

## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS



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In accordance with the SNACC bylaws, the Nomination Committee is seeking applications for the following open positions: Secretary/Treasurer and at least one Director at Large. A second Director at Large position will become available if one of the current directors is elected as Secretary/Treasurer. Membership voting for Secretary/Treasurer and Director(s) at Large all Board positions will be held electronically during the summer, prior to the September 2020 Annual Meeting in Montreal, Canada. The Nomination Committee is also seeking nominations for Teacher of the Year/Education Innovation Award, Distinguished Service Award, and Women in Neuroanesthesiology and Neuroscience Education and Research (WINNER) Award.

Below is a brief description of each position/award and eligibility criteria. Please send nominations with required documents to [avitsir@ccf.org](mailto:avitsir@ccf.org) and a copy to [sandra@societyhq.com](mailto:sandra@societyhq.com)

### SECRETARY TREASURER

The Secretary/Treasurer is a member of the Executive Committee and in line to progression to President of the society. The responsibilities of the Secretary/Treasurer are outlined in detail in SNACC [bylaws](#). Membership of SNACC is a prerequisite for nomination to this post. Nominees must demonstrate a track record of service to the Society, including enthusiasm and engagement in committee activities, dedication to the values of SNACC and its mission, and commitment to diversity and inclusion principles. Current or past position as a director or chair of a committee is not a requirement for candidacy. Any leadership experience will be accounted as strength for candidacy. Self-nominations are accepted for this post. Candidates should forward a summary of their current CV and a short statement outlining their reasons for applying for this post and what they can offer to the Society. Alternatively active, dues paid members of the Society can nominate another member by sending a short statement describing the strengths of the nominee and highlights of their CV. The committee will pursue consent from the nominee before considering their candidacy.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Directors at Large are voting members of the Board of Directors, and are involved in decision making on issues pertaining to governance and strategy of the Society according to its mission and bylaws. Attendance at all Board meetings is expected. Elected members of the SNACC Board of Directors have significant responsibilities, and potential candidates must have time to make this commitment to the Society and specialty. Membership of SNACC is a prerequisite for election to the Board of Directors. Every active, dues paid member of Society is eligible for nomination as a Director at Large; regular attendance at Annual Meetings and a track record of participation and/or leadership in SNACC committees and other activities, such as the Newsletter or participation in an annual meeting program, will strengthen the application. Self-nominations are accepted for this post. Candidates should forward a copy of the summary of their current CV and a short statement outlining their reasons for applying for this post had what they can offer to the Society. Alternatively, active, dues paid members of the Society can nominate another member by sending a short statement describing the strengths of the nominee and a copy of their CV. The committee will pursue consent from the nominee before considering their candidacy.

## DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

The Distinguished Service award is reserved for SNACC members who have made outstanding contributions to the field of Neurosciences in Anesthesiology and Critical Care, and to this Society. Nominations must be made by current active, dues paid members of SNACC; self-nominations are not accepted. The Nomination Committee strongly recommends that nominators consider both national and international peer recognition of the potential awardee, and focus their supporting statement on accomplishments in areas of clinical practice, scientific research, scholarly activities and education/training. Prior leadership positions within and outside of SNACC are also important, but professionalism of the individual and their stature as a mentor is of utmost significance. Specific importance will be given to length of professional service after completing the postgraduate training in choosing the candidate for this award.

Nominations should include a biographical sketch of the nominee, and a minimum of two paragraphs outlining the nominee's contributions to the field of perioperative neuroscience and the outstanding features of their service to SNACC and/or other relevant professional societies. The name and contact details of two additional SNACC members who support the nomination should be provided.

## TEACHER OF THE YEAR – LIFETIME EDUCATOR AWARD

The Teacher of the Year/Education Innovator Award recognizes SNACC members who exemplify a career dedicated to teaching and mentoring of health care professionals and basic scientists in the areas of perioperative neurosciences. Being a leader in education with an outstanding portfolio of training, guiding young scientists and clinical practitioners, excellence in professionalism, distinguished mentoring abilities, commitment to inclusivity and diversity, and innovations in the field of education are some of the criteria that the Nomination Committee will consider when choosing the recipient of this award. Years of mentoring and teaching after completion of postgraduate education is an important selection factor.

Membership of SNACC is a prerequisite for receipt of this award, although nominations can be made by SNACC members and non-members. Nominations should include a biographical sketch of the nominee, and a two paragraph statement describing the credentials of the nominee for this award. In addition, testimonials from two previous trainees or mentees who support the nomination should be provided.

## WOMEN IN NEUROANESTHESIOLOGY & NEUROSCIENCES EDUCATION AND RESEARCH (WINNER)

### ACADEMY OF MENTORS AWARD

The Women in Neuroanesthesiology and Neuroscience Education and Research (WINNER) awardees are female SNACC members whose contribution to the field of perioperative neuroscience, specifically through excellence in mentoring, has advanced the mission of SNACC. A focus on diversity and inclusion is especially important for this award. Members of the WINNER academy should be ready to mentor the next generation of perioperative neuroscientists.

Women who have been SNACC members for at least 10 years, and who have shown excellence in mentoring and involvement in perioperative neuroscience research and education, are eligible for this award. The awardee will be expected to be actively involved in the WINNER program and provide mentorship to SNACC members. Nominations can only be made by dues paying SNACC members and should include a brief biographic sketch of the nominee, and a two paragraph statement describing the credentials of the nominee for this award. In addition, three letters of support from the nominee's current or past mentees should be provided. These mentees need not be SNACC members or even anesthesiologists, but should be individuals for whom the nominee has played a significant role as a mentor.