

HOME CARE ALLIANCE  
*of MASSACHUSETTS*

PRESENTS

# OUR TIME TO SHINE



## NOMINATION FORM | 2019

Celebrating the best and brightest in home care and recognizing the ideas and innovations that are pushing the industry forward.

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NOVEMBER 19, 2019  
GRANITE LINKS GOLF CLUB  
QUINCY, MA

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## Innovations Showcase & Star Awards

Home care professionals think outside the - institutional - box every day! Improvisation and innovation are key drivers of agencies' success at every level, from the executive to front-line caregivers. The Home Care Alliance of Massachusetts is honored to salute and celebrate the best programs and people in our industry today. The 2019 Innovations Showcase & Star Awards celebration will take place on November 19 at the Granite Links Golf Club in Quincy, MA. Invitations to attend will be sent to a broad health care audience.

**This event offers member agencies two opportunities to shine:**

1. Nominate a program, product, or operational change that demonstrates your agency's commitment to advancing patient care through innovation.
2. Nominate an employee or homecare supporter for a STAR Award. These awards celebrate the exceptional accomplishments of the everyday heroes in our midst who make incredible differences in the lives of their patients/clients and their families. Though there are too few opportunities to recognize all who deserve one, a STAR award brings with it some well-deserved recognition for both the agency and the individual.

Nominations may be made by Alliance agencies, their patients, or their partner organizations.

**Nominations for the Innovation Showcase and the STAR Awards are due by September 27.**

Final selections will be made by the Alliance's Membership & Awards Ceremony Committee. Each winner will be invited to attend the ceremony as guest of the Alliance, along with the person who nominated him/her, as well as three additional guests.

Please join us in this opportunity to celebrate and honor our industry innovators and our "STARs."

*\*The Aide & Clinician of the year will be featured on the cover of our 2020 Directories!\**

**Patricia M. Kelleher**  
Executive Director

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### INNOVATION SHOWCASE NOMINATIONS

There are many kinds of innovations that deserve recognition: a new service line, a way to improve communication with physicians, families, or hospital discharge planners, a unique partnership with another organization within the community, a system to streamline documentation, a program to improve staff satisfaction or reduce staff turnover, a new payment arrangement with a third-party payer, an organizational re-structuring to increase operational efficiency, an application of new technology to improve care... Share your successes by nominating your agency!

### STAR AWARD CATEGORIES

**Clinician of the Year:** Awarded to a nurse or therapist who has consistently demonstrated: **1.** An exceptional degree of clinical excellence in use of his/her skills; **2.** A commitment to individual professional growth; **3.** Special contributions to the agency and team colleagues; **4.** A special degree of caring and commitment to patients; and **5.** Longevity in the home care profession.

**Aide of the Year:** Awarded to a home care aide who has demonstrated: **1.** An exceptional degree of excellence in use of his/her skills; **2.** A commitment to individual professional growth; **3.** Special contributions to the agency and team colleagues; **4.** A special degree of caring and commitment to patients; and **5.** Longevity in the home care profession.

**Manager of the Year:** Awarded to a clinical or administrative manager (not CEO level) who has demonstrated: **1.** Strong managerial skills in the supervision and mentoring of staff; **2.** Leadership in setting and achieving goals for the agency; **3.** A commitment to representing the agency or industry in the community; **4.** Contributions to improving the delivery of care or the ability of staff to deliver care; and **5.** Longevity in the home care profession.

**Legislator of the Year:** Awarded to an individual who serves in the MA state legislature or represents MA in the US Congress and who has demonstrated: **1.** Consistent leadership on legislative initiatives that advance and support the home health care industry; **2.** Active involvement with constituent agencies.

**Physician of the Year:** Awarded to a physician or nurse practitioner who has demonstrated: **1.** Active involvement in the home health field; **2.** Outspoken support for health care delivered in the home; **3.** Longevity in the home health profession.

**Home Care Champion:** Awarded to an individual(s) or organization who has advanced the image or cause of home care in Massachusetts, demonstrated industry leadership through innovation and vision, made outstanding contributions as a Board leader of an agency, or been an effective grassroots advocate for home care at a local, state-wide, or national level.

## OUR STAFF

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## ABOUT THE HOME CARE ALLIANCE

The Home Care Alliance is a statewide association dedicated to promoting home care as an integral part of the health care delivery system. Founded in 1969, and now with more than 200 provider members, as well as allied individuals, the Alliance remains the definitive voice for home care in Massachusetts.

The Alliance builds public awareness of home care, helping citizens of the Commonwealth understand the scope of services and how to make wise health choices.

The Alliance monitors issues that affect the industry and fosters ongoing communication with state and federal legislators and other policy makers to ensure that legislative and regulatory oversight of home care is developed with industry input.

The Alliance facilitates quality home care services through the Private Care Accreditation Standards, by fostering connection and communication between member agencies, and by keeping them informed of regulatory and market forces that impact them and the clients they serve.

