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Association of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nurses Announces Marilyn Hockenberry as the winner of the 2018 Dr. Nancy E. Kline Mentoring Award

Chicago (Sep. 25, 2018): The Association of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nurses (APHON) has awarded Marilyn J. Hockenberry, PhD RN PPCNP-BC FAAN with the 2018 Dr. Nancy E. Kline Mentoring Award. Hockenberry's achievement was formally announced at the 42nd Annual APHON Conference and Exhibit, on September 14 in Savannah, GA.

The Nancy E. Kline award is given to an APHON member who demonstrates excellence in mentoring, has been outstanding in supporting, encouraging, and promoting the professional development of others and whose impact has resulted in tangible accomplishments or outcomes.

Hockenberry mentored many nurses alongside Nancy Kline and was a dear friend and mentor to Nancy herself. She authored several pediatric text books and curriculums and is very instrumental in research and academia. Dr. Hockenberry is the Bessie Baker Professor Emeritus in the School of Nursing at Duke University School of Nursing. Currently she is a Professor of Pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas and working with the Global HOPE Africa program.

APHON President, Susie Burke, MA RN CPNP CPHON® shared her thoughts on Hockenberry's achievement by sharing, "Marilyn is an inspiration to all of us. She has been influential in the care of children and adolescents with cancer and blood disorders through her research, teachings, publications, and ongoing mentorship to nurses across the country. Her work has provided the foundation for pediatric oncology nursing care today. She has been a friend to so many nurses, and a living legacy of APHON and pediatric hematology/oncology nursing. She is so deserving of the Dr. Nancy E. Kline Mentoring Award."

APHON is the professional organization for pediatric hematology/oncology nurses and other pediatric hematology/oncology healthcare professionals. Its members are dedicated to promoting optimal nursing care for children, adolescents and young adults with cancer and blood disorders, and their families. APHON provides the leadership and expertise to pediatric hematology/oncology nurses by defining and promoting the highest standards of practice and care to the pediatric, adolescent and young adult communities.

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