CSDA AWARDS CRITERIA

# General

Awards by the CSDA are a mechanism to reward and recognize significant achievement by members of the profession, collaborative groups and individuals who have worked to better the CSDA and the oral health of the citizens of Connecticut.

Letters of nomination for any of the following awards should include the following:

* Nominee’s name
* Brief description of nominee’s background (for CSDA member, individual or organization)
* Award for which an individual/organization is being nominated
* Justification for award nomination
* Name and contact information for individual submitting nomination

Letters of nomination should be forwarded to Kathlene Gerrity, CSDA Executive Director, at kgerrity@csda.com, via fax at (860) 378-1807, or via US mail to the CSDA Central Office. **Deadline for 2025 awards is January 31, 2025.**

# CSDA Special Awards:

* **Fones Medal**

The Fones Medal is presented annually to an individual in recognition of outstanding contributions, achievement and dedication to the science and/or practice of dentistry or it may be presented to an individual for outstanding achievement in the interest of humanity.

# Horace Hayden Award

The Horace Hayden Award is presented to an individual or organization in the field of communication for contributions to the interest of dentistry and dental health.

# Sal Squatrito Legislative Achievement Award

The Sal Squatrito Legislative Achievement Award is presented to an individual or organization that has significantly impacted legislation in the best interests of the public or CSDA.

# CSDA Presidential Award

Presented to a CSDA member, or any dentist, group, or other contributor that has enhanced the image and professionalism of dentistry. Nominations for the Presidential Award will be at the discretion of the CSDA president.

# Oral Health Champion Award

This award may be given to any outside organization that has shown or produced a major initiative for improving the oral health of the citizens of Connecticut. This award can be recommended by any member of the organization, the Executive Director, or Board of Governors.

# CSDA Service Awards:

* **CSDA Distinguished Service Award**

The CSDA Distinguished Service Award is presented to a Life member who has shown exemplary service to the CSDA over his/ her dental career. Requirements are:

* 1. Life Membership
	2. 25 years or more of membership in the tripartite system
	3. Approval of the Board of Governors

# Task force/special projects

Task force/special projects award (s) will be presented to the CSDA member who has shown exemplary service over the year on special ad hoc projects or Task Forces. The award can be recommended by any member of the organization, the Executive Director, or Board of Governors.

# CSDA Staff Recognition Award

CSDA Staff Recognition Award will be presented to the CSDA staff member who has shown exemplary service over the year. This award can be recommended by any member of the organization or the Executive Director

# Etherington Award

The Etherington Award is presented by the Massachusetts Dental Society during the Yankee Dental Congress. This award aims “to recognize dentists of New England who have dedicated much of their professional lives to the high ideals and objectives of organized dentistry.”

**Rising Stare Dentis Award**

* Residents and New Dentists are eligible for this award if they are a member of the Connecticut State Dental Association and graduated from dental school in the past 10 years; or
* Dental Students are eligible for this award if they are a member in good standing of the UConn Chapter of the American Student Dental Association.

**Emeline Roberts Jones Award**

The Emeline Roberts Jones Award is presented to an individual who supports and upholds the role of women in dentistry, particularly in Connecticut. At the discretion of the Awards Committee, it may be presented to a dentist, non-dentist, or group that has shown itself to be worthy.

The CSDA nominates a member for this award when a worthy candidate is identified