



# 2019 Awards Nomination Guide

Nominations due Friday, August 16

Nominate today at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OHCA2019Awards>

Awards will be presented at the  
**OHCA Annual Convention & Trade Show**  
November 19-20, 2019 | Oregon Convention Center



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The OHCA Annual Convention Awards Program honors long term care professionals, residents, volunteers, and business partners for outstanding service to Oregon's long term care and community based care residents and clients.

Deadline: Nomination materials must be submitted online by 5pm on Friday, August 16, 2019.

Nomination Requirements: Each nomination should be accompanied by an essay outlining how the nominee meets and demonstrates the criteria into his/her daily routine. Each essay should be no longer than 300 words in length. In the essay, please refer to the person as "the nominee" and do not identify the nominee's name, community, or location.

Submit online only: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OHCA2019Awards>.

Eligibility Criteria: All nominees must meet the following basic criteria:

- Must have a minimum of two (2) years of experience in the profession and have worked at his/her current facility/company for at least six (6) months as of July 1, 2019.
- Must be employed by/resident of/volunteer at an OHCA member facility/agency/company in good standing.
- Exhibit exemplary leadership, communication, and teamwork skills that are inherent in providing high quality care.
- Shows respect for residents, co-workers, family members, and other volunteers at all times.
- Displays integrity, initiative and a high standard of ethical behavior.
- Demonstrates outstanding person centered care, achieves a heightened quality of life for residents.
- Empowers residents to achieve individual autonomy, dignity, and quality of life in their daily living.
- Creates a positive working environment for staff.
- Exhibits an active role in the local community to enhance the lives of the residents and demonstrate the commitment to contributing to the overall welfare of the community.

General Rules and Guidelines:

- All nomination forms received will be verified to ensure that all nominees are members in good standing within OHCA.
- Recipients will be selected and notified no later than September 13, 2019. Awards will be presented at the Awards Ceremony luncheon at the OHCA Annual Convention & Trade Show on November 20, 2019, at the Oregon Convention Center. Award recipients are encouraged to attend the event.
- Cite specific programs created to assist and provide ongoing support.
- All materials, essays, and photos submitted become the property of OHCA and may be used in OHCA publications and websites. Submitted materials will not be returned.
- Previous recipients of these awards are not eligible to win the same award within two (2) years.

Disclaimer: OHCA reserves the right not to give an award if fewer than five (5) nominations are submitted for a category. All activities demonstrated by nominees and used in submitted nominations must have been performed in compliance with applicable state and federal labor laws.

Questions: Contact Melodie King, CMP, OHCA Director of Education, [mking@ohca.com](mailto:mking@ohca.com) or (503) 726-5227.

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## Administrator of the Year Awards

Two awards will be given: one for community based care and one for skilled care. These awards recognize the achievements and commitments of facility administrators and executive directors whose leadership have improved their facilities overall and who demonstrate outstanding innovation, achievement, and a high standard of ethical behavior in their provision of high quality person centered care.

### Past Recipients:

2018	Dora Howard	Pioneer Village
2018	Marcus Roshak	Avamere at Crestview
2017	Angie Kutsch	The Oaks at Lebanon
2017	Amanda Pearlman	Cascade Terrace
2016	Erin Jones	Emerson House, CBC
2016	Wade Bennett	Avamere Rehab Beaverton, Skilled Care
2015	Andrew Becker	The Pearl at Kruse Way

## Above and Beyond Service Award

This award recognizes the achievements and commitments of an employee from any department who has shown initiative and performs above and beyond the call of duty. This category includes but is not limited to direct care staff and staff working within your community's housekeeping, dietary, activities/recreation, laundry, and maintenance departments.

### Past Recipients:

2018	Isabella Pagano	Activity Director	Avamere at Cascadia Village
2017	Beondi Hewson	Environmental Services Director	Pioneer Village
2016	Clark Anderson	Maintenance Director	Bayside Terrace
2015	Kim Burris	Dietary Manager	Marquis Mt. Tabor
2015	Dave Klein	Maintenance Director	Emerson House

## Caregiver of the Year Award

This award recognizes the achievements and commitments of a direct care staff member whose contributions have led to the improved quality of life for residents and who creates a better work environment for co-workers.

### Past Recipients:

2018	Veronica Quintero	C.N.A.	Columbia Basin Care
2018	Youa Her	Resident Assistant	Edgewood Point Assisted Living
2017	Regina Burton	Med-Tech	Pioneer Village
2017	Troy Alexander	Medication Aide	Our House of Portland
2016	Caroline Alden	Caregiver/Med-Tech	The Springs at Wilsonville
2015	Olga Espinoza	Lead Med Aide	Grace Place

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## Enrichment of Life Award: Employee/Employee Group

This award recognizes an individual employee or group of employees for contributions that have positively influenced the quality of life for residents or the quality of the working environment for coworkers. If a group is nominated, the description must include the group's purpose and general focus and the impact of the group's efforts.

