



Professional Caregiver Award Application

Deadline: **July 31st**

Strong Heart Professional Caregiver Award

The North Texas Area Gerontological Society (NTAGS) believes that professional caregivers who demonstrate above and beyond commitment to promoting and preserving quality of life for elderly, disabled and vulnerable adults deserve appreciation and recognition. The NTAGS Strong Heart Professional Caregiver Awards recognizes direct-care professional caregivers who have provided exceptional care and service to an adult or adults who are elderly, disabled or otherwise vulnerable and are employed either:

1. in a facility (hospital, skill nursing, rehabilitation, assisted living, etc.) or
2. in a private-care environment (home health, home care, hospice, etc.)

Eligibility

Any caregiver employed by an individual, agency or organization to provide direct care (personal care, nursing, etc.). The caregiver must have worked an average of at least 15 hours per week during the current calendar year.

Nominations

Nominations must be made on behalf of the caregiver's employer, on the form provided. Form must be typed and submitted online or by e-mail to info@ntags.org by **July 31st**. Hand-written forms will not be accepted. The nominator shall not exceed the spaces provided. Submission of resumes, photos, newspaper articles, etc. is not permitted and will not be considered as part of the judging process. After final winners have been determined, the Award Committee may request these additional items for presentation purposes.

Evaluation & Selection of Candidates

The members of the North Texas Area Gerontological Society will evaluate nominees for the award and select finalists and winners using basic criteria outlined below.

1. The nominees shall be employed as a caregiver to an adult or adults who are elderly, disabled or otherwise vulnerable.
2. The nominee must have been employed by the nominating agency or individual for at least 12 consecutive months.
3. The nominee must have demonstrated a commitment to serving vulnerable adults.
4. The nominee must have given care and service beyond the scope of their job description.

Procedure The nominator shall complete the form provided.

NTAGS Board and Award Committee members will have the opportunity to review and rate all applications on scale of 1-5. Top 5 candidates will be selected based on total score of all ratings received. Members of this group will recuse themselves from voting on any category in which their company has a caregiver nominated.



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Name of Nominee: _____

Nominee Email: _____ Nominee Phone: _____

Employer: _____

Submitted By: _____ Length of Employment: _____

Email Address: _____ Employer Phone: _____

The nominee is employed: at a facility in home care

Award Criteria

Describe the nominee's typical job responsibilities:

Why have you nominated this individual for the Professional Direct-Care Caregiver award?

Give three examples of how the nominee has gone above and beyond their assigned duties

Give an example of how the nominee demonstrates their commitment to caring for older adults, adults with disabilities and/or other vulnerable adult population

What else should we know about the nominee?