



2016

RPAP Alberta Rural Community Physician Attraction and Retention Award Nomination Form

The Alberta Rural Physician Community Attraction and Retention Award recognizes a rural Alberta community that has best developed innovative and collaborative approaches and solutions resulting in successful physician attraction and retention in their area. Communities can nominate themselves or be nominated by others.

Deadline: Nominations will be accepted up to 4:30 p.m. on **June 1, 2016**

Name of the nominee community:	
Name of the lead contact:	
Office Address / City / Province / Postal Code:	
Home Address / City / Province / Postal Code:	
Office Phone:	Office Fax:
Home Phone:	Home Fax:
Email:	

Name of Lead Nominator:	
Organization	
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

Please note - For the purpose of this Award, “rural Alberta” is defined as Alberta communities except:

- Airdrie
- Calgary
- Devon
- Edmonton
- Fort McMurray
- Grande Prairie
- Leduc
- Lethbridge
- Medicine Hat
- Red Deer
- Sherwood Park
- Spruce Grove
- St. Albert
- Stony Plain

To be eligible for an Alberta Rural Community Physician Attraction and Retention Award, the nominee community must meet the following criteria:

- Yes- I confirm the nominee community is a “rural community” as defined above.

Step Two - Tell Us about Your Nominee

1. Please provide a description of the local physician attraction and retention situation in the nominee community and any obstacles that had to be overcome before the new approaches were taken:.

< Type in this box or attach response on a separate sheet of paper. Please provide an example (suggested response 50-200 words) >



2. Please provide a description of the innovative and collaborative solutions or approaches used to overcome physician attraction and retention issues. Who was involved and what exactly was done?

< Type in this box or attach response on a separate sheet of paper. Please provide an example (suggested response 50-200 words) >

3. Please provide describe the results of the innovations/new approaches and how they have led to more successful physician attraction and retention and improved your community. What was achieved? Attach any additional information that you need to tell about this success story (personal anecdotes, testimonials, narratives and pictures)

< Type in this box or attach response on a separate sheet of paper. Please provide an example (suggested response 50-200 words) >



Step Three – Supporting Documentation

Along with your nomination form, please enclose the following:

- A minimum of two (2) Letters of Support**
To be eligible for consideration, evidence of additional community support is required as demonstrated through at least two letters of support for the nomination – one letter from another individual and one from a community organization. These letters should make reference to the Alberta Rural Physician Community Attraction and Retention Award, mention your nominee community by name and provide brief information on the impact of your nominee community's achievements in physician attraction and retention.
- Letter of Agreement**
A letter of agreement, allowing RPAP and award partners to share nomination information with media outlets, will be required upon receipt of the application by RPAP. In addition, the community-award recipients will agree to have representatives available for media coverage of the awards ceremony.

Step Four - Submit Your Nomination

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

RPAP | Health Workforce for Alberta
Community Award Selection Committee
2801 Telus House, 10020 – 100 Street NW
Edmonton, AB T5J 0N3
[Email: info@rpap.ab.ca](mailto:info@rpap.ab.ca)



Step Five - Plan to Honour Your Nominee

If your community is chosen by the RPAP Alberta Rural Community Physician Attraction & Retention Award Selection Committee, RPAP will work with designated community members to honour your success.

The celebration of the successful community will include:

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

Questions?

For questions about the nomination package, or the RPAP Awards program, please contact the Senior Communications and Marketing Consultant at 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): _____

The Alberta Rural Community Physician Attraction and Retention Award, sponsored annually by the Alberta Rural Physician Action Plan (RPAP), was created in 2007 to recognize rural Alberta communities that have best developed innovative and collaborative approaches resulting in successful physician attraction and retention. This community engagement work is an integral part of RPAP's comprehensive and integrated recruitment, attraction and retention programming.

The Alberta Weekly Newspapers Association (AWNA) is the co-sponsor of the 2016 Alberta Rural Community Physician Attraction and Retention Award. The AWNA assists and ensures its members publish high quality community newspapers. The Association achieves this by prioritizing education, marketing and fellowship.