**2018 ASPEN SECTIONS’ NEW PRACTITIONER AWARDS**

Thank you for taking the time to submit your application for ASPEN’s Practice and Specialty Sections’ New Practitioner Awards. The purpose of these awards is to recognize the achievements of new practitioners with commendable contributions towards research /practice in clinical nutrition. The award is to encourage new practitioners to participate/share their involvement in research and/or practice in nutrition support. The winners will be recognized at the 2018 ASPEN Nutrition Science and Practice Conference and will receive an ebook from ASPEN of either the Adult or Pediatric Core Curriculum. Winners will also have the opportunity to be involved in future projects within their section.

**The deadline for submissions is Monday, October 16.** Candidates should:

1. Complete this form and specify which Section their work applies to (select all that apply.)
2. Include a 1 page statement that outlines the candidate’s basic research/contributions and growth in the field nutrition support, as well as a description of how involvement in ASPEN has impacted their career thus far. Candidates with research/abstracts should include those documents to supplement the statement.
3. Provide a letter of recommendation from a colleague, advisor, or mentor.

Please contact Carolyn Woods with any questions and to submit your completed application: carolynw@nutritioncare.org.

**Candidate Profile**

**Name:**

**Employer: Title:**

**Date of graduation or start of career in clinical nutrition: (mm/yyyy)**

**Currently a member of ASPEN: Y/N**

**ASPEN Section in which your work applies (select all that apply):**

* Critical Care
* Dietetics Practice
* Drug-Nutrient Interaction
* Home and Alternate Site Care
* International Clinical Ethics
* International Clinical Nutrition
* IBERO/ Latin American
* Medical Practice
* Neonatal (NEW!)
* Nutrition Support Nurses Practice
* Pediatric
* Pediatric Intestinal Failure
* Pharmacy Practice
* Research
* Student (NEW!)

Eligibility and Selection Criteria

Individuals may submit their application for consideration if they meet the following criteria:

1. The individual must be a current student, a new practitioner (graduated within 2 years), or a clinician new to their clinical nutrition specialty (within 2 years).

2. Must be a current member of ASPEN or join before the award is conferred upon them.

3. Current Section Leaders are not eligible for consideration.

Each qualified submission will be evaluated by the Section Leaders based on the following criteria (up to 2 points each, maximum 10 points):

• Uniqueness of the study/contribution to the field of clinical nutrition

• Quality of the research design and methodology or project/initiative

• Outcomes/impact of the work

• Relevance of the conclusions or efforts to the field of clinical nutrition

• Grammar, syntax, spelling