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To: All School of Medicine Faculty, Postdoctoral Fellows, Residents, Medical and Graduate Students
From: Kim Isringhausen, BSDH, RDH, MPH, President, WISDM Faculty Organization
Date: December 8, 2020
Subject: **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: 2021 WISDM Professional Achievement Award**

NOMINATION DUE DATE: Monday, March 8, 2021

- The WISDM Professional Achievement Award is presented by the Women in Science, Dentistry, and Medicine (WISDM) Faculty Organization, VCU School of Medicine.
- Established in 1993, it acknowledges the contributions and accomplishments of women faculty in the School of Medicine.
- The award is presented annually at the spring WISDM Leadership Conference and the SOM Faculty Excellence Awards in the fall.
- **Purpose:** to recognize a woman who is a role model and mentor; promoting the professional development of other women faculty.
- Nominees should demonstrate excellence in the following areas:
 1. Success as a *mentor and role model* for women faculty
 2. *Professional excellence:* accomplished in their primary area of practice (clinical, basic sciences, etc.)
 3. *Leadership:* university administrative duties, and other leadership roles
 4. *Scholarship*
 5. *Teaching expertise*

Instructions for nomination:

- Nominations are sought for SOM women faculty only. (VCU School of Dentistry manages their WISDM Professional Achievement award process separately).
- Nominations should include a letter from the primary nominator, a CV, and no more than five (5) support letters from supervisors, faculty, trainees, and/or students addressing the five areas of excellence.
- Previous nominees can be renominated with an updated CV and no more than five (5) support letters, which may include old and/or new letters, from supervisors, faculty, trainees, and/or students addressing the five areas of excellence.
- Address supporting documents to: Dr. Kimberly Sanford, WISDM Past-President.
- **Submit nomination packets electronically using Filelocker at <http://www.ts.vcu.edu/askit/university-resources/vcu-filelocker/> (click on “Visit VCU Filelocker”). Share your file with deborah.stewart@vcuhealth.org.** Any questions, contact Debbie Stewart, deborah.stewart@vcuhealth.org, 804-828-6591.

A complete list of previous awardees: <https://medschool.vcu.edu/about/deans-office/facultyaffairs/wims/>