



2020-2021 Awards Program

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AWAEM Early Career Educator Award

To honor an early career female faculty who has shown promise for significant career achievements in emergency medicine through education and education-based scholarly activity and who has worked to promote the role of women in academic emergency medicine.

Eligibility:

1. Female EM physician
2. Faculty member in a North American academic EM department
3. Faculty member in the first 7 years since residency graduation (i.e. graduated in 2013 or later)
4. Current SAEM and AWAEM member (no later than January 1, 2021) not currently serving on the AWAEM Awards Committee or Executive Council

Note: Any faculty nominee who took significant time away from academic medicine may be considered with an explanation of lapsed time. Please include letter of explanation of time lapse if greater than 7 years from date of residency completion (earlier than 2013) but still considered "early career" in terms of accomplishments and rank.

Selection Criteria:

- Evidence of achievements, innovation, and dedication to academic emergency medicine through teaching and education-based scholarly activity.
- National involvement and presence in academic emergency medicine (e.g., through SAEM committees, research consortiums, or advocacy groups).
- Activities demonstrating commitment to advancing the role of women in academic emergency medicine.

Required Documentation:

1. Nominee's CV
2. One nomination letter. Nomination letter may be submitted by current or former colleagues, mentors, mentees or employers.

Nomination instructions:

Submit nomination letter and CV to Sharon Chekijian, MD at sharon.chekijian@yale.edu with the subject line "2021 AWAEM Early Career Educator Award Nomination"

Deadline: January 15, 2021 at 11:59PM PST

AWAEM Early Career Research Award

To honor an early career female faculty who has shown promise for significant career achievements in emergency medicine through research and who has worked to promote the role of women in academic emergency medicine.

Eligibility:

1. Female EM physician
2. Faculty member in a North American academic EM department
3. Faculty member in the first 7 years since residency graduation (i.e. graduated in 2013 or later)
4. Current SAEM and AWAEM member (no later than January 1, 2021) not currently serving on the AWAEM Awards Committee or Executive Council

Note: Any faculty nominee who took significant time away from academic medicine may be considered with an explanation of lapsed time. Please include letter of explanation of time lapse if greater than 7 years from date of residency completion (earlier than 2013) but still considered "early career" in terms of accomplishments and rank.

Selection Criteria:

- Evidence of achievements, innovation, and dedication to academic emergency medicine through research.
- National involvement and presence in academic emergency medicine (e.g. through SAEM committees, research consortiums, etc).
- Activities demonstrating commitment to advancing the role of women in academic emergency medicine.

Required Documentation:

1. Nominee's CV
2. One nomination letter. Nomination letter may be submitted by current or former colleagues, mentors, mentees or employers.

Nomination instructions:

Submit nomination letter and CV to Sharon Chekijian, MD at sharon.chekijian@yale.edu with the subject line "2021 AWAEM Early Career Research Award Nomination"

Deadline: January 15, 2021 at 11:59PM PST

AWAEM Mid-Career Faculty Award

To honor a mid-career female faculty who has shown significant career achievements in academic emergency medicine through research, education, service, advocacy, or administration, and/or who has worked to promote the role of women in academic emergency medicine.

Eligibility:

1. Female EM physician faculty member in a North American academic EM department
2. Faculty member in the first 8 to 15 years of academic practice (graduated residency between 2006 and 2013)
3. Current SAEM and AWAEM member (no later than January 1, 2021) not currently serving on the AWAEM Awards Committee or Executive Council

Note: Any faculty nominee who took significant time away from academic medicine may be considered with explanation of lapsed time. Please include letter of explanation of time lapse if greater than 15 years from date of residency completion, but still considered "mid" career in terms of accomplishments.

Selection Criteria:

1. Evidence of achievements, innovation, and dedication to academic emergency medicine through research, teaching, service, advocacy, or administration sustained over the course of the nominee's career.
2. National involvement and presence in academic emergency medicine (e.g., through SAEM committees, research consortiums, or advocacy groups).
3. Activities demonstrating commitment to advancing the role of women in academic emergency medicine.

