

NAPA Awards Program

The following awards are established in recognition of individual contributions to the advancement of the Navy physician assistant role in medicine, leadership and scholarly endeavors. Nominations must be received by 01 April 2008 by LCDR Dave Lash, Chairman of the Awards Board for consideration. LCDR Lash can be reached at DJLash@nshs-sd.med.navy.mil or through the NAPA e-mail, napa@aapa.org.

The **NAPA Leadership Award** honors an outstanding Navy physician assistant for 2007. Nominees must be 0-3 or above active duty, reserve or retiree. Current NAPA Officers are not eligible. The award nomination should include a one page cover letter introducing the candidate and an accompanying document titled "Nomination for Award" with the following headings: LEADERSHIP, PROFESSIONALISM, DEDICATION TO QUALITY MEDICAL CARE, ENHANCEMENT OF THE IMAGE OF PAs, INVOLVEMENT IN NAPA, AAPA, LOCAL/STATE/REGIONAL PA AFFAIRS, and OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS.

The **NAPA Excellence Award** honors an outstanding Navy physician assistant for 2007 with less than four years commissioned service. Nominees must be a 0-1/0-2 on active duty or in the reserves. Current NAPA Officers are not eligible. The award nomination should include a one page cover letter introducing the candidate and an accompanying document entitled "Nomination For Award" with the following headings: LEADERSHIP, PROFESSIONALISM, DEDICATION TO QUALITY MEDICAL CARE, ENHANCEMENT OF THE IMAGE OF PAs, INVOLVEMENT IN NAPA, AAPA, LOCAL/STATE/REGIONAL PA AFFAIRS, and OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS.

The **NAPA Admiral Zimble Award** honors the outstanding PA Preceptor for 2007. Nominees must be DoD Physicians that support and help advance the PA profession and the PA-Physician Team approach to medicine delivery. The award nomination should include a cover letter introducing the physician for the award and an accompanying document entitled "Nomination For Award" outlining the nominee's distinguishing support for the PA-Physician Team concept through direct professional involvement and preceptorship of PAs; contributions to PA professional growth through formal and informal tutelage in current medical practices; leadership qualities, professionalism, and dedication to quality care.

The **Ensign Jerry "Buck" Pope Scholarship Award** is for the best publication or ongoing research by an active duty, reserve or retiree Navy physician assistant for 2007 who has had an article published in a regional or national medical periodical either as the sole author or one of a team of authors or is a named researcher in an approved research project. The award is intended to recognize the efforts put forth by that PA that is above and beyond the normal scope of our endeavors and of a quality to be published for the education and betterment of our profession as a whole. This is an award, not a grant, and it is not required that the recipient use the money for any specific expenses. The only stipulation is that the recipient must complete the work for which the award is given within 3 years of the award and provide the Naval Association of Physician Assistants with a bound and electronic copy of the completed work. The award nomination should include a cover letter introducing the candidate and an accompanying document entitled "Nomination For Award" with the following headings: LEADERSHIP, PROFESSIONALISM, DEDICATION TO QUALITY MEDICAL CARE, ENHANCEMENT OF THE IMAGE OF PAs, INVOLVEMENT IN NAPA, AAPA, LOCAL/STATE/REGIONAL PA AFFAIRS, and COMPLETE *DOCUMENTATION OF PUBLISHED WORK OR RESEARCH*.