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American Holistic Nurses Association Awards the 2020 Lifetime Achievement Award to Carla Mariano

Carla Mariano, EdD, RN, AHN-BC, FAAIM, of New York, New York, was selected as the 2020 recipient of the AHNA Lifetime Achievement Award. The Lifetime Achievement Award is given to celebrate the outstanding lifetime achievement in the field of holistic nursing; a way of acknowledging all the holistic nursing work accomplished through sustained participation in AHNA and advancing the specialty practice of holistic nursing.

About Carla

Dr. Carla Mariano developed and is Professor and Past Program Director of the Holistic Nursing Program, Pacific College of Oriental Medicine. She also developed the Advanced Practice Adult Holistic Nurse Practitioner, Rory Meyer College of Nursing, New York University. Dr. Mariano is Past-President of the American Holistic Nurses Association, was integrally involved in developing the Scope and Standards of Practice for holistic nurses, and spearheaded the initiative which gave holistic nursing Specialty status within nursing. She has published widely and presented nationally and internationally on Holistic Nursing Ethics, Research, Healing, Complementary/Alternative Therapies, Self-Care, Issues and Trends, and Holistic Nursing Education. She chaired the Values and Competencies Task Force of the National Education Dialogue, the White House Commission on Integrative Health Care. Dr. Mariano is the recipient of the Holistic Nurse of the Year Award from AHNA, distinguished Achievement in Nursing Education Award from Teachers College, Columbia University, the Rose and George Doval Award for Excellence in Education, the Sri Chinmoy Humanitarian Award and was inducted into the Teachers College Columbia University Hall of Fame.

About AHNA

Founded in 1981, the American Holistic Nurses Association (AHNA) adopted as its primary mission, the advancement of holistic healthcare by increasing awareness and promoting education, as well as personal community-building among nurses, other healthcare professionals and the public. This nonprofit professional nursing specialty organization is the definitive voice for holistic nursing for registered nurses and other holistic healthcare professionals around the world. Holistic nursing focuses
on integrating traditional, complementary and alternative treatment opportunities to improve the mind
body and spiritual health of the whole person.

AHNA delivers valuable resources, improves educational tools, and offers superior networking
opportunities to a vibrant and expanding universe of holistic healthcare professionals. AHNA currently
services more than 5,500 members through 152 local chapters/networks in the U.S. and abroad. Holistic
nursing is recognized by the American Nurses Association as an official nursing specialty with both as
defined scope and standards of practice.

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