

JOHN M. EISENBERG

## PATIENT SAFETY & QUALITY AWARDS

*Presented by National Quality Forum & The Joint Commission*

# 2023 Application Preview

## Local and National Initiatives

*Both award categories share the same questions/format.  
See Initiatives section.*

## Individual Achievement Award

*See Individual Achievement section. Candidates can be  
nominated by colleagues or self-nominated.*



The John M. Eisenberg Patient Safety and Quality Awards were established in 2002 by the National Quality Forum (NQF) and The Joint Commission to recognize major achievements of individuals and organizations to improve patient safety and healthcare quality which are consistent with the aims of the National Quality Strategy: better care, healthy people and communities, and affordable care. Better care, in particular, focuses on improving overall quality by making healthcare person-centered, safe, reliable, accessible, and equitable.

The accomplishments of award nominees/applicants should be clearly linked to the principles that Dr. Eisenberg promoted throughout his career:

- dedication to improving the quality of healthcare and patient safety
- leadership in advancing methods for measuring and reporting healthcare quality
- expanding the public's capacity to evaluate the quality and safety of healthcare
- promoting healthcare choices based upon information about safety and quality
- addressing public health-related patient safety and quality challenges

### **Award Categories**

- **Individual Achievement** – Individuals who have demonstrated exceptional leadership and scholarship in patient safety and healthcare quality through a substantive body of work (i.e., over an extended time period, not intended for one-time project leadership).
- **National Level Innovation in Patient Safety and Quality** – The focus of the project/initiative extends beyond local areas to being implemented across the country to achieve national impact.
- **Local Level Innovation in Patient Safety and Quality** – The project/initiative focuses on effecting impact at the local community, organizational or regional level (e.g., statewide).

### **Additional Information about the Awards and Application Process**

- All applications and payment of \$400.00 must be submitted by August 7 at 11:59pm (CT).
- Health care organizations applying for the National and Local Award that operate in settings for which Joint Commission has accreditation/certification programs must be accredited/certified by The Joint Commission to be eligible for the award.
- Application evaluation criteria assess the importance of the project's contribution to patient safety and quality, whether the project represents a significant advancement in the given area or new/novel approach, the level of the project's impact, and its replicability across organizations and sustainability demonstrated through supporting data/information. For example, how well the submission describes the improvement program, how it was sustained, and if it was scaled beyond one institution when possible.
- Awardees will be notified of the Award Panel's decision by January 2024.



- All awardees are invited to attend the recognition ceremony to receive the award.
- No application-specific feedback or information about the outcome of Award Panel decisions can be provided prior to the official notification of the award recipients.

## Completing the Online Application

Visit [this link to download a PDF preview](#) of the three application types (Individual, Local, and National Applications) to better inform your submission. This PDF is for reference only, **all submissions must be entered into the online application to be considered. Applications are considered final once submitted and cannot be modified, please review carefully before submitting.**

Tips in preparing/writing your submission:

- Avoid repetition, and provide specific responses to each question, including explicit examples for each question within the application.
- Ensure that sufficient data is shared to support the impact of the initiative ***Specifically, data provided with the application document improvements in processes of care, health outcomes, and/or experience of care using results tables, statistical tests, run charts, and other quantitative methods.***
- Demonstrate sustained success improving intervention/outcomes for at least 12 months.


**To start an application, click "Register" in the upper right of this screen** to become a user on this award site. The award site will prompt you to enter name and email address. After verifying your email address via a link sent in an automated email, you will be taken to the application form. Then, please follow the prompts within the application platform. This platform will save your entries as you proceed through the application. **Note - for the Supplemental Documentation and Short Bio uploads, after you upload your PDF document and "Mark as Complete" within the platform, you will not be able to replace the document. After you submit, you will not be able to revise.**

**Once you submit the application, you will be provided a link to a payment site.** Payment submission of \$400.00 is required by August 7 for your application to be considered by the award panel. If you are not immediately directed to submit payment upon your application's completion, please contact us at [eisenbergawards@qualityforum.org](mailto:eisenbergawards@qualityforum.org).

**Please note:** By submitting an application, your organization agrees to allow The Joint Commission to share contents of your application, in part or in whole, for the purpose of inspiring organizations and sharing best-practices and improvement strategies.

