



MICHIGAN BRANCH AALAS OUTSTANDING ASSISTANT TECHNICIAN AWARD

I. Intent

- a. Awarded annually to a branch member who is AALAS certified at the Assistant Laboratory Animal Technician Level (ALAT) in recognition of accomplishment and contribution to the promotion of laboratory animal care, AALAS, and to other care professionals.
- b. The award will consist of a plaque presented at the Michigan Branch AALAS annual banquet and a \$100.00 honorarium.

II. Eligibility

- a. The nominee must be a Michigan Branch AALAS Member (*Non members may be nominated-they will receive a one-year membership should they win*). The nominee must be an Assistant Laboratory Animal Technician.

III. Criteria

- a. Day-to-day job performance, contributing to the smooth operation of the unit. **(20 Points)**
- b. Contribution to AALAS, especially at the branch level. **(20 Points)**
- c. Benefits to the facility of employment. **(10 Points)**
- d. Participation in additional programs, such as public service, outside AALAS. **(10 Points)**

IV. Nomination form and supporting documentation

- a. Nomination form completed supporting how the nominee fits the criteria listed above. **(20 Points)**
- b. One letter of endorsement, preferably from the nominee's supervisor; endorsement letter should be limited to two typed pages, double spaced. **(10 Points)**
- c. Proof of AALAS certification, a copy of the certificate is acceptable. **(10 Points)**

V. Nomination Packet Submission & Deadline

- a. The Michigan Branch AALAS Technician Affairs Committee (TAC) Chair will set the deadline for submissions annually.
- b. The TAC Chair may choose to extend the deadline to increase participation in the awards programs.
- c. Nomination packets must be mailed directly to the TAC Chair.
- d. Nominees that do not meet the eligibility requirements outlined above will not be considered for an award.



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ALAT Nomination Form

Name of Nominee:

Job Title:

Educational Background (please list all relevant education):

List any special courses taken by the nominee:

Number of years nominee has worked in Lab Animal Medicine:

Describe the nominee's involvement in Lab Animal Medicine or Animal Care outside of work (i.e. veterinary clinic work, zoo volunteer, presenting papers or posters, teaching, other memberships, humane society volunteer):



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List any proficiencies, contributions, or accomplishments of the nominee (this may include continuing education, AALAS participation on State and National levels):

Please tell us why you believe this person should be considered for this award (i.e. character of the nominee, personal interests in the field, job efficiency, advancement of self through education or special training, overall knowledge of lab animal science):

Please feel free to add any additional information about the nominee you find pertinent:

Please check this box if you want to present the award at the banquet in the event your nominee wins (otherwise the TAC will present it):