Required Documentation:

1. Nominee's CV
2. One nomination letter. Nomination letter may be submitted by current or former colleagues, mentors, mentees or employers.

Nomination instructions:

Submit the nominee's CV and nomination letter to Sharon Chekijian, MD at sharon.chekijian@yale.edu with the subject line "2021 AWAEM Mid-Career Award Nomination"

Deadline: January 15, 2021 at 11:59PM PST

AWAEM Administrator Award

To honor a female faculty member who serves in an administrative role (e.g. medical, quality improvement, patient safety, patient experience director, informatics lead) and has shown significant career achievements in EM, through administrative innovations, advancing quality, safety, and efficiency of care, and building relationships or consensus across departments. In particular, the award will recognize a female administrator who has taken the lead on improving working environments and patient care in their departments or hospital systems.

Eligibility:

1. Female EM physician faculty member in a North American academic EM department
2. Current Emergency Department administrator.
3. Current SAEM and AWAEM member (no later than January 1, 2021) not currently serving on the AWAEM Awards Committee or Executive Council

Selection Criteria:

- Evidence of achievements, innovation, and dedication in serving as an administrator in an academic EM department or hospital.
- National involvement and presence (e.g., through SAEM committees, research consortiums, medical director organizations (e.g. AMDA or advocacy groups))
- Activities demonstrating commitment to advancing the role of women in academic EM
- Innovation in creating and improving working environments in Emergency Departments
- Special consideration will be given to those who have made an impact on family leave or gender equality policies within their department.

Required Documentation:

1. Nominee's CV
2. One nomination letter. Nomination letter may be submitted by current or former colleagues, mentors, mentees or employers.

Nomination instructions:

Submit the CV and nomination letter to Sharon Chekijian, MD at sharon.chekijian@yale.edu with the subject line "2021 AWAEM EM Director Award Nomination"

Deadline: January 15, 2021 at 11:59PM PST

AWAEM “Catalyst” Award

To honor a female faculty who have made outstanding contributions through clinical work, teaching, mentorship, role modeling, or administration with great local or regional impact. The spirit of this award is designed to recognize those who contribute significantly to their department or the field of EM but who may have escaped national recognition. **We will select up to three winners.**

Eligibility criteria:

1. Female EM physician faculty member in a North American academic EM department
2. Current SAEM and AWAEM member (no later than January 1, 2021) not currently serving on the AWAEM Awards Committee or Executive Council

Selection criteria:

- Evidence of dedication to academic EM through a consistent track record of outstanding clinical work, teaching, service, advocacy, research, or administration.
- A female faculty member who colleagues feel provides invaluable service but, for whatever reason, has not been recognized via conventional means (e.g. regional, national awards or board membership).

Required Documentation:

1. Nominee’s CV
2. One nomination letter detailing nominee’s impact. Nomination letter may be submitted by current or former colleagues, mentors, mentees or employers.

Nomination instructions:

Submit the CV and nomination letter to Sharon Chekijian, MD at sharon.chekijian@yale.edu with the subject line “2021 AWAEM Catalyst Award Nomination”

Deadline: January 15, 2021 at 11:59PM PST

AWAEM Social Advocacy Award

To honor a female faculty who has made significant contributions towards social justice and advocacy on behalf of our patients or community within emergency medicine. Advocacy can be broadly conceptualized and can include legislative and political action, service, grassroots organizing, and any other advocacy work that directly benefits our patients, community, or specialty.

Eligibility:

1. Female EM physician
2. Faculty member in a North American academic EM department
3. Current SAEM and AWAEM members (no later than January 1, 2021) and not currently serving on the AWAEM Awards Committee or Executive Council

Selection Criteria:

- Evidence of strong advocacy or social justice work and dedication to academic emergency medicine
- Significant local, regional, and national involvement in advocacy groups
- Activities demonstrating commitment to advancing emergency medicine's reach into social justice

Required Documentation:

1. Nominee's CV
2. One nomination letter. Nomination letter may be submitted by current or former colleagues, mentors, mentees or employers.