Through educational workshops and other events, the Alliance's subsidiary, the Foundation for Home Health, supports its members in their efforts to continually improve their clinical excellence and to function effectively in an ever changing, complex marketplace.



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# 2019 INNOVATIONS SHOWCASE & STAR AWARDS NOMINATION FORM



Agency Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Innovation Showcase Awards:

Title of Innovation: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Innovation:

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*On additional pages, submit documents supporting your Innovation nomination up to a maximum of four pages.*

## Star Award Categories:

\_\_\_\_\_ Clinician of the Year

\_\_\_\_\_ Manager of the Year

\_\_\_\_\_ Aide of the Year

\_\_\_\_\_ Physician of the Year

\_\_\_\_\_ Home Care Champion

\_\_\_\_\_ Legislator of the Year

Name & Title of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

*On additional pages, please explain why this individual should receive this award. See the award categories page for review criteria. Additional pages or documents supporting your nomination are encouraged, up to a maximum of four pages.*

## Submitted By:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of CEO: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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# PREVIOUS STAR AWARD RECIPIENTS

## CLINICIAN OF THE YEAR

2018	Jennifer Waterman, Hebrew SeniorLife Lois Nevers, Community VNA	2010	Wendy Tryon, Lee Regional VNA	1997	Maureen O'Keefe, Greater Medford VNA
2017	David Ahearn, Baystate Home Health Carlton Jorge, Community Nurse Home Care	2009	Carol Doane, Walpole Area VNA	1996	Susan Cournoyer, VNA & Hospice of Pioneer Valley Laura Fantini, VNA of Boston
2016	Anne Luippold, Salmon VNA & Hospice Mary Ndegwa, Comfort Home Care	2008	Peggy Goode, MetroWest Home Care & Hospice	1995	Jean Longo, VNA of Boston
2015	Michelle Michaud, Circle Home Care Janet Fuller, Medical Resources Home Health	2007	Lisa Angeloni, VNA Care Network & Hospice Kathleen Olson, Home Health VNA	1994	Yooko Raiche, VNA of the North Shore
2014	Patty Martin, Community Nurse & Hospice Care Pauline Knight, VNA of Greater Lowell	2006	Marcia Spraker-Cavallo, Partners Home Care	1993	Kimberly DuBois, VNA of Southern Worcester County
2013	Patricia Darling, VNA of Boston Shirley Lucier, VNA Care Network & Hospice	2005	Jean Chirstopher, VNA of Boston	1992	Sharon Katz, Millbury District Nursing Society
2011	Jeff Doucette, Home Health VNA	2004	Elizabeth Savaria-Porter, Caritas Home Care	1991	Leona Mattson, Brockton VNA
2010	Kimberly Halloran, VNA of Greater Lowell	2003	Sharon Oliveira, VNA of Southeastern MA		Lorraine Langlois, Samaritan Health and Home Care
		2002	Dorothy Campbell, Chicopee VNA	1990	Alice Hadley, VNA of Northern Berkshire
		2001	Susan Crowley, Caritas Home Care	1989	Jean Edmiston, NeWell Home Health Services
		2000	Beverly Quintin, Community Nurse Association of Fairhaven		
		1998	Nancy Broderick, Newton-Wellesley Home Health Svcs		

## AIDE OF THE YEAR

2018	Rachel Oscar Constant, New Outlook Homecare Pam Ripley, Porchlight Home Care	2013	Ginger Shugrue, Home Instead Senior Care of Pittsfield	2007	Annette Huckins, Home Health VNA
2017	Gach Clamp, Emerson Hospital Homecare Nancy Quinlan, Aberdeen Home Care	2011	Kim Lilley, Auburn VNA Health Network	2006	Jackie Dewing, ABC Home & Healthcare Professionals
2016	Jane Rizza, Home Health VNA	2010	Patricia Gagnon, Medical Resources Home Health Corp.	2005	Fred Maguire, Partners Home Care
2015	Judith Clervil, Residential Support Services, Inc.	2009	Tama Lewis, Visiting Angels of Newton & Canton	2004	Narcy Kwagala, HouseWorks
2014	Brenda Brumley, Mercy Home Care	2008	Betty Mensah, U Mass Memorial Home Health & Hospice	2003	Camille Soucy, VNA Care Network
				2002	Stephen LaBrie, All Care VNA
				2001	Daphne Calkins, Spectrum Home Health Care

