Physician Associate Foundation

2026 William H. Marquardt Precepting/Mentorship Award
Qualifications and Requirements

The William H. Marquardt Precepting/Mentorship Award aims to recognize PAs serving in precepting, adjunct faculty, and/or mentorship roles.

Nominations for this award may be submitted by a third party (e.g., a colleague, supervisor, or peer familiar with the nominee's qualifications and contributions) or as a self-nomination.

Eligibility Qualifications

The applicant/nominee must:

- Be a PA and Fellow or retired member in good standing of AAPA
- Currently serve in a precepting, adjunct faculty, and/or mentorship role
- Have at least three years of experience in a precepting/mentoring role and demonstrate strong commitment to precepting and/or mentorship, as demonstrated by professional history/track record

Application Requirements

The nomination form will include the following sections/required components:

- General information about the applicant/nominee
- Short answer questions:
    - Describe the nominee's precepting and/or mentorship activities at minimum over the last 3 years.
    - Reflect on the nominee's experience as a preceptor or mentor. How have they contributed to the professional growth of their students/mentees?
    - Precepting/mentorship often involves inspiring others to achieve their goals. Share an example of how the nominee has fostered a supportive and inclusive environment for their mentees.
    - Mentorship extends beyond teaching skills – it shapes future leaders. How has the nominee's work as a preceptor or mentor contributed to advancing the PA profession?
- Required documents/uploads:
    - Nominee's CV
    - Two letters of recommendation *(at least one must be a professional reference who can speak to the nominee's work)*

Award Amount

Four awards of $2,500 each are available.

2026 Application Cycle Dates

- Launch date: July 13, 2026
- Deadline: August 10, 2026

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