Nomination Instructions:

Submit nomination letter and CV to Sharon Chekijian, MD at sharon.chekijian@yale.edu with the subject line "2021 AWAEM Social Advocacy Award"

Deadline: January 15, 2021 at 11:59 PM PST

AWAEM Outstanding Department Award

To honor the Emergency Medicine Department that has shown significant support for women in academic EM through organizational initiatives that address the recruitment, development, and advancement of its women physicians, promoting gender equality, diversity, opportunity and inclusion.

Eligibility:

1. Applicant departments must be academic, defined by having an EM training program
2. Divisions or departments of EM are eligible
3. Pediatric EM divisions housed within a department of Pediatrics or PEM departments within a Children's Hospital are not eligible. PEM divisions housed within a Department of EM may be considered as part of a department's application.

Selection criteria:

Nominated Departments will be judged for evidence of:

- Global approaches for supporting the recruitment, retention and advancement of women in EM
- Family friendly policies that support work/life integration
- Large percentage of female faculty or recent recruitment of female faculty
- High retention of female faculty
- Large percentage of women in leadership positions, including administrative positions and academic rank
- Environment of transparency with respect to salary, benefits, and the promotions process

Required Documentation:

1. One nomination letter explaining why the department merits the award
 - a. The letter should include examples of the programs and practices mentioned above.
 - b. The letter should come from a Chair, Vice Chair, Hospital President or Medical School Dean.
2. One support letter from a departmental faculty member.
Previous Outstanding Department Award winners will not be eligible for 5 years.

Nomination instructions:

Submit documents to Sharon Chekijian, MD at sharon.chekijian@yale.edu with subject line "2021 AWAEM Department Award"

Deadline: January 15, 2021 at 11:59PM PST

AWAEM/GEMA Global EM Spotlight Award

To honor a female emergency medicine physician from a low-or middle-income country (per World Bank classification) who has shown (or has potential for) significant career achievements in emergency medicine through research, education, service, advocacy, or administration.

The awardee will be honored with:

- A printed award
- An invited talk (for the AWAEM Business meeting during the 2021 SAEM Annual Meeting)
- An invitation to be published and contribute an article to the AWAEM newsletter
- A 1-year membership to SAEM and AWAEM

Eligibility:

- Women pursuing a career in Emergency Medicine who are native to and practicing in a low- and middle-income country
- Women physicians who work primarily in the Emergency Department (at all stages of training including residents, certificate-candidates and attending/consultants)

Selection Criteria:

- Evidence of achievements, innovation, and dedication to emergency medicine through research, teaching, service, advocacy, or administration
- Preference will be given to women who have been selected to present a didactic, poster, or other presentation at the virtual 2021 SAEM Annual Meeting

Required Documentation:

- Nominee's CV
- One letter of interest describing how nominee would benefit from the award
- Letter of Recommendation

Nomination instructions:

- Submit the CV and 2 letters to Mindi Guptill, MD at MGuptill@llu.edu with the subject line "2021 AWAEM GEMA Global EM Spotlight Nomination"

Deadline: January 15, 2021 at 11:59PM PST

AWAEM Pre-Day Workshop Scholarship

To assist with the registration cost for the AWAEM pre-day workshop. This scholarship is intended for applicants who have shown promise for significant career achievements in emergency medicine through research, education, service, advocacy, or administration, and/or who have worked to promote the role of women in academic emergency medicine.

Eligibility:

1. Female EM fellow or faculty member
2. Current SAEM and AWAEM member (no later than January 1, 2021) not currently serving on the AWAEM Awards Committee or Executive Council
3. Commitment to attend the pre-day workshop forum on May 11, 2021

Selection Criteria:

- Evidence of achievements, innovation, and dedication in academic emergency medicine through research, teaching, service, advocacy, or administration during their EM career.
- Achievements completed primarily prior to the beginning of residency will not be considered.

