



FOUNDERS MOST DISTINGUISHED ATHLETIC TRAINER AWARD
South Carolina Athletic Trainers' Association

The SCATA Founders Most Distinguished Athletic Trainer Award is an honor that recognizes qualified SCATA members for their exceptional service and unique contributions to the athletic training profession. Established in 2009, the SCATA Founders MDAT is a state award, which reflects dedication to the Association and honors a member who rendered distinguished service to the field of athletic training while representing South Carolina at the local, state, district, and national levels.

The SCATA Honors and Awards Committee has developed a nomination form and an application form to be completed with accurate information that will help the Committee and Executive Board assess candidates' contributions. Please carefully read and follow all of the instructions for eligibility, completing the nomination form, and candidate profile form.

The following instructions will guide you through the nomination process:

- 1. Eligibility:** To be eligible for nomination, individuals must be a good standing member of SCATA, must have at least **20 years of certified membership in the SCATA**, and **must have a current NPI number**. A candidate must have contributed significant service at the state, district, and national levels and display outstanding achievement in the field of athletic training.
- 2. Completing the Nomination and Candidate Profile Form:** All nomination forms must be typed and completed in their entirety, even if information is duplicated on the candidate's resume. Familiarize yourself with what is being requested. Candidates are not expected to have experience in all areas and should not feel intimidated by having to leave some parts of the profile form blank. The SCATA Founders MDAT Award candidate form has been designed to include all areas. Because of this, and to manage the number of forms received, the subcommittee asks that only specific information requested be submitted.
**The SCATA Honors and Awards Committee reserves the right to return to the nominee, without consideration for the award, any incomplete or incorrect nomination form.*
- 3. Advocacy Forms & Letters of Recommendation:** The candidate's application should include **TWO** advocacy forms and/or letters of recommendation. The SCATA advocacy form is on the SCATA website under the Honors and Awards section.

Recommendation letters should conform to the following guidelines:

- Letters should be printed on letterhead stationary, signed, and scanned to be included with the candidate's application or sent directly to the subcommittee chair. Retired athletic trainers are not required to use business letterhead.
 - One advocacy form or letter must come from the award sponsor.
 - The other advocacy form or letter must come from a SCATA member.
- 4. Resume or Vita:** Nominees should include a current resume or vita to supplement the information on the nomination form.
 - 5. JPEG Quality Photo:** Please send and/or attach a JPEG quality photo – head shot.

6. **Deadlines:** All materials requested, including the nomination form, resume/vita, and letters of recommendation must be submitted via email to the subcommittee chair at the address noted below by **April 15th** for consideration. Candidates will receive an email from the SCATA Honors and Awards Committee when the application is complete. Candidates are welcome to contact the committee chair (see below) to check the status of application components at any time.
7. **Review Process:** The review process takes several weeks. The SCATA Honors and Awards Committee members will review each nomination. Their recommendations will be forwarded to the Executive Board, which will give final approval of winners.
8. **Notification:** All candidates will be notified by the SCATA Honors and Awards committee as to the decision regarding their award status no later than **July 1st**.
9. **Award Presentation:** The honoree will be presented and recognized during the SCATA Annual Symposium.

If you have any questions, please contact George Wham, EdD, SCAT, ATC, Chair of the SCATA Honors and Awards Committee at gwham@lexington1.net or at 803-821-2258.

On behalf of the SCATA Honors and Awards committee, thank you for your contribution to the athletic training profession and the association.

Email all SCATA Award Materials to:
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Committee Chair – SCATA Honors and Awards
[**gwham@lexington1.net**](mailto:gwham@lexington1.net)
803-821-2258

SPONSOR'S PERSONAL INFORMATION

(to be completed by sponsor)

DATE: _____

NAME: _____
Last First Middle Credentials

WORK ADDRESS:

Organization Name Street Address

City State Zip Code Phone (_____) _____

E-Mail Fax (_____) _____

YEAR SPONSOR BECAME A MEMBER OF SCATA: _____

STATE CERTIFICATION NUMBER: _____

SPONSOR'S SUMMARY OF NOMINEE'S QUALIFICATIONS:

NOMINATION FORM
(to be completed by nominee)

DATE: _____

NAME: _____
Last First Middle Credentials

YEAR NOMINEE BECAME A MEMBER OF SCATA: _____

SC ATHLETIC TRAINER CERTIFICATION NUMBER: _____

WORK ADDRESS:

Organization Name Street Address

City State Zip Code Phone (_____) _____

E-Mail Fax (_____) _____

HOME ADDRESS:

Street Address

City State Zip Code Phone (_____) _____

E-Mail Fax (_____) _____

OCCUPATION:

Primary: _____

Secondary: _____

Fully Retired: _____ Retired, some career activity: _____

PROFESSIONAL/EDUCATION (list in order beginning with most recent degree)

Degree Earned	School	City/State	Year(s) of Degree/Attendance
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Honorary Degree	School	City/State	Year
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CAREER HISTORY (list in order beginning with most recent position)

Position	Organization	City/State	Year(s) From/To
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STATE CONTRIBUTIONS

List the dates and topic of presentations (not moderator) that the nominee has given at the SCATA Annual Symposium.

Topic	Date
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Topic	Date

List the elected or appointed offices (including dates) that the nominee has held within the SCATA Executive Committee (President, President Elect, Secretary/Treasurer, and Past President)

Office	Year: From/To
Office	Year: From/To
Office	Year: From/To
Office	Year: From/To

List the committees (including dates) that the nominee has served as chair within the SCATA.

Committee Year: From/To

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Committee Year: From/To

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DISTRICT CONTRIBUTIONS

List the dates and topic of presentations (not moderator) that the nominee has given at the MAATA Annual Symposium.

Topic	Date
Topic	Date
Topic	Date
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Topic	Date

List the elected or appointed offices (including dates) that the nominee has held within the MAATA Executive Committee (President, President Elect, Secretary/Treasurer, and Past President)

Office	Year: From/To
Office	Year: From/To
Office	Year: From/To
Office	Year: From/To

List the committees (including dates) that the nominee has served as chair within the MAATA.

Committee Year: From/To

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List the committees (including dates) that the nominee has served within the MAATA.

Committee Year: From/To

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Committee Year: From/To

NATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS

List the dates and topic of presentations (not moderator) that the nominee has given at the NATA Clinical Symposia.

Topic	Date
Topic	Date
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List the elected or appointed offices (including dates) that the nominee has held within the NATA Executive Committee (President, President Elect, Secretary/Treasurer, and Past President)

Office	Year: From/To
Office	Year: From/To
Office	Year: From/To
Office	Year: From/To

List the committees (including dates) that the nominee has served as chair within the NATA.

Committee Year: From/To

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