



# 2023 AWARD NOMINATIONS

The Brain Injury Association of Pennsylvania is requesting nominations for the 2023 Awards. Nominations will be accepted until **May, 26, 2023**. Awards will be presented during the 2023 Annual Conference, to be held at Lancaster Marriott in Lancaster, PA, June 27-28, 2023.

## Nominations are being accepted for the following categories:

Dan Keating Pioneer in Brain Injury Award  
Service to the Brain Injury Community Award  
Barb Dively Advocacy Award  
Service to the Association Award  
Organization Award

John Sears Inspiration Award  
Leadership Award  
Public Policy Award  
Direct Service Award  
Dennis Minori Family Tribute Award

*For more information, please contact the Brain Injury Association of Pennsylvania at 833-242-7248 or [admin@biapa.org](mailto:admin@biapa.org)*

### STEP ONE: NOMINEE INFORMATION (REQUIRED)

Name (person or organization) \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### STEP TWO: NOMINATOR INFORMATION (REQUIRED)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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

Family Member    Supervisor    Client Employee    Coworker    Caregiver    Therapist

Other \_\_\_\_\_

**STEP THREE: AWARD NOMINATION (REQUIRED); Select one and check the box.**

<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>DAN KEATING PIONEER IN BRAIN INJURY AWARD</b></p> <p><b>Description:</b> 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. Given in honor of Dr. Dan Keating, former BIAPA Board member and president, this award formally recognizes this individual's significant role in advancing the field.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>SERVICE TO BRAIN INJURY COMMUNITY AWARD</b></p> <p><b>Description:</b> 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 educating and raising social awareness of the needs of persons with brain injury and their families. This individual has taken the 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"/> <b>BARB DIVELY ADVOCACY AWARD</b></p> <p><b>Description:</b> 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 and funding 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 preserve Barb's legacy well into the future as we recognize persons who advocate and champion tirelessly for persons impacted by brain injury.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>LEADERSHIP AWARD</b></p> <p><b>Description:</b> 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 outstanding characteristic of this recipient in promoting the cause and goal of improving each and every life.</p>
<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>SERVICE TO THE ASSOCIATION AWARD</b></p> <p><b>Description:</b> This award is 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"/> <b>DIRECT SERVICE AWARD</b></p> <p><b>Description:</b> This award honors a front-line staff member who provides exemplary service to individuals with brain injury. It recognizes the "unsung hero" who has worked for five years or more in the field of brain injury rehabilitation and has shown dedication and commitment to the individuals they serve.</p>
<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>PUBLIC POLICY AWARD</b></p> <p><b>Description:</b> BIAPA 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 recognizes 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"/> <b>JOHN SEARS INSPIRATION AWARD</b></p> <p><b>Description:</b> 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"/> <b>ORGANIZATION AWARD</b></p> <p><b>Description:</b> 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"/> <b>DENNIS MINORI FAMILY TRIBUTE AWARD</b></p> <p><b>Description:</b> 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>

**STEP FOUR: 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 FIVE: PROVIDE TWO REFERENCES OF PEOPLE WHO KNOW THE NOMINEE WELL AND CAN BE CONTACTED FOR MORE INFORMATION (REQUIRED)**

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly explain how this person knows the nominee \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly explain how this person knows the nominee \_\_\_\_\_

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**STEP SIX: PROVIDE A HIGH-RESOLUTION COLOR DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPH OF NOMINEE (REQUIRED)**

Submit photo file to [admin@biapa.org](mailto:admin@biapa.org). If you are unable to provide a picture, please let us know right away.

**STEP SEVEN: SUBMIT NOMINATION**

Submit the completed nomination no later than May 26, 2023 to:

**2023 BIAPA AWARD NOMINATION**

947 Wayne Ave.

No. 110

Chambersburg, PA 17201

**Email:** [admin@biapa.org](mailto:admin@biapa.org)

**Fax:** 833-242-7248

If you have any questions or require assistance to submit your nomination, please contact BIAPA at 833-242-7248 or [admin@biapa.org](mailto:admin@biapa.org).