

Minnigerode Awards for  
Nursing Excellence

**HONORING NURSES -  
THEN AND NOW**

# Outstanding PHS Nurses

- 1<sup>st</sup> USPHS Superintendent of Nurses
- PHS Chief Nurse (1966 - 1970)
- IHS Director of the Division of Nursing
- NIH Nurse Researcher known for multi-disciplinary approach
- Leader of the Cadet Nurse Corps (1943-1949)
- Gregg Awards – a mystery to solve!

# Superintendent of Nurses, USPHS (1919-1935)

- **Lucy Minnigerode (1871-1935)**  
American nurse, remembered especially for her work in organizing nurses for the Red Cross and the U.S. Public Health Service.
- Appointed as the first Superintendent of Nurses in the United States Public Health Service in 1919.

# Lucy Minnigerode (1871-1935)



# Lucy Minnigerode

- Her report of a tour of inspection of USPHS Hospitals led to the creation of a Department of Nurses within the service.
- Awarded the Cross of St. Anne by Czar Nicholas in 1915.
- Awarded the Florence Nightingale Medal of the International Red Cross in 1925

# Honors



**International Red Cross**



**Cross of St. Anne**

# PHS Chief Nurse (1966-1970)

- After attaining the rank of RADM in the US Navy during Korea and Vietnam, RADM Margaret McLaughlin joined the USPHS in 1945.
- Among her many contributions were nutrition research studies, consultation in Public Health programs, administration, and education.



Margaret McLaughlin

### Chief Nursing Officer Named for USPHS

WASHINGTON, D.C. Margaret McLaughlin on May 15 became chief nursing officer of the U.S. Public Health Service, with the rank of assistant surgeon general. She succeeds Lucile P. Leone (see February, page 219).

The chief nursing officer is adviser to the surgeon general and his staff on all aspects of nursing, both within USPHS and throughout the nation. She reviews nursing standards and practices and their effectiveness and recommends changes in policies, techniques, and procedures as necessary. She evaluates nursing program accomplishments throughout the federal service and nursing at national, state, and local levels.

Miss McLaughlin (Cook County, Chicago; B.S., Washington University, St. Louis, Mo.; M.A., Columbia University) moved to her new assignment from Charlottesville, Va., where she served as regional nurse consultant for the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare Region No. 3. She has received the Meritorious Service Medal of USPHS, the American Theater Ribbon and World War II Victory Medal, and the National Defense Service Medal.

# McLaughlin Award for Clinical Excellence

- Recognizes exemplary leadership and skill resulting in noteworthy accomplishments as a clinician.

# RADM Eileen Hasselmeyer

- A premier nurse researcher who crossed disciplines in search of knowledge and the active pursuit of excellence.
- A leader who demonstrated multi-disciplinary approaches and symbolized the best of the Commissioned Corps on the campus of the National Institutes of Health

# Hasselmeyer award for Research Initiatives

- Recognizes exemplary leadership resulting in noteworthy accomplishments in conducting nursing research and clinical investigation which stimulates the development of new knowledge and practice in nursing and/or the health professions.

# CAPT Marie Hanzel

- After 30 years in the USPHS, CAPT Hanzel is best remembered as the Director of the Division of Nursing in the IHS.
- An administrator, mentor, consultant, and visionary leader CAPT Hanzel was known for her “can do” spirit.

# Hanzel Award for Administrative Activities

- Recognizes exemplary leadership as a nurse executive resulting in noteworthy accomplishments.

# Leader of the Cadet Nurse Corps (1943-1949)

- Lucile Petry Leone was the founding director of the United States Cadet Nurse Corps, which recruited more than 100,000 young women to study nursing and helped spare the country of the need to draft nurses in World War II.
- In 1949, RADM Leone became the first woman to direct a division of the United States Public Health Service, the Division of Nurse Education.

# Lucile Petry Leone (1902-1999)



# Petry Leone Award for Health Promotion and Education

- Recognizes exemplary leadership resulting in noteworthy accomplishments in patient/client or professional education, which informs and educates consumers and/or health care practitioners about significant health related issues and promotes healthy lifestyles.

# Elinor D. Gregg

- First Director of Nursing Service (1924) Bureau of Indian Affairs
- Champion for Indian Health
- Increased nursing staff from 15 to 650 nurses
- Instrumental in Public Health infrastructure for Indian health



# Gregg Group Award for Teamwork

- Recognizes exemplary leadership contributions by nurse members of a group or team resulting in noteworthy accomplishments and positive outcomes towards the attainment of PHS goals.

# MANE Awards

- McLaughlin Award for Clinical Excellence
- Hasselmeyer award for Research Initiatives
- Hanzel Award for Administrative Activities
- Petry Leone Award for Health Promotion and Education
- Gregg Group Award for Teamwork

# Honoring Outstanding Nurses Now

- Anyone may nominate an eligible nurse/ team for service that meets the purpose for which these awards have been established.
- Describe the degree of impact on the public health mission of the PHS by a nurse (or team of nurses).
- Describe how the nominee(s) exceeds normal performance requirements.

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**MANE Awards call for  
nominations**