



The ***Distinguished Chapter Service Award*** was originated in 2009 to recognize chapter members that have contributed exemplary service to the chapter beyond normal membership responsibilities. These members have shown exemplary dedication and service to the chapter and its mission to provide a forum for nurses to decrease healthcare disparities of African-Americans and the underserved community through advocacy, education and health promotion.

The selected nominees are recognized at the Annual Education-Lecture Luncheon.

2013 WINNER

Mr. Jabar Akbar, RN, BSN, MPH



J: Jovial: This person often comes straight to CCBNC Saturday meetings in high spirits after working a 7 p to 7 a shift the night before.

A: Accomplished: This individual has served as Principal Investigator, Co-Principal Investigator and Assistant Researcher on numerous funded research grants and contracts. Totalling approximately \$150,000.

B: Blessed: He is married and the proud father of two children.

A: Advocate: Working to bridge the gap in health disparities in minority populations

R: Researcher: Serves as the chair of the research committee for CCBNC and is the co-investigator of Project Move: A Call for Action, which is the obesity initiative of the National Black Nurses Association.

A: Articulate: This individual has presented at numerous national conferences including the 40th Annual NBNA Conference, the International Stroke Conference, and 131st American Public Health Association Meeting in San Francisco, CA to name a few.

K: Knowledgeable: He has published several articles, submitted a manuscript, co-authored technical reports, abstracts and has written a column for a university magazine

B: Brilliant: He has achieved two BS degrees: one in nursing and one in biochemistry, current holds a Master of Public Health from the University of Michigan School of Public Health and is currently pursuing a Master's of Science in Nursing from Winston-Salem State University School of Nursing with anticipated graduation date of May 2015.

A: Awesome: Period

R: Role Model: Excelling in a field that was traditionally dominated by females, he serves as a role model to males in the field of nursing. Serves as a role model to the members of CCBNC. He spearheads the physical activity aspect of the program Project Move grant and serves as the chapter's weight loss model as he has incorporated the goals and objectives of the grant into his own personal lifestyle!



**2012 Winner
Bertha Williams (right)**



**2011 Winners
Betty Borden & Jocelyn Gladney**



**2010 Winner
Bertha Williams (right)**



**2009 Winner
Mary Baldwin (left)**