



THE COMMONWEALTH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION (CMA) HEALTHCARE EXCELLENCE AWARDS:

Description and Eligibility summaries

AWARD DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY
<p>1: CMA Physician of the Year Excellence Award</p> <p><u>DESCRIPTION OF Award</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The CMA Physician Excellence Award recognizes the most skilled and dedicated physicians. Individuals who demonstrate exceptional skills in clinical and health practice, and a commitment to the mission, vision, and values of the CMA. ❖ The Commonwealth Physician Excellence Award will be given to the physician who consistently achieves high standards in the practice of medicine and health, and is looked upon as a role model by his or her peers. ❖ The object of the Award is to honour outstanding, skilled and dedicated physicians with a demonstrable track record of contributing to the improvement of the health, well-being and/or human rights of his/her patients and/or the country and community within which he/she works. 	<p><u>ELIGIBILITY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Award is open to all fully qualified physicians (medical or surgical, community or hospital based) that are in active clinical service (public or private) within the Commonwealth of Nations at the time the nomination is submitted; and still in active clinical service within the Commonwealth of nations at the time the Award is announced.

2: CMA Healthcare Innovator of the Year
Excellence Award

DESCRIPTION OF AWARD

- ❖ The CMA Medical/Health Innovator Excellence Award is intended to honour the healthcare professional or team within the commonwealth who demonstrates a visionary approach to problem solving and performance improvement.
- ❖ The object of the Award is to recognize original, creative and innovative approaches that demonstrably improve the health, well-being and/or human rights of patients, and/or countries and communities within the commonwealth of nations.

ELIGIBILITY

- ❖ The Award is open to all healthcare professionals, teams and institutions that are in active service (public or private) within the Commonwealth of Nations at the time the nomination is submitted; and still in active service within the Commonwealth of nations at the time the award is announced.

3: CMA Young Physician of the Year Excellence Award

DESCRIPTION OF AWARD

- ❖ This Award aims to recognize a physician in training that is an exceptional medical professional at his / her level of career progression. Furthermore, that they are committed to improving the quality of care provided to their patients or wider community.

ELIGIBILITY

- ❖ The Award is open to all trainee physicians (medical or surgical, community or hospital based) that are in active clinical service (public or private) as a trainee physician within the Commonwealth of Nations at the time the nomination is submitted; and still in active clinical service as a trainee



<p>The trainee: acts as a true advocate for the patients they care for, has superb communication skills, is willing to go the extra mile and demonstrates exceptional work ethic without seeking reward, and has demonstrated commitment to quality improvement. This doctor quietly provides both excellent patient care and support to his / her colleagues.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The object of the Award is to honour outstanding, skilled and dedicated physicians in training with a demonstrable track record of contributing to the improvement of the health, well-being and/or human rights of his/her patients, and/or the country and community within which he/she works. 	<p>physician within the Commonwealth of nations at the time the award is announced.</p>
<p>4: CMA Medical / Health Researcher of the Year Excellence Award</p> <p><u>DESCRIPTION OF AWARD</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The object of the Award is to recognize contributions to and encourage research made by health researchers in the Commonwealth. ❖ It is also to honour outstanding research conducted by a medical or health researcher working within the 	<p><u>ELIGIBILITY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Award is open to all medical or health researchers working within the Commonwealth of Nations. ❖ Applicants are required to be either the first or second author of the submitted research.



<p>Commonwealth of Nations.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ There can only be one submission per applicant. ❖ Submissions must be a completed original piece of research.
<p>5: CMA President's Excellence Award <u>DESCRIPTION OF AWARD</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The CMA President's Excellence Award may be given to an NMA member who has given outstanding service to the CMA and the Commonwealth, either through the CMA or through their National Medical Association (NMA), demonstrating excellence in service and care outcome, and professionalism. ❖ The object of the Award is to honour an NMA member who has given outstanding service to an NMA within the commonwealth of nations. 	<p><u>ELIGIBILITY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Award is open to all NMA members within the commonwealth of nations. ❖ There can only be one submission per applicant.
<p>6: CMA Health Facility Excellence Award- (PRIVATE) <u>DESCRIPTION OF AWARD</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The CMA Health Facility Award (PRIVATE) is an award category that aims to recognize and award Private-owned health facilities and their teams that are innovative and have excelled in providing quality health services. 	<p><u>ELIGIBILITY</u></p> <p>All Private-owned health facilities (at primary, secondary, tertiary, and quaternary levels) within the Commonwealth of Nations who have been nominated appropriately for the</p>



<p>with optimal use of resources.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The objective of this Award is to ascertain Health facility's infrastructure, equipment and ambience, research and technological innovation, clinical governance including patient satisfaction, and corporate social responsibility, amongst others, that reflect initiatives towards advancing quality care, relative to available resources, and benchmarked globally. 	<p>award.</p>
<p>7: CMA Rural Medical Practitioner of the Year Excellence Award</p> <p><u>DESCRIPTION OF AWARD</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The CMA Rural Medical Practitioner Excellence Award aims to recognize Doctors practicing in rural areas and their teams, that are innovative, providing quality health services, with good allocation of resources, and overall strive for excellence, despite the constraints of a rural environment. ❖ The Award is also to recognize rural medical practitioners who have made significant and demonstrable positive impacts in their environments of practice and contributed immensely to knowledge about rural practices, helping to bring to focus the peculiar challenges that exist in those places. 	<p><u>ELIGIBILITY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ All practicing Rural Medical Practitioners within the Commonwealth of Nations at the time the nomination is submitted and when the award is announced.



