

# MAFP Request for Nominations 2025

The Montana Academy of Family Physicians is requesting nominations for the **DENNIS SALISBURY MONTANA FAMILY PHYSICIAN OF THE YEAR**. The purpose is to honor a physician who exemplifies a compassionate commitment to improving the health and wellbeing of people and communities throughout Montana.

The candidate must be a member in good standing of the MAFP and spend at least fifty percent of his or her time in direct patient care. A nominee should exemplify the ideals of family medicine, which include providing comprehensive, compassionate services on a continuing basis to the community and possessing personal qualities that make him or her a role model to professional colleagues.

Any member of the MAFP may submit a nomination. Eligibility will be verified by the board of the MAFP. Qualified nominees may be nominated more than once; however, a member may receive the award only once. Current members of the MAFP board are not eligible of nomination.

The award presentation will be made during the MAFP Barbeque held in June, 2025, during the summer MAFP annual meeting. The physician chosen as the 2025 MAFP Family Physician of the Year may be selected as Montana's nominee for the 2025 AAFP Family Physician of the Year award.

Please send the nomination form, a current CV, a head/shoulders photo of your nominee, and up to 8 pages of supporting letters/documentation from colleagues or patients to the MAFP office no later than January 1, 2025.

Find a copy of the nomination form and more information about submission requirement at the Montana AFP web site:

<http://www.montanaafp.org/>

## PREVIOUS HONOREES

2006 + + + John Patterson, MD, Bozeman	2023 + + + Neil Sun Rhodes, M.D., Browning
2007 + + + Mark Zilkowski, MD, Wolf Point	2024 + + + Heather McRee, D.O., Helena
2008 + + + Ron Miller, MD, Whitefish	
2009 + + + Frank Michels, MD, Billings	
2010 + + + Richard Sargent, M.D., Helena	
2011 + + + Gregory Rice, M.D., Libby	
2012 + + + James Upchurch, M.D., Hardin	
2013 + + + Bruce Richardson, M.D., Havre	
2014 + + + Jay Erickson, M.D., Whitefish	
2015 + + + R. D. Marks, M.D., Ennis	
2016 + + + Roxanne Fahrenwald, M.D., Billings	
2017 + + + Laura Bennett, M.D. – Lewistown	
2018 + + + Lawrence Hemmer, M.D. – Billings	
2019 + + + Edward Stein, M.D., - Eureka	
2021 + + + Dennis Salisbury, M.D., Butte (posthumously)	
2022 + + + Serena Brewer, D.O., Butte	



# MONTANA ACADEMY OF FAMILY PHYSICIANS

**2025 MAFP DENNIS SALISBURY FAMILY PHYSICIAN OF THE  
YEAR**

**NOMINATION FORM – PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT**

PHYSICIAN'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICE ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE – HOME \_\_\_\_\_ OFFICE \_\_\_\_\_

FAX \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

MEDICAL SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

RESIDENCY PROGRAM \_\_\_\_\_

BOARD CERTIFIED \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

MAFP MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO

TOTAL YEARS IN PRACTICE \_\_\_\_\_

SOLO \_\_\_\_\_ FP GROUP \_\_\_\_\_ HMO \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

NOMINATED BY \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

**IN YOUR LETTER, PLEASE DESCRIBE THE PHYSICIAN NOMINEE  
IN RELATION TO THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:**

1. PROVIDES HIS/HER PATIENTS WITH COMPASSIONATE, CARING, AND COMPREHENSIVE FAMILY MEDICINE ON A CONTINUING BASIS DIRECTLY PARTICIPATES IN ACTIVITIES THAT ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF HIS/HER COMMUNITY
  
2. IS A CREDIBLE ROLE MODEL PROFESSIONALLY AND PERSONALLY TO HIS/HER COMMUNITY, TO OTHER HEALTH PROFESSIONALS, RESIDENTS, AND MEDICAL STUDENTS
  
3. EFFECTIVELY REPRESENT THE SPECIALITY OF FAMILY MEDICINE AND THE MAFP IN PUBLIC SPEAKING
  
4. OTHER COMMENTS

FULL PACKET MUST BE RECEIVED BY JANUARY 1, 2025

THANK YOU!

#### Nomination Requirements

1. Completed **Nomination Form**
2. Current **Curriculum Vitae**
3. Current **Head-and-shoulders photo (appropriate for publication)** of candidate

#### Supporting Documentation

1. **Maximum of 8 pages** – if more than 8 pages of supporting documentation are received, only the first 8 pages will be used. (Please note, supporting documentation does not include the nomination form or the curriculum vitae.)
2. **One side only** of each page (no-double sided pages.)
3. Please do not reduce more than **2 letters to a page**.
4. All pages must be **photocopy-ready and of reproducible quality**. Newspaper articles, odd-sized pieces of paper, etc, must be copied on an unfolded, 8 ½ x 11 sheet of paper. Anything that is not photocopy-ready will not be used.
5. The entire packet should be mailed flat with no staples – **do not fold**.