### Past Recipients:

2018	Lindsey Bretzman	Life Enrichment Director	Emerson House
2018	Rachel Langford	Activity Director	Chateau Gardens
2017	Shirley Zondervan	Vitality Coordinator	Town Center Village
2017	Christine Strawn	Recreation Assistant	Lebanon Veterans Home
2016	Mary Luther	Life Enrichment Director	Ocean Ridge Assisted Living
2016	Elaine Manly	Housekeeping Manager	Our House
2015	Joshua Moss	Physical Therapy Assistant	Cascade Terrace

## Enrichment of Life Award: Resident/Resident Group

This award recognizes an individual resident or group of residents for contributions that have positively influenced the quality of life for residents or the quality of the working environment for the staff. Empowers fellow residents to achieve individual autonomy, dignity, and quality of life in their daily living.

### Past Recipients:

2018	JoAnn Overn, Elizabeth Bilyeu and Mary Priday	The Springs at Clackamas Woods
2017	Hortencia Estrada	Whitewood Gardens
2016	Bill Dorsett	Prestige Senior living Five Rivers
2015	Sticky Spoon Jammers	Bayside Terrace Retirement

## Innovative Program & Improvement Award

This award recognizes the efforts of a member to satisfy the needs of residents, staff, family, or other customers through an innovative program or interactions with the local community. The award recognizes the development of a creative, original, and unique program or service that benefits or contributes to the quality of operations for a facility overall, the quality of the working environment for the staff and/or the quality of life of the residents. Examples include specific programs created by nominees related to sustainability, wellness, educational activities, collaborations, and community partnerships. The program should provide outreach activities to the local neighborhood/community as well as to the families, staff, and volunteers of the facility. The program must have exhibited a variety of activities for the residents meeting all levels of capabilities and preferences.

### Past Recipients:

2018	Candace Kropetz	Dining Services Director	Bayside Terrace AL
2017	Windsong at Eola Hills Team		Windsong at Eola Hills
2016	Oscar Salgado	Food Services Manager	Oregon Veterans' Home
2016	Sam Currie	Director of Culinary Services	The Springs Living
2015	Lisa Maynard	Director of People and Process	The Springs Living

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## Leadership Award

This award recognizes the achievements and commitment of an employee in an administrative, middle management or supervisory position who demonstrates outstanding compassion, supervisory success, innovation and achievement in their provision of high quality resident centered care.

### Past Recipients:

2018	Sherri Pullen	Dietary Manager	Avamere at Sandy
2018	Amy Brown	Executive Director	The Springs at Carman Oaks
2017	Gordana Hrvic	Resident Care Coordinator	Emerson House
2016	Raeann Voorhies	Reg. Dir. of Operations	Prestige Care
2015	Kristin Jo Siess	Lead Nurse	Our House of Portland

## Nurse Leader Awards

Two awards will be given: one for community based care and one for skilled care. These awards recognize the achievements and commitments of nurse leaders who successfully leads his/her community to deliver outstanding person-centered care and achieves a heightened quality of life for residents.

### Past Recipients:

2018	Christy Jacobo	Health and Wellness Director	Brookdale Mt. Hood
2018	Jeff McKay	Resident Care Manager	Oregon Veterans Home Lebanon
2017	Linda Stanich	Director of Health Services	The Springs at Tanasbourne
2017	Katie McClenan	Director of Nursing	Regency Florence
2016	Julia Arnold	RN Health Services Director	Emerson House, CBC
2016	Kim McBride	Director of Nursing	Gateway Care, Skilled Care

## Outstanding Business Partner of the Year Award

This award recognizes the achievements and commitments of a business partner/vendor whose contributions have improved overall facility operations for a facility or OHCA as an association. Please visit [www.ohca.com/buyersguide](http://www.ohca.com/buyersguide) for a list of eligible business partners.

### Past Recipients:

2018	Charter Construction
2017	Retirement Connection
2016	Health Care Services Group
2015	Filzen Sales and Marketing

## Volunteer of the Year Award

This award will recognize an individual volunteer or group of volunteers who have made positive contributions to the emotional, social, and psychological well-being and quality of life for residents, family members, or the working environment for the staff.

### Past Recipients:

2018	Bill and Joan Kendrick	Ocean Ridge Assisted Living
2017	Sarah Winkler	Life Care Center of Coos Bay
2017	Lillian Knox, Helen Hoxworth, Marlene Norwood	Providence Child Center
2016	Sarah DeWeese	The Pearl at Kruse Way
2015	Linda Arnold	Avamere Rehab of Hillsboro
2015	Gloria Sturtevant	Sheldon Park Assisted Living