



**2017**

**RPAP Rural Physician Award of Distinction  
Nomination Form**

The RPAP Award of Distinction was created in 2002 to recognize the contributions of all rural physicians, especially those ‘unsung heroes’ who provide Alberta rural communities with outstanding medical services and who also make huge contributions to medical practice and their communities.

**Deadline:** Nominations will be accepted up to 4:30 p.m. on

**August 31, 2017**

<b>Name of Nominee:</b>	
Office Address / City / Province / Postal Code:	
Home Address / City / Province / Postal Code:	
Office Phone:	Office Fax:
Home Phone:	Home Fax:
Email:	

<b>Name of Lead Nominator:</b>	
Office Address / City / Province / Postal Code:	
Home Address / City / Province / Postal Code:	
Office Phone:	Office Fax:
Home Phone:	Home Fax:
Email:	
Signature:	

## Step One - Eligibility Criteria

**To be eligible for an RPAP Rural Physician Award of Distinction, the nominee must meet *all* of the following criteria:**

- Yes-** I confirm the nominee presently lives and work in a rural Alberta community, and as done so for more than **twelve (12) years.**

## Step Two - Tell Us about Your Nominee

**On a separate sheet of paper, answer the following questions about your nominee Enclose any information you need to tell the nominee's story including personal anecdotes, testimonials, and narratives from healthcare professionals and community members. We recommend you obtain supporting documentation from nominees if available.**

1. Please describe in detail how the nominee had improved your community. Please include details about the individual's achievements, including details about when and where the achievements occurred. Please include media reports if available.
2. How have the nominee's superior commitment made a difference to your community? This includes contributions to medical practice, the teaching of medical students and/or resident physicians, working within an interdisciplinary team, involvement in medical research, and involvement within the community and community service groups.
3. What are some of the obstacles the nominee has had to overcome personally, professionally, and within the community to achieve their contributions?
4. What are some of the nominee's personal characteristics that have made their achievements possible? How were these attributes important in bringing about superior medical care and positive contributions to their community?



## Step Four – Supporting Documentation

Along with your nomination form, please enclose the following:

### **Resume**

Please attach a copy of the nominee's resume to provide judges with basic biographical information.



### **A minimum of two (2) Letters of Support**

To be eligible for consideration, evidence of community support is required as demonstrated through two letters of support:

- One letter from another individual
- One from a community organization

These letters should make reference to the current year's RPAP Rural Physician Award of Distinction Program, mention your nominee by name, provide brief information on the impact of your nominee's achievements, and indicate your nominee's professionalism and commitment to rural medicine.



### **Promotional Photograph**

A full colour, high resolution (180 dpi or greater) head and shoulders photograph of your nominee is required for RPAP promotional purposes.

## **Submit Your Nomination**

Mail or deliver your completed nomination package by the aforementioned deadline to:

### **Alberta Rural Physician Action Plan**

Award of Distinction Selection Committee  
2801 Telus House, 10020 – 100 Street NW  
Edmonton, AB T5J 0N3

**Please note: To avoid duplication, emailed nomination packages will not be accepted. Incomplete nomination packages will not be accepted.**

## Step Five - Plan to Honour Your Nominee

If your nominee is chosen by the RPAP Award of Distinction Selection Committee, RPAP will work with designated community members to honour the successful recipient.

### The celebration of the successful recipient will include:

- The production of a video profiling the successful recipient. Videos profiling previous year's recipients can be viewed online at: <http://www.rpap.ab.ca/physician-award>
- Recognition of the successful recipient will occur at a future RPAP event. The video and the RPAP Rural Physician Award of Distinction will be presented at this time.

If your nominee is not selected, we encourage you to work with your local community to find other ways to recognize your physician's contributions.

### Questions?

For questions about the nomination package, or the RPAP Awards program, please contact RPAP Communications at [communications@rpap.ab.ca](mailto:communications@rpap.ab.ca); or call toll-free at 1-866-423-9911.

### How did you find out about the RPAP Awards?

Please indicate below how you heard about the RPAP Alberta Rural Physician Award of Distinction. Please check all which apply. Your feedback will help RPAP plan future awards campaigns.

- RPAP Community Recruitment Consultant or other RPAP representative
- RPAP Publication (Website / RPAP Review e-newsletter / social media)
- Advertisement (Newspaper / Radio)
- Story in media (Newspaper / television / radio / online, etc.)
- Other (Please specify): \_\_\_\_\_