



# COLORADO TRAUMA NETWORK

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## AWARDS CRITERIA

**GENERAL CRITERIA:** Nominees for an award must be affiliated with an acute care Trauma Facility in the state of Colorado. All award categories nominations should reflect a significant contribution in the delivery of trauma care during the past year. This may include but not be limited to a single event or an accumulation of events that demonstrate the dedication and commitment of the individual or agency to improving quality patient care, or trauma systems development during the past year. While there are defined category sections, nominations are meant to be inclusive and not restricted to an official title. Nominations will be accepted via nomination website link only.

**TMD:** (Trauma Medical Director)

Levels I and II

Levels III-V

Nominees for this category display exemplary leadership skills as a Trauma Medical Director or Associate Trauma Medical Director. They are a leader within their institution and help to drive trauma performance improvement and programmatic initiatives forward to improve the care for injured patients across the continuum. The person submitting the nomination for this person should provide examples of projects or initiatives that have been led by this individual for consideration by the nomination committee.

**TPM/TPD:** (Trauma Program Manager/ Trauma Program Director)

Levels I and II

Nominees for this category display exemplary leadership skills as a Trauma Program Manager or Trauma Program Director. They are a leader within their institution and help to drive trauma performance improvement and programmatic initiatives forward to improve the care for injured patients across the continuum. The person submitting the nomination for this person should provide examples of projects or initiatives that have been led by this individual for consideration by the nomination committee.

**TPM/TNC:** (Trauma Program Manager/Trauma Nurse Coordinator)

Level III-IV-May nominate TPM and/or TNC from same facility.

Nominees for this category include a trauma program manager and/or trauma nurse coordinator who exhibit excellent skill at leading an initiative to improve care for injured patients across the continuum. In this level of facility, the TPM or TNC may be responsible for Performance Improvement, Injury Prevention, Trauma Registry, and/or Outreach/Education. Ideally, the project/initiative in any of these areas would involve multiple key stakeholders within the trauma system and result in measurable improvements that improve care. They may be nominated based on leadership within their institution to drive initiatives to improve the care for the injured patient across the continuum. Examples of this initiative or project should be provided to the nomination committee for consideration.

**PI COORDINATOR:** (Process Improvement/ Quality Coordinator)

Levels I and II

A nominee for this award is not limited to the exact title. It can be inclusive of senior registrars who function in the role that supports data expertise and quality improvement support and leadership. Nominees for this category involve any trauma program staff member who functions in a role to improve process or quality within a designated trauma center. Examples of how this person has driven this initiative forward should be included for consideration by the nomination committee. The individual being nominated for this category was responsible for a change or improvement in process within their center that led to measurable improved outcomes for trauma patients.

**TRAUMA REGISTRAR:**

Levels I and II

Nominees for this category include trauma registrars who have shown dedication to improvement of trauma registry practices within their facility. Examples of this level of dedication or how the individual improved the trauma registry should be provided for consideration by the nomination committee.

**OUTREACH/EDUCATION:**

Levels I and II

A nominee for this category can include trauma education, outreach, or combination roles. Nominees for this award include individuals who have showed a commitment to the education of trauma providers across the continuum. Examples of the commitment to education should be provided to the nomination committee for consideration.

**INJURY PREVENTION:**

Levels I and II

Nominees for this award include any individual who has supported a major injury prevention initiative for their community or region resulting in a measurable change or improvement. Examples of the initiative should be provided to the nomination committee for consideration.

**HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR:**

Levels I and II

Levels III-V

~~A nominee for the award should show exemplary leadership and support for the Trauma Program at his/her facility. Examples of this exemplary leadership and support should be provided for consideration by the nominating committee.~~

**AGENCY:** A nominee for the award should function in the role of prehospital provider. A nominee for the award should show a commitment to the trauma system and who has improved care across the continuum. Examples of improvements should be provided to the nomination committee for consideration.

**GRACE SANDENO AWARD:** A nominee for the award should demonstrate leadership and positive collaboration to promote trauma systems development or improved patient care process outcomes, research, outreach/ injury prevention, and/ or community partnerships. The cumulative contribution by the nominee should be such that it stands out as an example for others to follow related to trauma system development. Examples of how this person has influenced trauma system development should be provided to the committee for consideration. All members of the trauma system are eligible for nomination for this award.

## AWARDS SELECTION RULES

**NOMINATION SUBMISSION DATE:** The award nominations will be available to submit electronically ~~at any time~~ via Colorado Trauma Network website, <https://cotrauma.org/> Nominations must be received by online submission by January 31<sup>st</sup> of the award year unless otherwise extended by the CTN Awards committee.

**AWARD NOTIFICATION DATE:** Award finalist recipients will be notified by the CTN Awards Committee Chair or designee prior to the CTN Spring Meeting as soon as possible (by March 1<sup>st</sup>).

**AWARD PRESENTATION DATE:** Awards will be presented during the annual Spring CTN conference. The Conference is typically held in April each year. If the annual spring conference is

| cancelled, awards will be presented either virtually or in person at the next available CTN quarterly meeting.

| **DATES IN GENERAL:** Any changes to the above dates will be made public and every effort will be made by the CTN Awards Committee Chair to alert interested parties in the CTN to such changes in a timely manner via the CTN website and email communication as appropriate.

| **AWARD SELECTION COMMITTEE:** The CTN Awards committee is made up of stakeholders representing various trauma programs in the state of Colorado. Awards selections will be used using a ranking and scoring methodology based on the objectives for each nomination category.

**GENERAL:** The CTN Awards committee views this program to recognize and reward the efforts of exemplary personnel across the state. Every effort will be made to make the process fair and equitable. Any concerns, questions, or suggestions should be directed to the CTN Awards Committee Chairperson or CTN board member.