

2024-2025 Award for Excellence in the CanMEDS Health Advocate Role

Purpose

To recognize medical residents who have excelled in the **CanMEDS Health Advocate role** while training at the College of Medicine, University of Saskatchewan.

The Award

- Two awards as determined by the Awards Committee are available on an annual basis.
- One award will be granted to a resident training in Family Medicine; the other award will be granted to a resident training in a Royal College specialty-training program.

Eligibility

Any resident currently enrolled in a College of Medicine (RCPSC or CFPC) postgraduate training program at the University of Saskatchewan.

Selection Criteria

All supporting documents must address the following selection criteria. Incomplete/improperly formatted submissions will not be accepted.

- 1. Excellence in health advocacy in different settings (e.g., clinical, teaching, continuing education, research, program administration, and social settings). Examples include, but are not limited to, advocacy for individual patients, specific population groups, and underserved areas (local, provincial, national, and global), advocacy for the specialty and/or profession.
- 2. Evidence of advocacy work in settings outside of the parent program (e.g., local, provincial, national, or international) and positive impact on outcomes.
- 3. Evidence of resident's advocacy skills and behaviors linked to satisfaction and positive impact on educational outcomes in the program or in a more generalized area.
- 4. Demonstrated commitment to improving advocacy skills.

Nomination Process

Each year the Postgraduate Medical Education Office issues a call for nominations. Undergraduate medical students, residents, faculty and staff of the College of Medicine are eligible to nominate a candidate. Self-nominations are ineligible.

Nominations are currently being accepted for the 2024-2025 Award for Excellence in the CanMEDS Health Advocate Role. The deadline for nominations is May 30th 2025.

Selection Process

Nominations are adjudicated by the CanMEDS Awards Committee, an ad hoc subcommittee of the Postgraduate Medical Education Committee. This committee includes the Postgraduate Medical Education Dean (or designate), a Department Head, one faculty member each from Academic Family Medicine (or designate) and a Royal College Specialty, an undergraduate student representative and a postgraduate resident representative. Other members may be added as designated by the Dean, College of Medicine.

2024-2025 NOMINATION FORM Award for Excellence in the CanMEDS Health Advocate Role

Name of Nominee	
Department/Program	
Phone Number	
Email	
Name of Nominator	
Department/Program	
Phone Number	
Email	
Relationship to Nominee	
Please summarize in a letter your reasons for nomination specifically addressing the selection criteria. The letter must not exceed two pages.	

Supporting Documentation

Each letter must address the selection criteria: excellence in health advocacy in different settings; advocacy work outside home program; advocacy skills and behaviors; commitment (refer to Selection Criteria section on previous page for complete information).

- Letter from nominator (must not exceed two pages).
- A minimum of two additional letters of support from undergraduate medical students, residents, faculty or staff of the College of Medicine. Each letter of support must not exceed one page.
- Additional supporting evidence is required, e.g. resident assessments/ITERs; letters from peers or patients. Supporting documentation must not exceed two pages.

Undergraduate medical students, residents, faculty and staff of the College of Medicine are eligible to nominate a candidate. **Self-nominations are ineligible**.

Nominations must be submitted as a single PDF file with documents in the following order:

- 1. Nomination form
- 2. Letter from nominator
- 3. Two additional letters of support
- 4. Additional supporting evidence

NOTE: All supporting documents must address the selection criteria. Incomplete/improperly formatted submissions will not be accepted.

Nominations must be submitted electronically as a single PDF file to Loni Desanghere: loni.desanghere@usask.ca

Deadline

Nominations received after the deadline will not be considered.