

The Pennsylvania Geriatrics Society -Western Division



The Pennsylvania Geriatrics Society – Western Division is dedicated to improving the health and well-being of all older persons. It is a non-profit organization of physicians and other health care professionals committed to the provision of quality health care for older persons.

As a regional affiliate of the American Geriatrics Society, the organization provides leadership for professionals, policy makers and the public in the area served. The organization aids in the efforts of the American Geriatrics Society in developing, implementing and advocating programs in patient care, research, professional education, public policy and public information for the Pennsylvania and region.

The strategic goals of the PAGS-WD are to:

1. Promote geriatric education for all geriatric healthcare professionals.

2. Provide a an active forum and opportunity for networking and engagement with other professionals who share an interest in improving care for the older adults

3. Advocate for programs and public policy, which will improve the health and well being of older adults.

4. Encourage students and residents to pursue a career in geriatrics.

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Geriatrics Teacher of the Year Award



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Purpose: The Geriatrics Teacher of the Year Award will be presented to two (2) outstanding teachers for their dedication and commitment to geriatrics education. The Pennsylvania Geriatrics Society will recognize a physician and a professional from another healthcare discipline (ex. nursing, advanced practice, physical therapy, pharmacy, occupational therapy, dentistry, audiology, speech-language pathology, social work) for their geriatrics teaching excellence.

Eligibility: This annual award will honor both a physician and a healthcare professional who have made significant contributions to the education and training of learners in geriatrics and to the progress of geriatrics education across the health professions. Members and non-members of the Pennsylvania Geriatrics Society will be considered. Eligible nominees have demonstrated leadership and inspired learners to better the care of older adults and have contributed to the growth of geriatrics in their professions. The ideal candidate meets some or all of the following criteria:

- Contributes significantly to the teaching of students/trainees
- Coaches and mentors the career development of students and trainees
- Inspires students, trainees and even colleagues to join the field of geriatrics
- Demonstrates innovation in geriatrics education
- Exhibits dedication and sustained commitment to teaching and education in the field of geriatrics
- Champions the teaching mission and the growth of the subspecialty of geriatrics

Teaching expertise and/or education program development are valued in the selection of the recipient for this honor.

Nomination Process: Nomination letters must outline the candidate's specific contributions to geriatrics education according to one or more of the above criteria.

The candidate's updated curriculum vitae and one or two additional supporting letters of recommendation are required. One of the supporting letters must come from a learner.

Teachers who were previously nominated may be renominated if the nominator sends a brief update letter re-emphasizing the nominee's unique qualifications, submits additional support letters, or submits an entirely new nomination letter(s) and updated CV.

Winning nominations will be selected by the Awards Committee and presented to the Board of Directors for confirmation.

Award: To recognize his/her outstanding achievement, the Geriatrics Teacher of the Year awardees will receive an award letter and a plaque to be presented during the dinner symposium at the annual Clinical Update in Geriatric Medicine Conference (April 25, 2019). Each awardee also will receive a complimentary membership for the remainder of the year (non-member awardee) or a complimentary membership for the following year (member awardees).

Nomination Form

*Please note the Nomination Form also can be found at www.pagswd.org.

*Please attach a nomination letter, the nominee's updated curriculum vitae, and one or two letters of recommendation.

Nominator Name: _____

Nominator Email: _____

Nominator Phone:

Send nomination form and attached documents to: Eileen Taylor, Administrator Pennsylvania Geriatrics Society – Western Division 850 Ridge Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15212

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*Nominations must be received before May 24, 2024.