



**PERINATAL, SEXUAL, & REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH RESEARCH & IMPLEMENTATION
INTEREST GROUP
PSRH- RIIG**

**SENIOR INVESTIGATOR AWARD, MID-CAREER INVESTIGATOR AWARD, NEW
INVESTIGATOR AWARD, GRADUATE & UNDERGRADUATE AWARD APPLICATIONS**

These awards are designed to recognize members of the MNRS *Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health Research & Implementation Interest Group* who are in different stages of their careers. These Interest Group awards do not take the place of other awards given by the MNRS as an organization.

Nominations for these awards are due **DECEMBER 3, 2021, by 5pm EST** online. Nominations may be made by a colleague or via self-nomination. [CLICK HERE](#) to submit a nomination.

Applicants/nominees will be notified of the RIIG Awards Committee decisions in January of 2022. RIIG awards will be presented at the RIIG meeting and acknowledged during the Annual Research Conference. Each awardee is strongly encouraged to be present to receive the award and will be invited to provide a brief presentation (roughly 5 minutes) of her/his research at the RIIG meeting.

1) SENIOR INVESTIGATOR AWARD

- a) **Purpose of the Award:** The Senior Investigator Award is awarded to an experienced researcher who has made outstanding contributions Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health research/research application and has served as a mentor for students and/or peers.
- b) **Criteria for the Award:**
 - Has earned a doctoral degree in nursing or related field.
 - Has a publication, presentation and funding record appropriate for career stage.
 - Has a track record of mentorship to students and/or peers.
 - Is nationally and/or internationally recognized for leadership in Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health research.
 - Has a program of research with a high potential for translation into practice and/or the ability to enhance nursing science in areas related to Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health research.
- c) **Eligibility Requirements:**
 - The applicant/nominee is a member of MNRS and member of the *Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health Research Interest Group*.
- d) **Submission Requirements:**
 - A letter of nomination (maximum of 2 pages on letterhead) submitted by a research colleague who is familiar with the applicant's research and mentorship activities that includes the following information:
 - Nominee name, credentials and contact information.
 - Description of meritorious achievement in relation to the above award criteria.
 - Nominator's name, signature, and contact information.
 - Nominee's curriculum vitae.

2) MID-CAREER INVESTIGATOR AWARD

a) **Purpose of the Award:** The purpose of this award is to recognize researchers who have been in their position for more than 5 years since receiving her/his doctoral degree and demonstrated a consistent record of contributions to Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health research.

b) **Criteria for the Award:**

- Has earned a doctoral degree in nursing or related field.
- Has a publication, presentation and funding record appropriate for career stage.
- Has built a program of research making a significant contribution to the growth of health and nursing science in areas related to Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health.

c) Eligibility Requirements:

- The applicant should have conducted research focusing on issues related to Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health.
- The applicant is a member of MNRS and of the Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health Research Interest Group.
- Individuals can be either self-nominated or nominated by a current member of MNRS.
- The applicant has earned a research or practice doctorate degree > 5 years.

d) Submission Requirements: To submit for this award, you must provide the following items:

- A letter of nomination (maximum of 2 pages on letterhead) of how the applicant's work has made a distinguished contribution to the science and/or practice of Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health including the following information:
 - o Nominee name, credentials and contact information.
 - o Description of meritorious achievement in relation to the above award criteria.
 - o Nominator's name, signature, and contact information.
- Nominee's curriculum vitae.

2) NEW INVESTIGATOR AWARD

a) Purpose of the Award: The New Investigator Award is awarded to a member who has received her/his doctoral degree within the past five years and who has an outstanding research/research application trajectory.

b) Criteria for the Award:

- Has earned a doctoral degree in nursing or related field.
- Has a publication, presentation and funding record appropriate for career stage.
- Has a program of research with high potential for translation into practice and/or the ability to enhance nursing science in areas related to Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health.

c) Eligibility Requirements:

- The applicant/nominee is a member of MNRS and member of the *Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health Research Interest Group*.

d) Submission Requirements:

- An abstract of the program of research (maximum of 2 pages on letterhead)
- Nominee's curriculum vitae
- A brief summary (maximum 1 page on letterhead) of the nominee's merit for receiving the new investigator award (submitted by a colleague familiar with the applicant's research).

3) GRADUATE RESEARCH AWARD

a) Purpose of the Award: The Graduate Research Award is awarded to recognize an outstanding graduate student who demonstrates the potential to contribute significantly to Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health Research and research application.

b) Criteria for the Award:

- The student has taken an active role in the participation of Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health Research and research application.
- The student demonstrates progress toward the production of scholarly work in regards to Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health research, such as working on an evidence-based practice project, a master's thesis, a DNP final project, or a dissertation project.
- The student demonstrates significant potential for leadership.
- The student demonstrates significant academic potential as evidenced by participation in scholarly activities related to Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health research while a graduate nursing student.

c) Eligibility Requirements:

- The applicant is a member of MNRS or must join MNRS as a student member.
- The applicant is in a graduate nursing program, including masters, doctor of nursing practice, or doctor of philosophy.
- The applicant currently has a 3.0 GPA or higher in their nursing program.

d) Submission Requirements:

- A letter of nomination (maximum of 2 pages on letterhead) from a faculty member who is familiar with the nominee's scholarly work in Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health
- Research/research application that includes the nominee name, credentials (if applicable), and contact information, a description of meritorious achievement in relationship to the above award criteria, and the nominator's name, credentials, and contact information.
- A personal statement from the nominee that speaks to the above award criteria (maximum of 1 page).
- Nominee's curriculum vitae.

4) UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH AWARD

a) Purpose of the Award: The Undergraduate Research Award is awarded to recognize an outstanding undergraduate student who demonstrates the potential to contribute significantly to Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health research or research application.

b) Criteria for the Award:

- The student has accomplished one or more of the following:
 - Has taken an active role in the participation of Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health research.
 - Has taken an active role in the dissemination of Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health research.
 - Has taken an active role in the production of scholarly work in regards to Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health research, such as participation in a literature review, working on an evidence-based practice project, or being a part of school projects.
 - Has demonstrated significant potential for leadership
- The student demonstrates significant academic potential as evidenced by participation in scholarly activities related to Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health research/research application while an undergraduate nursing student.

c) Eligibility Requirements:

- The applicant is a member of MNRS or must join MNRS as a student member.
- The applicant is in a baccalaureate nursing program.
- The applicant currently has a 3.0 GPA or higher in their nursing program.

d) Submission Requirements:

- A letter of nomination (maximum of 2 pages on letterhead) from a faculty member who is familiar with the nominee's scholarly work in Perinatal, Sexual, & Reproductive Health
- Research/research application that includes the nominee name, credentials (if applicable), and contact information, a description of meritorious achievement in relationship to the above award criteria, and the nominator's name, credentials, and contact information.
- A personal statement from the nominee that speaks to the above award criteria (maximum of 1 page).
- Nominee's curriculum vitae.