



2020 WAMFT Call for Award Nominations

Each year, the Washington Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (WAMFT) honors individuals who have contributed to the profession and practice of Marriage and Family Therapy, to our association, and to communities in the state of Washington. Please consider nominating an exceptional member of the community for recognition by WAMFT. All award recipients must be members of WAMFT except for those receiving the Family Advocacy Award. **Nominations will be accepted through August 3, 2020.**

Awards will be presented at our annual WAMFT Conference held virtually on September 26, 2020.

Nominations should include the following:

1. Your name and contact information
2. The nominee's name
3. The name of the award
4. Using 500 words or less, state why you are nominating this person for the award. Provide a description of the nominee's character, skills, professional positions, and contributions that pertain to the award. Please be specific, giving examples. Attach the nominee's professional resume/vitae for the following awards: Distinguished Clinical Member, Supervisor, Educator, and Student awards.
5. For the Volunteer of the Year Award, attach an additional document describing the individual's contributions to WAMFT in the current year.

Submit your nomination by email to wamft@wamft.org.

Questions? Contact WAMFT's administrative assistant, Cary Ambler, at 206-450-8931 or email wamft@wamft.org.



WAMFT Awards Categories Descriptions

Distinguished Clinical Fellow Award

This award honors a long-time clinical fellow whose career has been marked by clinical wisdom, excellence, and significant contribution to the field of marriage and family therapy. The nominee must be a member of WAMFT and have been in the field of marriage and family and demonstrate contributions in at least three of the following areas: (1) supervising or mentoring, (2) teaching, (3) writing or editing in the field of MFT, (4) MFT research, (5) significant contribution to WAMFT leadership, (6) involved in the passing of major legislative efforts that promote the practice of MFT in Washington, and/or (7) presenter or speaker in the field of MFT.

Supervisor of the Year Award

This award honors an AAMFT Clinical Fellow and Approved Supervisor who demonstrates clinical and ethical excellence while fostering positive and strong relationships with supervisees. The nominee is committed to the core values of AAMFT and encourages students and associates toward MFT licensure and the practice of systemic therapy. All nominations for this award should include student or pre-clinical members' perspectives about the nominee's qualifications and experience. Students and pre-clinical members are strongly encouraged to nominate someone for this award.

Educator of the Year Award

This award honors an MFT faculty member who significantly contributes to the advancement of the field by mentoring and training the next generation of marriage and family therapists. This nominee demonstrates creative and innovative teaching abilities and fosters and maintains strong relationships with students.

Student Member of the Year Award

This award honors a current student who demonstrates exceptional academic and clinical excellence, while offering unique contributions to their learning community. In the case of equally meritorious nominations, consideration will be given to those students who have demonstrated active participation in AAMFT or WAMFT activity.

WAMFT Volunteer of the Year Award

This award honors a WAMFT member who contributes to the association above and beyond the normal expectations of his or her elected or appointed responsibilities. Cumulative contributions by the member are considered along with the member's service to WAMFT for the current year. This includes volunteers in any capacity other than the current President or President-Elect.

Diversity Award

This award honors a WAMFT member or an organization within our profession who demonstrates any or all of the following criteria: the nominee 1) is a diverse individual in terms of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender, ability, or other status; 2) has a diverse experience or perspective; and/or 3) serves a diverse population that has generally been underrepresented in the field of marriage and family therapy.

Family Advocacy Award

This award honors an individual or organization outside of our profession who has served families in the state of Washington. Recipients of this award may include, but are not limited to, a politician, clergy member, educator, or community activist.