to these worthy recipients! Read their full nominations [here](#).

About The DAISY Foundation

The DAISY Foundation is a not-for-profit organization, established in memory of J. Patrick Barnes, by members of his family. Patrick died at the age of 33 in late 1999 from complications of Idiopathic Thrombocytopenic Purpura (ITP), a little known but not uncommon auto-immune disease. (DAISY is an acronym for Diseases Attacking the Immune System.) The care Patrick and his family received from nurses while he was ill inspired the creation of The DAISY Award® for Extraordinary Nurses, an evidenced-based means of providing nurse recognition and thanking nurses for making a profound difference in the lives of their patients and patient families.

In addition to the DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nurses, the Foundation expresses gratitude to the nursing profession internationally in over 6,500 healthcare facilities and schools of nursing with recognition programs that honor and celebrate nurses wherever they practice and throughout their careers. More information is available at <http://DAISYfoundation.org>.

About ANA

The American Nurses Association (ANA) represents the interests of the nation's more than 5 million registered nurses. ANA's mission is to improve the quality of healthcare for all. Founded in 1896, and with members in all 50 states and U.S. territories, ANA is the strongest voice for the profession.

ANA exists to advance the nursing profession by fostering high standards of nursing practice, promoting a safe and ethical work environment, bolstering the health and wellness of nurses and by advocating on healthcare issues that affect nurses and the public.

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