

National Center for Ethics in Health Care (10P6) Veterans Health Administration 810 Vermont Ave., NW Washington, DC 20420		<i>William A. Nelson Award for Excellence in Health Care Ethics Nomination Form</i>		
Nominee Information				
1. Name (<i>Last, First, MI</i>)		2. Title and Office Name		
3. Network Number	4. Facility Number	5. Mail Symbol	6. Phone Number	
7. Justification. <i>Identify primary and/or secondary areas of achievement (i.e., Education, Consultation, Policy Development, Scholarship, Leadership) and explain the rationale for recognition.</i>				
8. Supervisor's Name (<i>Last, First, MI</i>)		9. Supervisor's Title		
Nominator Information				
10. Name of Nominating Official (<i>Last, First, MI</i>)	11. Title	12. Office Name	13. Mail Symbol	14. Phone No.
Approvals				
Field Only				
15. Signature (<i>Facility Director</i>)		16. Signature (<i>Network Director</i>)		
Central Office Only				
17. Signature (<i>Program Director</i>) (Optional)		18. Signature (<i>Chief Officer</i>)		

Award Criteria

- **Education:** Teaching and/or program development in health care ethics and/or development of educational resources for veterans or VA employees.
- **Consultation:** Contributions that inform, advise, or assist veterans or their families, or VHA staff or managers with ethical dilemmas and decisions (usually through a formal ethics consultation service or advisory committee); and/or contributions to the improved practice of ethics consultation.
- **Policy:** Contributions in the development and implementation of institutional policies that define or promote ethical clinical practice, management decisions, and/or research.
- **Scholarship:** Research and publications that support ethical practice through the development and dissemination of new or refined arguments or insights into ethical problems in health care.
- **Leadership:** Vision and initiative in promoting awareness and systematic improvement in ethical health care.

Nomination Package Checklist

_____ A letter of nomination from the Facility Director for field nominees, or from the VHA Chief Officer or Program Director for Central Office nominees, including a detailed summary of the nominee's contributions and the basis for the nomination; and

_____ Concurrence by the Network Director for field nominees, or the VHA Chief Officer for nominations made by VA Central Office Program Directors; and

_____ The nominee's current curriculum vitae, resume or other summary of education, training, and work history; and

_____ Three letters of support (in addition to the nomination letter) outlining the nominee's contributions; and

_____ A completed nomination application

Please submit the nomination package electronically to Steven.Spickler@va.gov **no later than July 2, 2012**. If you need to send the package via mail, please use the following address:

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If you need assistance, feel free to contact the National Center for Ethics in Health Care at 202-501-0364, vhaethics@va.gov.