Required Documentation:

1. Nominee's CV
2. Brief letter of interest (300 words or less)

Nomination instructions:

Submit the CV and letter of interest to Sharon Chekijian, MD at sharon.chekijian@yale.edu with the subject line "2021 AWAEM Pre-Day Workshop Scholarship Nomination"

Deadline: January 15, 2021 at 11:59PM PST

SAEM Grant Writing Workshop Scholarship

To endorse the recipient and cover the registration cost for the SAEM grant writing workshop. This scholarship is intended for applicants who have shown promise for significant career achievements in emergency medicine through research and/or who have worked to promote scholarly endeavors related to advancing the role of women in academic emergency medicine.

Eligibility:

1. Female EM fellow or faculty member
2. Current SAEM and AWAEM member (no later than January 1, 2021) not currently serving on the AWAEM Awards Committee or Executive Council
3. Commitment to attend the full day grant writing workshop on May 11, 2021

Selection Criteria:

- Evidence of achievements, innovation, and dedication in academic emergency medicine through research during their EM career.
- Achievements completed primarily prior to the beginning of residency will not be considered.

Required Documentation:

1. Nominee's CV
2. Brief letter of interest (300 words or less)

Nomination instructions:

Submit the CV and letter of interest to Sharon Chekjian, MD at sharon.chekjian@yale.edu with the subject line "2021 SAEM grant Writing Workshop Scholarship Nomination"

Deadline: January 15, 2021 at 11:59PM PST

AWAEM Resident Award & SAEM Virtual Registration Scholarship

To cover the costs for registration for the Virtual SAEM Annual Meeting in May 2021. This scholarship honors female EM residents who have shown promise for significant career achievements in emergency medicine through research, education, service, advocacy, or administration. **We will select up to three winners.**

Eligibility:

1. Female **Senior EM resident (PGY 2, 3 or 4)** in an accredited ACGME program in good standing
2. Current SAEM member (no later than January 1, 2021) not currently serving on the AWAEM Awards Committee.
3. Availability and commitment to attend the SAEM virtual annual meeting and AWAEM business meeting and awards ceremony.

Selection Criteria:

- Evidence of achievements, innovation, and dedication to academic emergency medicine through research, teaching, service, advocacy, or administration during their EM residency
- Achievements completed primarily prior to the beginning of residency will not be considered.

Required Documentation:

1. Nominee's CV
2. One nomination letter, preferably from the Program Director.

Nomination instructions:

Submit the CV and nomination letter to Sharon Chekijian, MD at sharon.chekijian@yale.edu with the subject line "2021 AWAEM Resident Award & Travel Scholarship Nomination"

Deadline: January 15, 2021 at 11:59PM PST

AWAEM/RAMS Medical Student and Resident Award

To honor a female EM bound medical student or EM intern who has shown promise for significant career achievements in emergency medicine through research, education, service, advocacy, or administration. This award will cover the cost of the AWAEM pre-day workshop.

Eligibility:

1. Female EM bound medical student or PGY 1 in an accredited ACGME program in good standing
2. Current SAEM member (no later than January 1, 2021) not currently serving on the AWAEM Awards Committee.
3. Current RAMS member (no later than January 1, 2021) not currently serving on the AWAEM Awards Committee.

Selection Criteria:

- Evidence of achievements, innovation, and dedication to academic emergency medicine through research, teaching, service, advocacy, or administration during medical school or their EM residency

Required Documentation:

1. Nominee's CV
2. Brief statement of interest (300 words or less)

Nomination instructions:

Submit the CV and brief statement of interest to Sharon Chekijian, MD at sharon.chekijian@yale.edu with the subject line "2021 AWAEM/RAMS Medical Student and Resident Award Nomination"

Deadline: January 15, 2021 at 11:59PM PST