Audrey Fuller Baker is the recipient of the NJSSNA Excellence in School Nursing Administration Award for 2019. She has been a school nurse for 24 years and is currently the Certified School Nurse for students in grades 10 thru 12 at Old Bridge High School. Audrey has been the School Nurse Coordinator for 25 nurses and 9500 students for the Old Bridge Township Public Schools since 2009. Audrey was nominated for this award by the nurses in her district.

Audrey has many accomplishments in her role as coordinator. She initiated a scholarship Committee and fundraising activity for nursing services in order to present a $1500.00 scholarship annually to a graduating senior pursuing a four-year nursing degree. She elevated school nursing practice in the Old Bridge School District by leading committees on current practice issues from head lice to electronic charting. Audrey has developed nursing evaluation tool used by administration annually. Audrey attends board committee meetings three times a year as member of Health, athletics and food service subcommittees. She interfaces between administration, township personnel and nursing staff to work towards best practice for our district students. She developed faculty and staff in service for blood borne pathogens, diabetes and food allergy and asthma.

Audrey was a contributing author to Promoting Health and Learning School Nursing Practice in New Jersey. She is a nationally certified school nurse.

One of Audrey’s former students who is now a fellow school nurse in Old Bridge describes Audrey as “an exceptional leader who is knowledgeable, a resource to her peers, an advocate for her community and students and the epitome of a true leader in nursing.”