

2020 ASSEMBLY CATCHERS IN THE RYE AWARDS

Recognizing and promoting advocacy for children

The Assembly Catchers in the Rye Awards are the Assembly's most prestigious awards that recognize an AACAP member, an AACAP component, and a regional organization of the AACAP Assembly for outstanding advocacy efforts. In terms of the award:

Advocacy is any activity done by an individual AACAP member, an AACAP component, or an AACAP regional organization on behalf of children and adolescents with mental health problems or for prevention efforts for children and adolescents at risk that directly benefits them or their families. For example, advocacy could include organizing mental health services for an underserved population, advocating for children and families politically, or enhancing the efforts of child and adolescent psychiatrists to provide high quality mental health services. This includes activities through the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry.

AACAP recognizes advocacy in three categories:

- **Individual** that is an AACAP member who advocates for children
- **AACAP Component** (committee or task force) that best advocates for children
- **Regional Organization** of the AACAP Assembly whose activities best highlight the contributions of regional organizations on behalf of children.

Nominations should include a brief paragraph describing the nominee's advocacy work (only one submission per person for each category).

Awards will be presented at the Assembly's fall meeting during AACAP's Annual Meeting in San Francisco, CA, October 2020. Please forward your nominations to:

AACAP Executive
3615 Wisconsin Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20016
or email to executive@aacap.org

Nominations due by June 30, 2020

The Assembly Catchers in the Rye Selection Committee serves as the reviewing body that makes recommendations to the Assembly Executive Committee who selects the final awardees. The committee consists of a Past Assembly Chair, one Delegate representative from each U.S. zone, an ECP Delegate, and a past recipient of the Catchers award (i.e. individual, committee member, or RO officer affiliated with the Assembly). The award name derives from Dr. John Schowalter's Presidential Address in which he alluded to J.D. Salinger's book and Holden Caulfield's response to what he wanted to be when he grew up . . .

"I keep picturing all these little kids playing some game in this big field of rye and all. Thousands of little kids, and nobody's around -- nobody big, I mean -- except me. And I am standing on the edge of some crazy cliff. What I have to do, I have to catch everybody if they start to go over the cliff."



2020 Assembly Catchers Nomination Form: Individual

DATE: _____

NOMINEE: _____

SUBMITTED BY: _____

The nominee advocated for children by *(select all that apply)*:

- Advocating for patients
- Advocating for the profession
- Supporting education, training, and career development
- Defining and supporting professional values
- Enhancing the scientific basis of psychiatric care
- Working to actively change legislation

I am nominating this individual because . . .

Attached are supporting documents for this nomination.



2020 Assembly Catchers Nomination Form: Component

DATE: _____

NOMINEE: _____

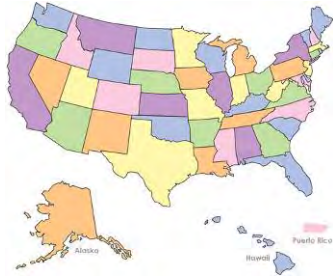
SUBMITTED BY: _____

The nominee advocated for children by *(select all that apply)*:

- Advocating for patients
- Advocating for the profession
- Supporting education, training, and career development
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- Enhancing the scientific basis of psychiatric care
- Working to actively change legislation

I am nominating this component because . . .

Attached are supporting documents for this nomination.



2020 Assembly Catchers Nomination Form: Regional Organization of the Assembly

DATE: _____

NOMINEE: _____

SUBMITTED BY: _____

The nominee advocated for children by (*select all that apply*):

- Advocating for patients
- Advocating for the profession
- Supporting education, training, and career development
- Defining and supporting professional values
- Enhancing the scientific basis of psychiatric care
- Working to actively change legislation

I am nominating this regional organization because . . .

Attached are supporting documents for this nomination.