



## Premier Program Award Guiding Questions

*The following questions may help you begin writing your application if you are having difficulty determining 'where to begin' in describing the exemplary nature of your organization. You are not required to specifically address any or all of them. They are meant to provide you some assistance in determining the content of your application.*

### **Business practices:**

- What is one challenge you faced in the past two years and how did you address the challenge?
- What organizational team members participated in addressing the challenge, and what outsider groups were involved?
- What difficulties did you face in the implementation?
- What are the intrinsic and extrinsic outcomes you have experienced as a result of your "solution?"
- What awards have you earned for CE delivery?
- What evidence can you provide that substantiates your assertion that your peers recognize your model as excellent?
- How have you contributed to the CE community?
- Has there been any unique leadership involvement to demonstrate buy-in and strategic planning in support of continuing education excellence?
- What innovations have you developed that have been adopted by other CE organizations?
- What evidence can you provide that demonstrates that you have used your resources effectively?
- In what ways could the methods you used be considered exemplary?
- Address the creative or innovative identification of resources.
- How can the CE community benefit from your approach to use of resources?
- Briefly describe your continuous monitoring process, and point out the ways in which it is exemplary. Identify the data you use to determine "continuous progression."

### **Education delivery:**

- What is unique or exemplary in regard to your design and delivery of activities? Provide examples to support your narrative.
- How have you improved meeting the needs of your constituency? How did you measure that improvement?
- What evidence can you share with the committee that shows others have adopted your educational model?
- Please describe the teaching strategies you use, and explain in what way they are innovative.
- Please show how you use evidence-based materials or methods in delivering continuing nursing education.
- Provide objective examples of how your innovative teaching strategies and use of evidence-based nursing education have improved the practice of nursing.
- How do you evaluate for evidence-based teaching?
- Provide evidence of the effectiveness of your continuing education in yielding changes in practice.
- What creative or innovative methods do you use to ensure that the learner's goals are consistent with the objectives of the CE activity and to measure the achievement of those goals?

### **Expansion/dissemination of knowledge re: continuing nursing education:**

- Briefly describe your continuous evaluation process of your activity outcomes and your continuing education unit.
- Describe research that your organization has planned, implemented, and/or coordinated relative to planning, implementing, or evaluating educational activities.
- Please list your publications, presentations, and other related service here.
- How do you disseminate the most contemporary findings or approaches in CNE?
- Describe your partnerships here, and provide letters of support from at least two partners.
- Provide an example of a partnership that has resulted in increased dissemination of best practices.