

RCN Awards ± Fellowships, Honorary
Fellowships and Awards of Merit

How to write a successful supporting statement



Fellowships



Honorary Fellowships

- ◀ recognise individuals who are not nurses but have made a significant impact on nursing and/or health care; or
- ◀ nurses registered outside the UK who have made exceptional contributions in their country or internationally.



Awards of Merit

- ◀ recognises individuals who have given exceptional service to the RCN, making an impact on their branch, workplace, forum, or the RCN as a whole.



Who should prepare the supporting statements?

- ◀ Supporting statements should be prepared by someone who knows the candidate very well.



What makes a good supporting statement?

< A good supporting statement will:

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- describe vividly and persuasively how and where they have made a difference
- explain what is special about their achievements, what the effect has been and why it has been important
- talk about how the candidate earned the respect of their peers and colleagues
- show how they have become a role model.



How should a supporting statement sound ?

You should:

- ‹ present your information in a clear and easy to read style
- ‹ not be afraid to use superlatives
- ‹ evidence achievements and effects
- ‹ check your facts and accuracy
- ‹ check spelling, punctuation, grammar.



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- < an extended CV
- < a list of educational achievements, appointments, awards or posts
- < a job description showing what the candidate does.

