

2016 Exemplary Award Application Frequently Asked Questions

What is the purpose for listing a Nominating Agency/Organization? By listing a nominating agency/organization, the candidate program demonstrates that an agency or organization in a leadership position is able to “vouch” for its application. Examples of a nominating agency or organization include: SSAs (single state authority), parent or umbrella organizations, Senior Level Officer or Military members from Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA), and local Alcohol and Drug Service Departments, to name a few. If you have any questions, please contact the NASADAD office at (202) 293-0090 and ask for Tracy Flinn.

Should candidate applicants list more than one Nominating Agency/Organization? No, only one Nominating Agency/Organization is required.

Can an agency or organization nominate more than one program? Yes, an agency or organization may nominate more than one program.

How is the Exemplary Award different from the CADCA Award? Can a program apply for both? The CADCA award is similar to the Exemplary Award; however, there are a few distinctions. The Exemplary Award invites coalitions to apply, and we have also opened the process up to individual agencies, organizations, programs, practices and policies. Candidates may apply for both the CADCA and Exemplary Awards if they wish.

How many applications are you expecting this year? Approximately 20-30 applications are expected

How many applications win the Exemplary Award? Typically anywhere from 1-3 winners are selected each year.

Can a program submit an application if they won the Exemplary Award in the past? A program cannot submit an application if they won the Exemplary Award within the last 3 years (2013-2015). Those who received awards prior to 2013 may apply.

Is there a limit to how many times a program can apply if they have not won an Exemplary Award in the past? There is no limit, and we encourage programs to re-apply. Many applicants have submitted more than once. This may be your year!

Are you expecting a formal logic model with the strategic plan? No, a narrative description is sufficient.

Anything else we should know before submitting an application?

1. Please have a staff member proofread the application before submitting it.
2. Please answer every question clearly, thoroughly, and provide concise information.
3. Please refer to the Application Requirements section (located on page 9 of the Application) for instructions on how to prepare the application. It is important that applicants follow the order and exact headings outlined in the instructions when presenting information.