

# **Sleep Champion Award**

ISSUE DATE:	September 8, 2025
NOMINATION DUE DATE:	November 10, 2025 by 11:59 pm ET
SELECTION NOTIFICATION:	By February 27, 2026
AMOUNT OF AWARD:	<ul> <li>\$10,000 award (unrestricted funds)</li> <li>Complimentary registration for a representative to attend the SLEEP 2026 meeting</li> </ul>
LINK TO NOMINATION FORM	https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=aasmf
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#### **FUNDING INFORMATION**

The Sleep Champion Award provides the following to the selected organization:

- \$10,000 award (unrestricted funds)
  - Recipient is encouraged to use the funds to attend SLEEP 2026 and other meetings/events for educational and networking purposes
- Complimentary registration for a representative to attend the SLEEP 2026 meeting

This AASM Foundation award is supported by AASM Foundation general funds.

# **ELIGIBILITY**

The following organizations or individuals are eligible to nominate:

 Non-profit organizations may self-nominate and/or individuals who have experience volunteering with the non-profit organization may nominate.

- Only US and international non-profit organizations (501(c)3 or international equivalent) are eligible to be nominated.
- International organizations that meet all the eligibility criteria and can accept the payment of grant funds in U.S. dollars are eligible to apply.

#### **INELIGIBILITY**

The following organizations or individuals are not eligible to nominate:

- Current AASM Foundation Board of Directors members are not eligible to nominate organizations.
- Previous recipients of the Sleep Champion Award are not eligible.
- Organizations located in, or operating from, countries subject to U.S. Office of Foreign Assets Control sanctions are not eligible to receive AASM Foundation funding.

## **NOMINATION REVIEW CRITERIA AND PROCESS**

A review committee, appointed by the AASM Foundation Executive Committee will evaluate and score all submitted nominations. Factors that will be taken into consideration include:

- 1. Alignment of the organization's programs and/or initiatives with the AASM Foundation's purpose.
- 2. Examples about how the organization's programs and/or initiatives are leveraging best in class care and/or education to improve sleep health.
- 3. Nomination letter(s) build(s) a compelling case for support.

#### **NOMINATION**

#### Step 1: AASM Foundation Online Portal registration

To submit a nomination for this award, you must register on AASM Foundation <u>Online Portal</u>. Please refer to the <u>AASM Foundation Application User Guide</u> for guidance on creating an account.

# **Step 2: Complete the Nomination Form**

#### ACCESS THE 2026 SLEEP CHAMPION AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Nominations must be completed and submitted through the AASM Foundation <u>Online</u> <u>Portal</u>. Instructions for required forms are available via the online submission system. The checklist below lists the required attachments to be uploaded. For an overview of the

information that is requested on the nomination form, please download the <u>2026 Sleep</u> Champion Award Nomination Form Outline.

#### **CHECKLIST FOR NOMINATIONS**

Form	Page/Word Limit
Nominee Organization	
A. Nominee Organization	
B. Nominee Organization Primary Contact Information	
C. Primary Nominating Individual's Contact Information	
☐ Nomination Letter(s)	Up to 2 pages per letter

### **QUESTIONS**

Frequently asked questions for our grant programs can be found here.

We encourage potential applicants to contact us early in the application process with questions. Eligibility questions may need to be reviewed by a member of the AASM Foundation Executive Committee, so please allow for at least a 1-week response time for eligibility questions. For all other inquiries, please allow a minimum of two business days for a response. Please note that inquiries submitted two business days prior to an application deadline may not be answered in time.