# 2023 Eisenberg Awards Application Contact Information


## CONTACT INFORMATION

 **Contact Name and Credentials** (individual submitting application/main contact; if nominating for Individual Achievement, this is Nominator's name, Nominee name is provided in a later section)

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 Contact Title, Department, and Organization

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 Contact Telephone

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 Contact Email


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 Leadership-level Contact (CEO, Executive Director) Name

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 Leadership-level Contact (CEO, Executive Director) Email

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 For Local and National Categories: Please provide Organization Name.

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 For Local and National Categories: Organization's City and State

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 Web site addresses for organization or initiative

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## 2023 Eisenberg Awards - Initiative or Individual Nominee Details

 Select the award category for your application.

- Individual (substantive body of work in patient safety and healthcare quality over time)
- Local (impact at the local community, organization or regional level)
- National (results have had successful national implementation across the country, with impact to more than one organization; extends beyond one state or local area)

### FOR LOCAL AND NATIONAL Award Applications - Name/Title of Initiative

If selected as an award winner, this will be used in press material; Do not include name of the organization submitting award within title.(limit 250 characters, including spaces)

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Select the healthcare setting(s) included in this initiative/project.

- Ambulatory Care
- Behavioral Health Care and Human Services
- Certification Programs (please specify program in "Other" choice below)
- Critical Access Hospital
- Home Care
- Hospital/Acute Care Facility
- Laboratory
- Nursing Care Center
- Office-Based Surgery

Other, please specify... \_\_\_\_\_

Please select the principles demonstrated in this initiative/project (select all that apply):

- Sustainable changes to practices or programs
- Creating/fostering a culture of safety and patient engagement
- Significant advancement in an area for improving patient safety and quality in care
- New innovative/novel approach in an area for improving patient safety and quality in care
- Fostering new leaders in patient safety
- Enhancing the body of research that underlies innovative patient safety efforts

 Addressing patient safety and quality challenges affecting public health

Have the results been sustained for at least 12 months?

- Yes
- No

### Executive Summary of Initiative

(1,250 character limit, including spaces). Please provide a short summary of the project's/initiative's patient safety and/or healthcare quality-related achievements and the importance of these achievements, including their specific impact on patient safety and/or healthcare quality. Please note – if your submission is selected, this excerpt might be used in publications. This section should be written similar to a journal abstract with a few sentences addressing key concepts related to the project/initiative such as: Area of

patient safety and/or quality addressed. Describe the advancement in the area of patient safety and/or quality. Explain the proven impact on improving patient safety and/or quality. Replicability across organizations and/or impacts a wide range of the patient safety and/or quality arena. Demonstrate your sustained results.

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**4 Describe how the project/initiative addresses an important area for improving patient safety and quality.**

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**4 Describe how the project/initiative represents a new innovative or novel approach in the area of patient safety and quality.**

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**4 Describe the ways in which the project/initiative represents a significant advancement in the area of patient safety and quality.**

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**4 Describe how the project/initiative is proven to have a direct impact on improving patient safety and quality. For example, use specific examples of your success/improvement.**

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**4/4 Describe how the project/initiative can be replicated across organizations and/or impacts a wide range of the patient safety and quality arena. Share experiences or suggestions on how others could implement.**

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**4/4 Describe how the problem was identified, the timeframe the project/initiative was implemented, any challenges/barriers encountered and how they were resolved, and how ongoing sustainability is monitored.**

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**4/4 FOR INDIVIDUAL AWARD Applications - Individual Achievement Nominee Name and credentials**

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**4/4 Nominee's Title, Department and Organization**

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**4/4 Nominee Email**

**4/4 Nominee Telephone**

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**4/4 Executive Summary of Individual's Patient Safety and Quality Achievements. Please provide an abstract of the individual's substantial patient safety and/or healthcare quality-related achievements and the importance of these achievements, including their specific impact on patient safety and/or healthcare quality. This category is intended to recognize achievement for a body of work (i.e., over an extended time period, not intended for one-time project leadership).**

Please feel free to elaborate on the achievements in the questions below.(1,250 characters, including spaces; approximately 1/2 single spaced page)

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 Describe how the individual (nominee) has addressed an important area for improving patient safety and quality.

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 Describe the ways in which the individual has made a significant advancement in the area of patient safety and quality.

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 Describe how the individual's contribution has been proven to have a direct impact on improving patient safety and quality.

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 Describe how/why the individual's contribution has represented an innovation in the area of patient safety and quality?

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 **Application Complete**

Thank you for completing the application. Please review your responses and then submit. **Please note that after you submit you will not be able to make any additional changes to your application.**