**NANN APRN Rising Star Award, Letter of Recommendation Template**

**Introduction of Nominee** in one or two paragraphs, suggested components (including, but not limited to): name, credentials, current position/location, your relationship to/experience with the nominee, other interesting/supportive information.

**Excellence in the practice and art of the APRN:** one or two sentences with overview of how nominee meets this criterion. Provide examples in the following as applicable:

- NANN/NANNP Volunteer
- Represents APRNs on multidisciplinary teams (i.e., state collaborative, community services, etc.)
- Contributes to the science of nursing through research activities
- Demonstrates a commitment to improving patient care
- Incorporates quality improvement in practice activities

**Shows creativity and innovation for change to improve outcomes:** one or two sentences with overview of how nominee meets this criterion. Provide examples in the following as applicable:

- Evidence of clinical expertise
- Shows understanding of healthcare navigation to fit patient needs
- Comprehends intricate patient/family/caretaker requirements.

**Exhibits leadership skills as appropriate for early career APRN:** one or two sentences with overview of how nominee meets this criterion. Provide examples in the following as applicable:

- Leadership role as evidence by increasing responsibilities and activities
- Participates in the education of staff, colleagues
- Demonstrates mentoring (such as precepting, orienting new APRN)

**Participates in projects, publications, and initiatives to demonstrate a steady increase in achievements:** one or two sentences with overview of how nominee meets this criterion. Provide examples in the following as applicable:

- Participation in local level events through lectures, posters, abstracts
- Participates in state-wide events through lectures, posters, abstracts
- Participation in national level events through lectures, posters, abstracts
- Publications (local and/or peer reviewed)

**Closing comments:** one to two sentences

Signature

Nominators name, credentials

Title, employment

Contact email and phone number