



BRAIN INJURY ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA

2019 AWARD NOMINATIONS

The Brain Injury Association of Pennsylvania is requesting nominations for the 2019 Awards. Nominations will be accepted until Friday, April 19, 2019. Awards will be presented during the 2019 Annual Conference, to be held at the Lancaster Marriott in Lancaster, PA, June 23-25.

Nominations are being accepted for the following categories:

**Pioneer in Brain Injury
Service to the Brain Injury Community
Organization Award
John Sears Inspiration Award
Barb Dively Advocacy Award**

**Dennis Minori Family Tribute Award
Service to the Association
Leadership Award
Public Policy Award
Direct Service Award**

For more information, please contact the Brain Injury Association of Pennsylvania at (866) 635-7097 or admin@biapa.org.

STEP 1 – NOMINEE INFORMATION (REQUIRED)

Name (person or organization) _____

Address _____

Email Address _____ Phone # _____

Company (if applicable) _____

STEP 2 – NOMINATOR INFORMATION (REQUIRED)

Name _____

Address _____

Email Address _____ Phone # _____

RELATIONSHIP TO NOMINEE (REQUIRED) Please check all that apply:

Family Member Supervisor Client Employee Coworker Caregiver Therapist

Other _____

STEP 3 – AWARD NOMINATION (SELECT ONE) (REQUIRED)

<p><input type="checkbox"/> PIONEER IN BRAIN INJURY</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This award is presented to an individual whose initiative, expertise, and creativity have led to the development of services and supports in the field of brain injury rehabilitation. Although known for his/her efforts, the presentation of the Pioneer Award is made to formally recognize this individual's significant role in advancing the field.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> SERVICE TO THE BRAIN INJURY COMMUNITY</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This award will be given to a person who has sustained a brain injury, a family member, or a professional who works in the field and is a resident of PA. This recipient will have shown extraordinary and exemplary service in the areas of advocacy and education in raising social awareness of the needs of persons with brain injury and their families. This individual has had significant impact and taken individual initiative to make long-term, fundamental and positive impacts on the lives of people who have sustained a brain injury and their families.</p>
<p><input type="checkbox"/> ORGANIZATION AWARD</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This award is presented to an organization whose efforts to improve the lives of persons with brain injury have been clearly evident and have contributed to exemplary service delivery and support. This award is given in recognition of the collective activities of that group of individuals who, through their mission and focus on the needs of those in the brain injury community, have impacted the lives of individuals in a positive way.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> JOHN SEARS INSPIRATION AWARD</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This award is presented to an individual who has overcome significant challenges and who has utilized his or her talents and strengths to inspire others to reach their goals. This award honors John Sears, talented artist, committed teacher, and devoted husband, father and grandfather, who despite the challenges of a traumatic brain injury from a 1985 bicycling accident, continued to teach and make art until his death in 2009.</p>
<p><input type="checkbox"/> BARB DIVELY ADVOCACY AWARD</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This award is named after a true advocate and champion for the rights of those who have experienced a brain injury, and their families. Barb Dively spent much of her adult life educating, training and advocating for those in the greater brain injury community. Serving as executive director of the Acquired Brain Injury Network, she helped numerous individuals through her support and her efforts to secure much-needed services to help those with brain injuries. This award will continue to honor those who show the same energy and passion that Barb demonstrated. This award will distinguish Barb's legacy well into the future as we continue to recognize persons who advocate and champion tirelessly for those who have experienced a brain injury.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> DENNIS MINORI FAMILY TRIBUTE AWARD</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This award is given to a family who has a member with a brain injury. The recipient is a family who stands together in the face of hardship, works together to support each other, and strives to improve the quality of life for the person with brain injury. This award recognizes the constant and tremendous support provided by a family to their loved one, benefiting others in the brain injury community by their example of devotion and commitment.</p>
<p><input type="checkbox"/> SERVICE TO THE ASSOCIATION</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This award will be given to a person who has, through volunteerism, fundraising, and other efforts, supported the mission and vision of BIAPA and contributed to the ongoing success of the Association. All professionals, survivors and family members are eligible. Members of the BIAPA Board of Directors are excluded from consideration.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> LEADERSHIP AWARD</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: This award is presented to an individual, agency, or group of individuals whose far-reaching impact on the field of brain injury rehabilitation has been widely recognized. A willingness to go the extra mile is the hallmark of this award, and may include advocacy efforts that have promoted the cause and goal of improving each and every life.</p>
<p><input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC POLICY AWARD</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: The Brain Injury Association of PA believes that the development of beneficial public policies is essential to the rights of individuals who have sustained brain injuries and their families. This award intends to recognize outstanding individuals in our state who made noteworthy efforts to establish public policies of benefit to persons with brain injury.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> DIRECT SERVICE AWARD</p> <p>DESCRIPTION: The focus of this award is to honor a front-line staff member who provide exemplary services to individuals with brain injury. This award recognizes the "unsung hero" who have worked for five years or more in the field of brain injury and have shown dedication and commitment to the individuals they serve.</p>

STEP 4 – NOMINATION STATEMENT (REQUIRED)

Please state why the nominee deserves this particular award, in 500 words or less (information may be submitted on a separate page if necessary). Include information on the nominee’s length and type of service, training/education/certifications, organizational affiliations and offices held, past awards/honors, community involvement, or other pertinent information.

STEP 5 – PROVIDE TWO REFERENCES OF PEOPLE WHO KNOW THE NOMINEE WELL AND CAN BE CONTACTED FOR MORE INFORMATION (REQUIRED)

1) Name _____

Email _____ Phone Number _____

Briefly explain how this person knows the nominee.

2) Name _____

Email _____ Phone Number _____

Briefly explain how this person knows the nominee.

STEP 6 – PROVIDE A HIGH-RESOLUTION COLOR DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPH OF NOMINEE (REQUIRED)

Submit photo file to Kara at admin@biapa.org. If you are unable to provide a picture, please let us know.

STEP 7 – SUBMIT NOMINATION

Submit the completed nomination no later than Friday, April 19, 2019 to:

2018 BIAPA AWARD NOMINATION
C/O KARA LATSHAW
950 WALNUT BOTTOM ROAD, STE 15-229
CARLISLE, PA 17015
FAX: (717) 692-5567
EMAIL: ADMIN@BIAPA.ORG

If you have questions or require assistance to submit your nomination, please contact BIAPA at (866) 635-7097 or (717) 692-5569.