8: CMA Patients' Association of the Year Excellence Award

DESCRIPTION OF AWARD

- ❖ The CMA Patients' Association Excellence Award is intended to honour a Patients' Association within the Commonwealth of Nations that demonstrates a sustained record of campaigning to improve patients' experience of care and solving problems in the country's health sector to improve performance, quality and safe outcomes of care.
- ❖ The object of the Award is also to recognize original, creative and innovative approaches that demonstrably improve the health, well-being and human rights of patients within the Commonwealth of Nations.
- ❖ The Awardee Association shall be one that covers all issues that affect patients, including public health and social care, and shall not be only concerned with single or organ-specific conditions.

ELIGIBILITY

- ❖ All Patients' Associations that are in active service within the Commonwealth of Nations at the time the nomination is submitted; and still in active service within the Commonwealth of Nations at the time the award is announced.

9: Government of the Year Healthcare Excellence Award

DESCRIPTION OF AWARD

ELIGIBILITY



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The CMA Government of the Year Excellence Award is an award category that aims to recognize and award Governments (at subnational and national levels) that have demonstrated commitment to and implementation of Universal Health Coverage; the health, wellbeing and human rights of their citizens, with evidence of strengthening their health systems. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Governments (at subnational and national levels) within the Commonwealth of Nations at the time the nomination is submitted and when the award is announced.
<p>10: CMA Health Advocate of the Year Excellence Award</p> <p><u>DESCRIPTION OF AWARD</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The object of the CMA Health Advocate of the Year Excellence Award is to recognize and award a deserving person (s) or a team (s) from a Commonwealth member country who exemplifies a visible outspokenness and demonstrable impact as a champion of health and/or healthcare in their country or across The Commonwealth. ❖ The Award is also to recognize individuals and teams whose advocacy activities have led to exceptional demonstrable strengthening of the health system of their communities or countries, including improved health, wellbeing and development indices. 	<p><u>ELIGIBILITY</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Award is open to any person or group of persons/team in the Commonwealth of Nations or any person (s) in Government (either serving or having served government), Management, or from any professional backgrounds, including public servants, legislature, politics, the professions, business, and others.



11: CMA Health Professional/Healthcare Worker of the Year Excellence Award

ELIGIBILITY

DESCRIPTION OF AWARD

- ❖ The CMA Health Professional/Healthcare worker of the Year Excellence Award recognizes the most skilled and dedicated Health professionals/ Healthcare workers who demonstrate exceptional skills in clinical and health practice at the point-of-care, and a commitment to the mission, vision, and values of the CMA.
- ❖ The Award will be given to the Health Professional/Healthcare worker who consistently achieves high standards in health care service delivery, and is looked upon as a role model by his or her peers.
- ❖ The object of the Award is to honour outstanding, skilled and dedicated Health Professionals/Healthcare workers with a demonstrable track record of contributing to the improvement of the health, well-being and/or human rights of their patients and/or the country and community within which they work.

- The Award is open to all fully qualified Health professionals/ Healthcare workers that are in active clinical service (public or private) within the Commonwealth of Nations at the time the nomination is submitted; and still in active clinical service within the Commonwealth of nations at the time the award is announced.

12: CMA Health Facility of the Year Excellence Award – (PUBLIC)

DESCRIPTION OF AWARD

- ❖ The CMA Health Facility Excellence Award

ELIGIBILITY

- All Public (Government)-owned health facilities (at primary,



(PUBLIC) aims to recognize Public (Government)-owned health facilities and their teams that are innovative, providing demonstrable quality health services, within allocated resources, and overall strive for excellence.

- ❖ The objective of this award is to ascertain Health facility's infrastructure, equipment and ambience, research and technological innovation, clinical governance including client satisfaction, and corporate social responsibility.

secondary, tertiary, and quaternary levels) within the Commonwealth of Nations at the time the nomination is submitted and when the Award is announced.


STAGES OF SUBMISSION AND PROCESSING OF NOMINATIONS

- ❖ **FIRST STAGE:** Nominations (using the CMA Nomination form downloaded from the CMA Website) are submitted, either by applicants themselves or by those wishing to submit nomination (s), to the National Medical Association (NMA) in each country, for vetting/ratification and shortlisting.
- ❖ **SECOND STAGE:** Shortlisted nominees are sent to the CMA by the NMA, to enter the selection round at CMA level.
- ❖ **THIRD STAGE:** CMA Award Committee performs the screening and then shortlists not more than three nominees per category of Award, and then submits the shortlist to the CMA Independent Panel of Judges.
- ❖ **FOURTH STAGE:** CMA Independent Panel of Judges does the final selection of ONE overall Award winner per Award category.
- ❖ **FIFTH STAGE:** The successful nominees/ applicant(s) will be awarded by The CMA Executive Committee.
- ❖ Completed nomination forms must be accompanied by written statements from the nominator and two or more written statements by peers or



colleagues or patients (not relatives) that are reflective of the nominee's qualifications and contributions.

- ❖ The written statements should describe how the nominee demonstrates (1) behaviours / attitude and professional activities including outcomes that show excellence in practice and (2) commitment to the values, objectives, mission and vision of the Commonwealth Medical Association.
- ❖ Each written nomination/written statement should be titled and should include the name of the person or institution being nominated, and should be signed by the author, with inclusion of the author's title and working relationship with the person or institution being nominated.
- ❖ Because the nomination process is competitive, it is strongly recommended that additional supporting documents/documentation may be supplied.
- ❖ Nominators and colleagues/patients must not be related to the nominee.

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