



## 2023 Virginia Rural Health Association Awards CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

All Virginia Rural Health Association members and member organizations are invited to submit nominations for the 2022 Virginia Rural Health Association Awards. Nominees are not required to be members of the association. Commitment and service to the advancement of rural health in Virginia may be in the form of direct provision of health care services, governmental or educational advocacy, activities or research that improves the health of communities or populations.

Nominations should be made by completing and submitting this form with your written narrative to:

**Beth O'Connor** [boconnor@vrha.org](mailto:boconnor@vrha.org)

**Deadline to nominate is October 6, 2023.**

### **Awards Categories:**

#### **Lawmaker of the Year**

Lawmaker of the Year is designed to give special recognition to an elected official at any level who has demonstrated support for improving health in rural Virginia.

#### **The Charles Crowder, Jr. Award**

This award is given annually by the Virginia Rural Health Association to recognize outstanding individual commitment and service to the advancement of rural health in Virginia.

#### **The Best Practices in Rural Health Award**

This award is given annually by the Virginia Rural Health Association to recognize a program or institution that exemplifies commitment and service to the advancement of rural health in Virginia.

#### **The Ken Studer Friend of the Association Award**

This award is given to recognize a program, institution or individual that has advocated for or aided the Association in support of the Association's mission.

**NOMINEE INFORMATION:** (Name as it should appear on all printed materials and award)

<b>Name</b>	
<b>Organization</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
<b>City/State/Zip</b>	
<b>Phone</b>	
<b>Email</b>	

**RURAL AREA(S) AFFECTED BY THE NOMINEE’S WORK (REQUIRED):**

**CATEGORY OF NOMINATION** (please check only one)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Lawmaker of the Year
<input type="checkbox"/>	The Charles Crowder, Jr. Award
<input type="checkbox"/>	Best Practices in Rural Health
<input type="checkbox"/>	The Ken Studer Friend of the Association

**NOMINATOR INFORMATION:**

*If your nominee is chosen, you will be asked to contact the honoree upon winning and be the central communications for the honoree.*

<b>Name</b>	
<b>Organization</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
<b>City/State/Zip</b>	
<b>Phone</b>	
<b>Email</b>	

**NOMINEE’S CONTRIBUTION TO RURAL HEALTH CARE (REQUIRED):**

Please attach a written description of the nominee’s contribution to rural health care and attach to this nomination form. If your nominee is chosen, your written description will be used at the awards banquet. The description should include those attributes that set this nominee’s work apart from others in their field. For example: demonstrable lasting change in health status, innovation or creativity, impact as demonstrated by replication or community acceptance, or ongoing influence in rural health improvement.

**Your nominee is competing against others. The only information that the committee will use in making its decision is what you provide in your written description. Please be very specific about why your nominee should be chosen. A resume or CV may also be included for the nominations of individuals and does not count toward the page limit. Page limit: 2 pages**

**Signature of Nominator:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any questions, please contact Beth O’Connor at 540-231-7923 or [boconnor@vrha.org](mailto:boconnor@vrha.org).