

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.



