



CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Nebraska Excellence Awards in Recovery, Prevention, and Behavioral Health Treatment

September is National Recovery Month and The Office of Consumer Affairs is excited to announce that we will be celebrating this awareness month by recognizing those in our state that have made an impact on the recovery community. The Recovery Excellence Awards will recognize outstanding individuals and organizations who have made exceptional contributions in the fields of recovery, prevention, and behavioral health treatment. These awards aim to acknowledge and celebrate those who have dedicated their efforts to improving the lives of Nebraskans affected by substance use and misuse.

We kindly request your participation and support in this initiative by submitting nominations for deserving individuals or groups who have exemplified excellence in the following categories:

1. Excellence in Recovery and Resiliency:

This award honors an individual or group who leverages their personal lived experience to empower and support others on their journey toward improved health and wellness. They demonstrate a continuing commitment to fostering self-directed lives and helping individuals reach their full potential. Additionally, nominees in this category contribute significantly to increasing awareness and access to recovery services within the community.

2. Excellence in Prevention:

Focused on addiction prevention, this award recognizes an organization or individual who actively promotes drug awareness in their community. By raising awareness about overdose prevention through their platform or services, they play a vital role in fostering a positive environment and establishing connections with those seeking recovery.

3. Excellence in Behavioral Health Treatment:

In this category, we seek to honor an individual behavioral health provider or organization that exhibits exceptional dedication to building effective behavioral health systems. By enabling Nebraskans to access quality treatment and services for substance use disorders within their communities, nominees in this category go above and beyond to engage individuals and ensure they receive the support they deserve.

To nominate a candidate or organization, please complete the attached nomination form and return it to us by September 8, 2023. We encourage you to provide detailed information about the nominee's accomplishments and how they align with the above criteria.

We appreciate your involvement and encourage you to share this call for nominations with others who may be interested in participating. By working together, we can recognize and celebrate the remarkable work being done across Nebraska to foster recovery, prevention, and behavioral health treatment.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us at jennifer.ihle@nebraska.gov.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to receiving your nominations.

Sincerely,
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The specific criteria for each category of the Excellence Awards in Recovery, Prevention, and Behavioral Health Treatment are as follows:

1. Excellence in Recovery Support Services:

- Demonstrated commitment to helping individuals in their recovery journey.
- Provision of innovative and evidence-based recovery support services.
- Positive impact on the recovery community through programs and initiatives.
- Collaboration with other organizations and stakeholders to enhance recovery support.

2. Excellence in Prevention:

- Implementation of effective prevention strategies to address substance use disorders and behavioral health issues.
- Collaboration with communities and organizations to develop prevention programs.
- Utilization of evidence-based practices and research in prevention efforts.
- Demonstration of measurable outcomes and positive impact in reducing substance abuse and promoting behavioral health.

3. Excellence in Behavioral Health Treatment:

- Dedication to building effective behavioral health systems and providing quality treatment and services.
- Accessibility and availability of treatment options for individuals in need.
- Engagement of individuals in treatment and ensuring they receive prompt and appropriate support.
- Demonstrated commitment to addressing substance use disorders and improving behavioral health outcomes.

These criteria highlight the qualities and accomplishments that nominees in each category should possess. When submitting a nomination, it is important to provide detailed information (300 characters or less) about how the individual or organization aligns with these specific criteria.



NOMINATION



NAME:

INDIVIDUAL

ORGANIZATION



EXCELLENCE IN RECOVERY SUPPORT SERVICES



EXCELLENCE IN PREVENTION



EXCELLENCE IN BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TREATMENT



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