Purpose: The Zielony Nursing Institute Quality and Patient Safety Award is presented in recognition of the skills, talents, expertise, commitment and personal attributes that encompass quality care and patient safety.

Eligibility: Any Registered Nurse employed in the Cleveland Clinic health system for at least five years.

Process: Any employee, physician, patient or volunteer may nominate. Recipients will be selected on the basis of evidence provided by completion of the nomination eligibility criteria.

Award: The award winners will be announced during Nurses’ Week. The award will be presented at the banquet at the InterContinental Hotel, Cleveland, in September.

Deadline: All nominations, from any Cleveland Clinic facility, must be received by Monday, February 3, 2014. There will be no exceptions! Nomination forms may be completed online or delivered to Nursing Administration at any Cleveland Clinic Hospital.

Instructions: Please DO NOT use the nominee’s name when writing details: Address as the NOMINEE. Please cite specific examples including patient and physician comments. If you require more space, attach a sheet to the nomination form.

1. Describe how the nominee demonstrates leadership in projects associated with nurse sensitive indicators: CLABSI, restraints, falls, pressure ulcers, CAUTI, etc.

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2. Describe how the nominee demonstrates role modeling and mentoring of others in promoting quality and safety.

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3. Describe how the nominee serves as a leader on the unit (formal or informal) to effect positive change in clinical outcomes.
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4. Describe how the nominee contributes to safety and quality improvement initiatives and processes.
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