



## Regional and International Award Guidelines

**Deadline: June 24th, 2026**

### Description:

This award is given to current medical students, residents, or fellows who have demonstrated clinical or academic work that focuses on Addiction Psychiatry, can show leadership in the field, and are enrolled in an ACGME or another accredited psychiatry residency program. Awardees host an educational activity in their area after the annual meeting.

### Eligibility Criteria:

- This award is only eligible for current medical students, residents, and fellows with demonstrable interest/work on substance use disorders and co-occurring psychiatric disorders.
- **NOTE: Canadian Applicants can submit for Region IX.**

### Award Selection Criteria:

- Demonstrated interest in Addiction Psychiatry and its compatibility with your career path.
- Applicant's level of Involvement and engagement with people of different backgrounds and experiences.
- Applicant's main goal for participating in the annual meeting.
- Your non-academic endeavors in Addiction Psychiatry.
- Your contributions to scholarly work in SUD, addictions, and/or Addiction Psychiatry.
- Exceptional qualifications from your personal or professional life that warrant consideration for this award.

### Submission Process:

- Complete the [application](#) in its entirety.
  - **NOTE: Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.**
- Required materials:
  - Curriculum Vitae (CV) in PDF format.
  - One letter of reference
  - Statement of Interest in attending AAAP's Annual Meeting. **(limited to two pages)**
    - Introduction and description of yourself and where you are in your career: Include any experiences you have had with Addiction Psychiatry.
    - Describe your career trajectory as you see it unfolding.
      - Where would you like to see yourself in 10 years?
      - What kind of practice interests you?
    - Indicate why you are interested in attending AAAP's meeting.
      - What topics are you most interested in learning about?
    - How might attending impact your career trajectory?
    - Provide an example of your leadership contributions.
  - Educational Activity - [Click here for complete details on the educational activity.](#)

### Recipient Award & Required Deliverables:

- Winners will receive financial aid that will assist with travel expenses, registration, and membership dues at this year's Annual Meeting and Scientific Symposium.
- Winners will also receive a certificate at the ceremony.
- Individuals who receive this award will receive an additional stipend, to implement their proposed educational activity.
- Required to Support AAAP Annual Meeting initiatives, such as helping the *American Journal of Addiction (AJA)*, by authoring meeting summaries and engaging in social media activities.
- Required to Identify at least one committee meeting to attend. Your AAAP Area Director looks forward to supporting you and your engagement in 2027.

**If you have questions or require clarification, please contact [membership@aaap.org](mailto:membership@aaap.org).**