

2021 NCSBN Awards Ceremony - 2020 Award Recipient - Lori Scheidt Video

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Presenter

NCSBN Awards Committee

- [Announcer] 2020 R. Louise McManus Award. Throughout her illustrious regulatory career, Lori Scheidt has made sustained and significant contributions to the highest commitment and dedication to the mission and vision of NCSBN. She has played an active leadership role at both NCSBN and the Missouri Board of Nursing.

She has been board staff for more than 30 years, serving as executive director for the last 18. She has also served in various leadership roles at NCSBN, including her current position as Area II director. Lori continually strives to improve nursing regulation across the nation. She has worked with other boards of nursing to foster academic pathways for streamlined recognition of military education, service, and experience toward nurse licensure.

Under her direction, the Air Force 4N051 training is now academically recognized as board-approved practical nurse education. More than 100 airmen have been licensed as practical nurses in her state since the inception of this program in 2017.

She is also a trailblazer with her recent work on NCSBN's fraud detection committee. Critical to public safety, her diligent work to detect fraudulent nursing education transcripts or verification and licensure applications has prevented licensure of impostors on many occasions. While serving as vice-chair of the Nurse Licensure Compact Executive Committee, she was integral in the development of toolkits to assist states with implementing the compact.

She is a dedicated and generous mentor and always willing to assist new EOs and board staff in the transition to their roles. She inspires leaders to work together, aligns processes, and works collaboratively to support and promote excellence in nursing practice and regulation.

Her work extends to bringing boards of other health-related disciplines together to find decisive ways to foster patient safety and to streamline processes. As a progressive thinker, she recognizes the ability of NCSBN's Nursys database and the e-Notify system to enhance regulatory excellence and has tirelessly

championed it. In Missouri, 94% of registered nurses participate in e-Notify, and overall 90% of all nurses are enrolled.

Missouri's participation is now utilized to gain valuable nursing workforce data that is essential to addressing issues regarding access to care and nursing shortages in the state. Lori personifies the concept of exceptional service, leadership, integrity, and commitment, matched with an unending dedication to protect the public and support collaboration.

It is for these reasons she was honored with the R. Louise McManus Award in 2020.

- [Lori] I'm extremely honored to accept this award. Thank you to those who nominated me and the awards committee. Thank you to Dr. David Benton and his exceptional NCSBN team who are true visionaries, carving new pathways to nursing regulation excellence.

Through this organization, we are able to share our collective wisdom to make rich decisions. I'm humbled when I reflect on the many leaders that have received this award before me. I'm lucky to count them as friends and mentors. Libby Lund, Gloria Damgaard, Mary Blubaugh, Julie George, Rula Harb, Myra Broadway, Betsy Houchen, Sandy Evans, Faith Fields, Shirley Brekken, Joey Ridenour, and Kathy Thomas.

I can never thank you enough for your support and guidance. You and many other fellow regulators helped me succeed, and I am grateful to all of you. Very few things in life are entirely the work of just one person, and this is no exception.

I work with the talented Missouri team that identify opportunities, suggest solutions, and are proactive in this ever-changing regulatory world. I would like to thank my dad who taught me the value of hard work, responsibility, and perseverance. My husband Earl and son Preston who support me in this work I love.

Every time I look at this award, I will be reminded of this moment, how much it means to me, and it will serve as motivation to continue this important work. Thank you all so very much.