

## **Guidelines for MSHA's Outstanding Health Care Clinician Award**

It is the intent of the Health Care Committee's Outstanding Clinician Award to accomplish the following:

- Give visible recognition to outstanding speech, language, and hearing clinicians working in health care in the state of Michigan.
- Motivate individuals to provide excellent clinical services.
- Showcase these clinicians to promote public awareness of the services delivered by our professions.
- This award is an annual event wherein recognition is given to one or more clinicians. Extensive coverage will be given to the individuals(s) at the MSHA Conference, in MSHA publications and on the MSHA website. A media press release will be distributed.

For purposes of participation in this project, a health care-based clinician is defined as follows:

Any provision of service to the speech, language and hearing impaired in a clinical setting. This can include a hospital-based department, a sub-unit of a department, an itinerant program, a clinic, or private practice setting.

Note: This award is not open to public school-based clinicians. Please contact the MSHA office regarding awards recognizing school-based programs and clinicians.

### **Eligibility criteria:**

1. The clinician is a current MSHA member and has been for at least 3 years.
2. The clinician is currently practicing in Michigan and has a State of Michigan License.
3. The clinician has been practicing as a Speech Language Pathologist for at least 5 years.
4. The Clinician has current ASHA CCCs.

The procedure for participating is as follows:

Nominations may be made by anyone - client, caregiver, colleague, director. Nominations must be submitted on the reverse of this form. Nominations will be reviewed by the Health Care Committee.

### **Required documents to accompany nomination form:**

- a. Three letters of recommendation, two should come from co-workers or colleagues.
- b. Copy of the clinicians resume or CV, which should list, among other things, information on:

- Experience working with or supervising students and/or clinical fellows.
- Mentorship provided to other professionals/provision of training outside of the field.
- Community outreach activities.
- Membership in other states, or national organizations (not including ASHA).
- Service on MSHA Committees or those of other professional organizations.
- Offered continuing education/peer reviewed presentations.
- Specialty recognition achieved (e.g., Board Certification from ASHA or awards, excluding continuing education awards).
- Clinical projects/ publications.

Additional information may be requested prior to determining an individual's eligibility. The Health Care Committee will review all nominations and may conduct an interview with eligible nominees.

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Deadline: August 20, 2024

This year's exceptional clinician(s) will be honored at the MSHA Conference, March 13-15, 2025, at the Radisson Plaza Hotel, Kalamazoo