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## **Board Member Receives Lifetime Achievement Award**

State Board of Nursing member Ann L. O'Sullivan, PhD, FAAN, CRNP, was honored with a Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties (NONPF) at their annual meeting held April 14, 2011.

Each year NONPF selects one or more honorees whose contributions have been visionary and stalwart in successfully developing and promoting the role of the nurse practitioner. Dr. O'Sullivan met all of the select criteria: (1) Pioneered in and/or provided leadership of new programs, new models, specialties, or research related to nurse practitioners; (2) Promoted the role of nurse practitioners through political, media, organizational, academic, and other processes; and (3) Attained leadership positions of distinction in the academic government, and/or community arena.

Dr. O'Sullivan is the Dr. Hildagarde Reynolds Endowed Term Professor of Primary Care Nursing at the University of Pennsylvania. An internationally consulted expert on working with teen mothers, O'Sullivan has provided years of scholarship, teaching, and policy leadership on the special needs of teen mothers and their young children that are based on her practice. O'Sullivan has also received national recognition by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing for her leadership in developing the Model Rules and Regulations for Advanced Practice Nurses. Currently in her second term, Dr. O'Sullivan has been serving on the Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing since September 2003. She was Chair of the board in 2009 and 2010. Congratulations Dr. O'Sullivan!



Dr. Ann O'Sullivan (left) receiving her Lifetime Achievement Award from NONPF President Dr. Shirlee Drayton-Brooks.

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