



# 2017 AVA Impact Award Nomination Guidelines

The *Impact Award* will honor and recognize an AVA member(s) who has made significant contributions to the specialty practice of vascular access at a local level. This award will be awarded to one to three members each year. The members nominated for this award will have demonstrated examples of exceptional leadership within their organization, community and/or region.

## The Award

The award recipient(s) will be awarded a complementary registration to attend the 2017 AVA Annual Scientific Meeting [www.avainfo.org/annual](http://www.avainfo.org/annual) (Pre-Meeting Workshop registration not included), and will be recognized and presented with an award during the annual meeting. If a recipient is unable to attend the 2017 annual meeting, the registration may be deferred to the next year. The registration is not transferable, and cannot be redeemed for cash.

## Nomination Rules

- Nominations must be submitted electronically at [www.avainfo.org/Impact](http://www.avainfo.org/Impact).
- A complete nomination requires signatures of 3 supporters and the nominee's CV.
- Those people nominating or supporting can only submit on behalf of 1 nominee per year.
- Self-nominations are not permitted.
- Current AVA Board Members may not nominate, be nominated or review nominations.
- Nominations due no later than April 21, 2017.
- The AVA Board of Directors appoints a review team to review and score the nominations.
- Those selected for the review team may not nominate or support a current year's nominee.
- Nominations are reviewed and scored based upon defined criteria listed below.

## The nominee will be scored on the following criteria

- Exhibits commitment to the AVA mission.
- Demonstrates exceptional and sustained participation, leadership and/or contributions to the specialty practice of vascular access within one's organization, community and/or region.
- Possesses a minimum of five (5) years' experience in the specialty practice of vascular access.
- Exhibits sustained commitment to advancing the practice of vascular access through education, clinical practice, research and/or technological innovation or advancement.
- Motivates, mentors and inspires the professional development of others.
- Establishes and maintains a high level of integrity and performance by leading through example.

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- Demonstrates evidence of multidisciplinary, interdisciplinary and/or transdisciplinary collaboration to promote optimal outcomes.
- Develops, reviews and/or applies evidence to enhance the specialty of vascular access and ensure evidence-based practice.
- Promotes public and professional awareness of the specialty practice of vascular access.

## Award Review Process

- The AVA Awards Task Force appoints a review team to review and score the nominations.
- Those selected for the review team may not nominate or support a current year's nominee.
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## How to Submit Your Nomination

1. Find 2 other people to support your nominee. Supporters can come from any of the following categories: colleague, recipient of care or a significant other, employer, supervisor, mentor, mentee, or community service organization.
2. Review the Nomination Form.
3. Collaborate with your supporters to complete the Nomination Form; explain why you are nominating this individual and provide facts that will support each of the above listed criteria.
4. Upload the Nomination Form and the nominee's CV at [www.avainfo.org/Impact](http://www.avainfo.org/Impact) no later than April 21, 2017.

Any questions about these guidelines or how to nominate can be sent to Tonya Hutchison at [thutchison@avainfo.org](mailto:thutchison@avainfo.org)

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