***NASWGA Social Work Awards Application*** *Pg. 1*

The NASWGA Awards recognize leaders in the profession and in our communities, who fully embody social work values and ethics. Our past award recipients have accomplished the extraordinary and we have been honored to recognize them at the NASWGA Annual Conference. We need your participation to keep the tradition moving forward. Please consider nominating a social worker or individual who exemplifies the best of the profession’s values for one of the following awards:

# NASWGA Lifetime Achievement Award

In honoring the NASWGA Lifetime Achievement Award recipient, NASWGA recognizes the best social work values and accomplishments demonstrated in the social worker’s lifetime career. Criteria for award recipient must demonstrate:

* Repeated outstanding achievements, as well as:
* Recognition beyond the social work profession;
* Contributions of lasting impact;
* Outstanding creativity and,
* Meet all criteria for Social Worker of the Year Please see Social Worker of the year requirements

# Social Workers of the Year Award

The NASWGA Social Worker of The Year Award honors an individual who exemplifies the best of the profession’s values and achievements through specific accomplishments. In honoring the Social Worker of the Year, NASWGA highlights superb accomplishments in the practice of social work. Criteria for award recipient must:

* Make a demonstrable difference in such areas as:
* Advocacy for clients/social policy;
* Social work practice
* Program development
* Administration research
* Demonstrate outstanding leadership
* Contribute to a positive image for the social work profession
* Take risks to achieve outstanding results

**■ Public Citizen of the Year Award**

The NASWGA Public Citizen of The Year Award honors an outstanding member of the community whose accomplishments exemplify the values and mission of professional social work.

The award recipient is not a social worker. Criteria for the award recipient must:

* Make a significant contribution to an area or population of concern to the social work profession such as at-risk or vulnerable populations; quality of life in communities; social issues.
* Act with courage
* Demonstrate outstanding leadership
* Exemplify social work values and ethics

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# Social Work Practice Award

The NASWGASocial Work Practice Award is presented to an individual or group that has made a significant impact on national mental health public policy, professional standards, or program models. This award is not limited to social work.

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☐NASWGA Lifetime Achievement Award

☐Social Workers of the Year

☐Public Citizen of the Year

☐Distinguished Social Work Practice

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|  | **Nominee:** | **Recommended By:** |
| **Name/Title:** |  |  |
| **Employer:** |  |  |
| **Address:**  **(Employer)** |  |  |
| **Address:**  **(Home)** |  |  |
| **Business Phone:** |  |  |
| **Business Fax:** |  |  |
| **Preferred Phone:** |  |  |
| **Email:** |  |  |

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# Nominee Profile Summary: Please email a brief cover letter addressing the following questions

1.Specifics of the nominee's lifetime achievement as it relates to the field of health/mental health.

2.The personal and professional attributes that uniquely characterize the social work career to the nominee?

1. How has the nominee's work improved the delivery of health/mental health services and their impact on individuals, families, groups and/or communities?

1. How has this been evidenced in leadership, policy development, consultation, research, teaching, administration, clinical practice, or public health/community mental health programs?

**Uploaded Nominee Profile Summary- Send to naswgaannualconference@gmail.com**

**Uploaded Nominee's CV -- Send to naswgaannualconference@gmail.com**

**Additional Comments:**

# References

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