



Distinguished Advanced Practice Provider Award Criteria

To nominate a colleague please email the nomination form to jennifer@asmbs.org

The Integrated Health (IH) Section of the American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery (ASMBS) recognizes that advanced practice providers practicing in the field of metabolic and bariatric surgery deserve recognition for the dedication, commitment, care, and expertise they provide to patients, families, the community, and colleagues every day. The Distinguished Advanced Practice Professional Award is given to a deserving provider who exemplifies these attributes.

Purpose: To recognize an advanced practice provider who has made an extraordinary effort to promote and further the practice of advanced health care providers in the specialty of metabolic and bariatric surgery beyond the role in the multidisciplinary team/program.

Award Criteria:

- The nominee must be a current Nurse Practitioner, Physician Assistant, or Clinical Nurse Specialist.
- Must be an active member of the ASMBS.
- Must be actively practicing in the field of metabolic and bariatric surgery.
- Must be nominated by a bariatric professional who is also an ASMBS member.
(Note: Self-nominations and nominations of past recipients are not permitted.)

The nominee should demonstrate excellence in one or more of the following areas to enhance and embody the role of advanced practice providers in metabolic and bariatric surgery:

- Actively involved in the American Society for Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery:
 - Committee and/or task force member.
 - Professional Networking Group leader.
- Demonstrates clinical excellence and leadership in Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery through:
 - Providing competent and compassionate care to the bariatric surgery patient and population affected by severe obesity.
- Collaboration with other members of the Integrated Health team to provide and promote high-quality care to the metabolic and bariatric surgery patient;

improvement studies; authors or co-authors articles, manuscripts, participates in literature review, evidence-based protocols, guidelines, or position papers:

- Participation in the field of research related to metabolic and bariatric care, quality.
 - Contributes to the education of metabolic and bariatric surgery professionals, especially advanced practice healthcare providers, through presentations in educational programs, seminars and conferences, publishing, or other activities related to increasing the competency for colleagues and knowledge of the care of metabolic and bariatric surgery patients and families.
- Participates in the community – local, regional, state, or national – to advocate for metabolic and bariatric surgery efforts, such as access to care.

Nomination Process:

- Complete the application.
- Provide any supporting materials for the candidate.

Nomination Deadline: The deadline for submissions is Friday, April 5, 2024. All forms and supporting materials must be submitted by this date. No exceptions will be considered.

Nomination Review and Selection: All nominees' applications will be reviewed by a subcommittee of the APP Committee and 3 will be selected and presented to the whole APP Committee for a vote. The nominee who best fulfills the APP award criteria with the highest number of votes will receive the award.

APPs who currently serve on the APP committee are eligible. However, they must recuse themselves from participating in the selection process.

Award Presentation: The Advanced Practice Provider Award will be presented at the ASMBS Annual Meeting.