Profiles in Family Nursing Leadership: Honoring the Authors of Family Nursing Textbooks

On June 2, 2005, a special honoring ceremony, sponsored by the Journal of Family Nursing, was held at the 7th International Family Nursing Conference in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada. The Distinguished Contribution to Family Nursing Award was created to recognize outstanding contribution to family nursing through cumulative career achievement or a single contribution that has played a seminal role in the field. At this conference, the award focused on substantive publication in family nursing and acknowledged the sustained efforts of authors and editors of family nursing textbooks that have been published in more than a second edition. Numerous textbooks and monographs about the nursing of families have been published during the past 25 years (see the appendix) - a tribute to the growth of empirical knowledge and clinical scholarship within the field. However, there are a small handful of authors whose diligent efforts have had a significant influence on shaping family nursing theory and practice through their writing and revising of family nursing textbooks throughout many years. These distinguished authors are listed in order of the publication date of their first edition:


We salute all of the authors of family nursing textbooks, and we honor particularly the five who recently received the Distinguished Contribution to Family Nursing Award for their leadership and dedication to family nursing.

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The following are listed by publication date from earliest to most recent:


