



Nominations are requested for:

RHONDA SKELTON AWARD

This annual award is presented by the Minnesota Breastfeeding Coalition and Healthy Northland to a maternity center administrator or staff member who has shown dedication 'above and beyond' implementing maternity care breastfeeding best practices.

“Rhonda Skelton was a loving mother, wife, daughter, sister, and friend as well as a caring, hardworking nurse who went above and beyond for her staff and patients. Between the stressors of being a manager, mother, and wife to an ill husband, she always remained strong and would do anything for anyone. The sacrifices she made will be remembered forever, which includes the sacrifice she made for my dad. I hope this award honors who she was as a [nursing] professional but also who she was as an incredible person.”

- Laura Skelton

Award nominations will be reviewed by representatives of the Minnesota Breastfeeding Coalition and Healthy Northland.

Award nomination requests are sent to Minnesota hospitals.

Awardee will be recognized with the presentation of a certificate during the Minnesota Breastfeeding Coalition Perinatal Hospital Leadership Summit Fall 2020 (date to be determined) at the University of Minnesota Continuing Education and Conference Center, St. Paul, MN.

Qualifications:

- Maternity Center employee: administrator or staff
- Dedication to maternity care breastfeeding best practices as demonstrated by work to adopt the “Ten Steps to Successful Breastfeeding” and the “International Code of Marketing of Breast-milk Substitutes”
- A willingness and commitment to support other staff and patients in providing breastfeeding services

