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MCV Physicians

To: MCV Physicians Clinicians

From: Scott Stringer, MD
President, MCV Physicians

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Scott Stringer, MD

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Date: May 28, 2026

Subject: 2026 Call for Nominations: MCV Physicians Distinguished Clinician of the Year Award

It is my pleasure to request nominations for the 2026 MCVP Distinguished Clinician of the Year Award. This is the most prestigious award that MCVP presents. The award recognizes clinical excellence among clinicians at the VCU Health System. Criteria considered include the following attributes: compassion, clinical effectiveness, efficiency, comprehensiveness, professionalism, availability, and responsiveness to patients.

We are excited to expand eligibility this year to include advanced practice providers.

The MCVP award will be granted to the winner at the Annual Faculty Excellence Awards Program, on Wednesday, October 28, 2026, from 12 to 1:00 pm.

The deadline for submitting nominations is July 23, 2026.

Submit your nomination to this email anne.bonnevie@vcuhealth.org, and include the following information:

1. A letter of nomination no longer than one page.
2. Three letters of support, addressed to Scott Stringer, MD, including one from the clinician's supervisor/chair.
3. An external referee letter.
4. CV or NIH style biosketch.

Please note only full-time clinicians are eligible for this award. A panel including the President of MCV Physicians, the Dean of the School of Medicine and the Sr. Associate Dean of Faculty Affairs, SOM will review the nominations to verify that the nominees are in good standing regarding professionalism and citizenship. If more than four (4) nominations are received, a panel of past winners will meet to narrow the number of nominees. The Clinical Department Chairs, or their designees, will vote on the award winner.

If you need more information, please contact Anne Bonnevie at anne.bonnevie@vcuhealth.org, Tel: 804-827-8406.

Attached is a list of previous years' award winners.

Thank you.

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CLINICIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD WINNERS**

1994	Harold Young, MD	Neurosurgery
1995	David Draper, MD	Pediatrics
1996	Arnold Salzberg, MD	Surgery
1997	George Vetrovec, MD	Cardiology
1998	David Gardner, MD	Endocrinology
1999	John Ward, MD	Neurosurgery
2000	Thomas Smith, MD	Hematology/Oncology
2001	Kenneth Ellenbogen, MD	Cardiology
2002	Robert Leshner, MD	Pediatric Neurology
2003	Michael Hess, MD	Cardiology
2004	Lisa Brath, MD	Pulmonary
2005	James Levenson, MD	Psychiatry
2006	Lenore Buckley, MD	Rheumatology
2007	Julia Nunley, MD	Dermatology
2008	Thomas Loughran, MD	Orthopaedic Surgery
2009	Domenic Sica, MD	Nephrology
2010	Peter Boling, MD	Geriatrics
2011	Mark A. Wood, MD	Cardiology
2012	Wilhelm A. Zuelzer, MD	Orthopaedic Surgery
2013	Betty Anne Johnson, MD	Internal Medicine
2014	Berry Fowler, MD	Pulmonary
2015	Harry D. Bear, MD	Surgery
2016	William B. Moskowitz, MD	Pediatrics
2017	Uma Prasad, MD	Radiology
2018	R. Wesley Shepherd, MD	Pulmonary
2019	Robin Foster & Vigneshwar Kasirajan	Pediatrics Surgery
2020	Mark H. Ryan, MD	Family Med. and Population Health
2021	Todd Gehr, MD	Nephrology
2022	Christopher Wise, MD	Rheum., Allergy, and Immunology
2023	Anne King, MD	Surgery
2024	Dr. John McCarty	Internal Medicine
2025	Dr. Jeffrey Haynes, MD	Surgery