American Osteopathic Foundation's Physician of the Year Award

Award Nomination

Established in 2009, the American Osteopathic Foundation's (AOF) Physician of the Year Award annually recognizes a top doctor whose dedication and leadership has improved the lives of countless people through the use of Osteopathic tenets and principles. This individual achieves greatness through integrity, commitment to service, and community involvement

Purpose

The Physician of the Year Award recognizes one (1) individual whose extraordinary accomplishments (over the past 12-24 months) and service bring a sense of pride to the profession, and whose actions promote the science of medicine and the betterment of public health.

Award

A recognition award will be presented to one (1) individual who exemplifies the award's purpose.

Eligibility

- Nominee shall be a practicing Osteopathic physician with a minimum of fifteen (15) years in practice
- Displays unwavering dedication to patients and has made a significant impact in direct patient care
- Makes an extraordinary impact on the lives of others and is consistently seen as a role model by their peers
- Promotes the art and science of Osteopathic medicine
- Uses extraordinary and innovative ways to improve public health through a specific act or service
- Makes innovative contributions in medicine or to the community
- Embodies the values of the profession through leadership and service
- Has made significant contributions to the field of clinical medicine

Nomination Requirements

- <u>Completed online nomination form</u> self nominations not accepted
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- Three (3) letters of recommendation including:
 - \circ $\;$ Letter of recommendation from nominator $\;$
 - Letter of recommendation on organization letterhead from a current or former employer, a current or past member of the AOA, AOF, or institution's board of directors
 - \circ $\;$ Letter of recommendation from a practicing DO or $\;$ patient
- The nominee's current curriculum vitae or resume (include current memberships, Osteopathic or other); including a current photo
- Optional: Supporting documentation in the form of formal commendations, citations or awards, newspaper or magazine articles, or other media-related profiles will be accepted, but shall serve only as evidence to support the nomination

Review Process

Nominations close May 13, 2024. The award winner and their nominator will be notified by July 31, 2024.

As one of AOF's most prestigious annual awards, the 2024 Physician of the Year will be awarded their recognition at OMED, during AOF's Honors Gala, on Friday, September 20, 2024 in San Antonio, Texas. The Award winner will receive two (2) complimentary tickets, to the Gala, along with a travel stipend to defray travel and hotel accommodations associated with attending the event.

