



PATRICIA CHOMLEY MEMORIAL ORATION

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR ORATOR NOMINATORS

Introduction

The Patricia Chomley Oration (now known as the Patricia Chomley Memorial Oration) was established in 1966 to honour Miss Patricia Chomley, the first Director of the then College of Nursing, Australia (CNA).

Miss Chomley was appointed Director of the then CNA in 1949 and remained until her retirement in 1964. During the 15 years of Miss Chomley's leadership of CNA, some six hundred students undertook courses. Many of those nurses subsequently held senior nursing positions throughout Australia and were instrumental in important developments in the nursing profession and quality of patient care.

Traditionally the Oration has been held in conjunction with Royal College of Nursing, Australia (RCNA) Annual Conference. This year it will be held with the inaugural RCNA Nursing Summit. The Oration is to be an original presentation of scholarly work, with a duration of approximately 40-50 minutes.

Nominations for the Patricia Chomley Memorial Orator are called for from the RCNA membership.

The RCNA Awards and Recognition Committee will assess all nominations and make a recommendation to the Board of Directors (Board). The Board will select the Orator and provide a prioritised short list of nominations. The name of the Orator will be announced to membership prior to the RCNA Nursing Summit.

Criteria for Selection of Orator

To be eligible the nominee must be:

- a prominent, distinguished, scholarly, visionary or well known Australian;
- a captivating speaker, passionate and knowledgeable about their subject matter;
- either an RCNA member or a non-member;
- either a nurse or non-nurse;
- have made a significant contribution to nursing, health or the community; and
- have had a breadth of experience in the fields of nursing or health or social humanities.

Nomination process

- Nominations must be made on the official Nomination Form.
- Nominators (two) must provide a statement/testimonial of no more than 500 words about the Nominee, plus a one page CV and any other supporting material, with the application.
- Applications, marked 'confidential', are to be forwarded to the CEO, RCNA via email address: karen.moyers@rcna.org.au



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GUIDELINES FOR ORATOR

The Patricia Chomley Memorial Oration is a traditional event in the annual program of Royal College of Nursing, Australia (RCNA). The Oration was established in 1966 to honour Miss Patricia Chomley, the first Director of the then College of Nursing, Australia (CNA) from 1949 until her retirement in 1964. The 2010 Oration is being held in conjunction with the inaugural RCNA Nursing Summit from 26 to 28 May 2010 in Canberra RCNA. The Oration will be presented on the evening on 26 May 2010 in conjunction with the RCNA Annual General Meeting.

The RCNA President will host the Oration.

ORATION

The subject for the Oration is arranged between the Orator and Chief Executive Officer, however the theme of the Summit may be one avenue from which to develop the Oration and title. The theme for this year's Summit is: *Minds converging to inspire, progress and promote the profession of nursing*. As the Oration is a formal address to RCNA members and distinguished guests it is usually delivered without visual or auditory aids.

It is customary for the Oration to be printed for distribution. Printing is coordinated through National Office and copies are embargoed until the day of the Oration.

PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL

Promotional material for inclusion in RCNA Nursing Summit marketing will be required by **Monday 19 April 2010**:

- The **title** of the Oration.
- A **colour photograph** (electronic copy is suitable).
- A **brief profile** and some biographical notes, these need only be brief and not a full CV

ORATION TEXT

The text of the Oration should be forwarded to RCNA National Office by **Monday 3 May 2010**, for printing. Electronic submission is preferred. An RCNA Writer's Kit is available on request to assist with preparing the manuscript for printing.

Please contact National Office if you require further information:

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**PATRICIA CHOMLEY MEMORIAL ORATOR
NOMINATION FORM**

We nominate the following eminent *person* to be considered as the RCNA

Patricia Chomley Memorial Orator for 2010.

Full Name _____

Address _____

Suburb _____ State _____ Postcode _____

Nominated by:

1. _____

(Name)

(Signature)

Date _____

2. _____

(Name)

(Signature)

Date _____

ATTACHMENTS

Please attach your supporting statement plus a one-page CV and return to:

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by Wednesday 31 March 2010