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**THE HONOR SOCIETY OF NURSING, SIGMA THETA TAU INTERNATIONAL,
NAMES DR. THERESE S. RICHMOND AS ITS 2017 EPISTEME AWARD RECIPIENT**

**Supported by the Baxter International Foundation, the Prestigious Award Recognizes Dr.
Richmond's Research on the Psychological Effects of Violence and Injury**

INDIANAPOLIS, IN and DEERFIELD, IL, August 28, 2017 — The Honor Society of Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau International (STTI), today named Therese S. Richmond, PhD, CRNP, FAAN, the 2017 recipient of the Baxter International Foundation-supported STTI Episteme Award. The award, which was established in 1989, is bestowed to a nurse who has contributed significantly to nursing knowledge development, application, or discovery that resulted in a recognizable and sizable benefit to the public. Dr. Richmond is being honored for her work on the psychological effects of violence and injury.

Dr. Richmond is the Andrea B. Laporte Endowed Term Professor of Nursing at the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing and serves as its Associate Dean for Research & Innovation. Dr. Richmond's research into injury and recovery from violence, as well as violence prevention, has been supported by the National Institute of Mental Health, the National Institute of Nursing Research, Centers for Disease Control (CDC), and the Pennsylvania Department of Health. She is also a member of the Executive Committee of the CDC-funded Penn Injury Science Center and of the Executive Committee of the Leonard Davis Institute of Health Economics. Dr. Richmond is a fellow in the American Academy of Nursing, and an advisor on the Federal Advisory Committee to the Secretary for National Health Promotion & Disease Prevention Objectives for 2030.

Over the past three decades, Dr. Richmond has been passionate in her pursuit to apply rigorous science to help address the problems of violence and injury that impact individuals, families and communities. Her research has focused on improving recovery from serious injury by addressing the interaction between physical injury and its psychological repercussions.

“Baxter International Foundation is honored to fund the Episteme Award and recognize a groundbreaking researcher, educator, and advocate for all people affected by injury and violence, Dr. Therese Richmond,” said Stacey T. Eisen, President of Baxter International Foundation and Senior Vice President, Global Communications, Baxter International Inc. “We are committed to recognizing excellence in nursing research and practice through our longstanding partnership with Sigma Theta Tau International.”

“Dr. Richmond’s work shines a light on the psychological effects of trauma and how they impact the quality of recovery,” said STTI President Cathy Catrambone, PhD, RN, FAAN. “I am pleased to honor Dr. Richmond with the Episteme Award and provide a platform for her to share her research and influence the more than 2,000 nurses, researchers, and educators who will attend our convention.”

As Episteme Laureate, Dr. Richmond will be the keynote speaker at STTI’s 44th Biennial Convention, where she will be presented with the Episteme Award. The convention will be held in Indianapolis, Indiana, USA 28 October through 1 November 2017. Convention details can be found at www.nursingsociety.org/convention.

About the Episteme Award Sponsors

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scholarship, leadership, and service. Founded in 1922, STTI has more than 135,000 active members in over 90 countries and territories. Members include practicing nurses, instructors, researchers, policymakers, entrepreneurs, and others. STTI's 520 chapters are located at more than 700 institutions of higher education throughout Armenia, Australia, Botswana, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, England, Ghana, Hong Kong, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Lebanon, Malawi, Mexico, the Netherlands, Pakistan, Philippines, Portugal, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Swaziland, Sweden, Taiwan, Tanzania, Thailand, the United States, and Wales. Learn more at www.nursingsociety.org.