## MANAGER OF THE YEAR

2018	Kelley MacDonald, Home Health VNA	2009	Kathryn Baker, VNA of Greater Lowell	1998	Joan Whittington, VNA of Southeastern MA
2017	Arlene McKenzie, Walpole Area VNA Susan Proulx-Galster, Circle Home	2008	Leslie Bresnahan, Home Health VNA	1997	Judi Boyko, Natick VNA
2016	Darlene Connolly, Steward Home Care	2007	Valerie DiPietro, All Care Hospice	1996	Frances Moran, VNA & Hospice of Pioneer Valley
2015	Michelle Landry, Brockton VNA	2006	Rita Roche, Home Health VNA	1995	Monica Alley, REW Home Health Care Agency
2014	Maureen Groden, VNA & Hospice of Cooley Dickinson Dawn M. Sullivan, Community VNA	2005	Annemarie Martin, VNA of Boston	1994	Joyce Giberti, VNA of Central & Outer Cape Cod
2013	Barbara Brooks, VNA Care Network & Hospice Susan Sullivan, Community Nurse & Hospice Care	2004	Gina Mazza, VNA & Hospice of Cooley Dickinson	1993	Barbara Lawless, Walpole Area VNA
2011	Kathleen Quirk, CareGroup Home Care	2003	Karen Agahigian, VNA of Middlesex-East/ Visiting Nurse Hospice	1992	Eileen McCook, VNA of Southeastern MA
2010	Tammie Ryan, South Shore VNA	2002	Nancy Robinson, Home Health VNA	1990	Marie McKenty, Health and Home Care Services of Martha's Vineyard
		2001	Stephanie Mello-Gaskell, VNA of Southeastern MA	1989	Linda Donoghue, Home Care p.r.n.
		2000	Irene Sommers, VNA of Greater Lowell		

## PHYSICIAN OF THE YEAR

2018	Steven Strongwater, Atrius Health	2010	James M. Maguire, Cape Ann Medical Center	2001	Geraldine Zagarella & John Jainchill, Urban Medical Group
2017	David Prybyla, MD, Orthopaedics Surgical Associates	2008	Thomas Judd, Holyoke Medical Center	2000	Rosemary Ryan, VNA Care Hospice
2016	David Green, MD, Emerson Hospital Home Care	2007	Matthew M. Shuster, Harvard Vanguard Medical Associates	1998	Lawrence Bernstein, Jewish Geriatric Services
2015	Cara Chevalier, MD, Hallmark Health VNA & Hospice			1997	Robert Lille
2014	William E. Caplan, MD, Hawthorn Medical Associates	2004	Robert Witzburg, BU School of Medicine	1996	C. Douglas Taylor
2013	James Everett, Hospice of the South Shore	2003	Terrence O'Malley, Partners Health Care System	1995	Steven Paris, Goddard Medical Associates
2011	Barbara Pearl, Community Nurse & Hospice Care	2002	Francis Campion, Caritas Christi Health Care		

## LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR

2017	Representative Aaron Vega	2003	Congressman Edward Markey	1997	Senator Richard Tisei
2016	Senator Barbara L'Italien	2002	Senator Richard Moore	1996	Representative Robert DeLeo
2015	Elizabeth Warren, United States Senate	2001	US Senator John Kerry	1995	Senator Paul White
2014	Representative Patricia Jehlen	2000	US Senator Edward Kennedy	1994	Senator Therese Murray
2013	Representative Kate Hogan	1998	Congressman James McGovern	1993	Representative Thomas Finneran
2005	Representative Steven M. Walsh			1992	Representative Thomas Kennedy
2004	Senator Michael Knapik			1991	Representative Carmen Buell
	Representative Daniel Keenan	1997	Senator Mark Montigny	1990	Representative Kenneth Lemanski
				1989	Congressman Brian Donnelly

## LEADERSHIP & COLLABORATION AWARD

2016	Roxanna Harper & Jo Ann Wagner, Baystate VNA & Hospice
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## HOME CARE CHAMPION

2018	Kathleen Trier, Community VNA	2007	Mary Ann Preskul-Ricca, MA Association of Health Plans	1998	Alison Cohen, Mariner Publications
2017	MA Pediatric Home Nursing Care Campaign			1997	Suzin Bartley, Children's Trust Fund
2016	Meg Doherty, NVNA & Hospice	2006	B. Carter White, Richmond	1996	Mike Eruzione, Boston Bruins
2015	Timothy Burgers, Home Care Alliance of MA	2005	Robert Simione, Simione Consultants, LLC	1995	Ruth E. Hurley, VNA of Southeastern MA
2014	Gene Lindsey, Atrius Health	2004	Carol Wilcoxson, VNA Care Network	1994	Kenneth Abrahams, A&P Waldbaum's Foodmart
2013	Val Halamandaris, National Assoc. for Home Care & Hospice	2003	Peggy Munro, MA Council for Home Care Aide Services	1993	Jerrilynn Ricciardone, VNA of Southeastern MA
2011	Dr. Terrence O'Malley, Partners Healthcare At Home	2002	Tom Zuppa, Dave Perry, & Cheryl Miller, The Lowell Sun	1992	Alderman John Flynn, Chicopee
2010	Joan Stygles Hull, Home Health VNA			1991	Sue Welpton, Brookline Council on Aging
2009	Robert Dwyer, Norwell VNA	2001	Myra Herrick, VNA Care Network	1990	Betty Hamilton, Millbury District Nursing Society
2008	Patricia M. Kelleher, Home Care Alliance of MA	2000	Christine Griffin, Disability Law Center	1989	Colleen Dearmin, VNA of the South Shore Kathy Tobin, WGGB-TV