

## GCEA Committees

Global Clinical Engineering Alliance conducts its operation through a committee structure in compliance with its Constitution and Bylaws. These documents describe their committees' function, membership, and their service term. An ongoing effort is made to represent on each committee a reflection of GCEA membership (location, practice, gender, experience, etc.)

Each committee chairperson is responsible to serve in a fiduciary role to guide their committee operation, recruit, and train new committee members, engage all its members, stimulate the exchange of experiences and creativity, and sustain timely reporting protocol to facilitate obtaining Council support for the committee direction, proper use of resources and their committee operations by the Advisory Council of GCEA.

### **Awards Program Committee**

The Awards Program Committee is responsible to create, sustain, and marketing a program that identifies excellence in Clinical Engineering Practices and healthcare technology life cycle management. Following the identification of each excellence criterion, the Committee will determine the proper award recognition for the demonstration of such excellence and its potential to serve as a model that can be duplicated and increase the impact of the CE field of practice on patient care outcomes. The program, in addition, will promote Alliances between healthcare stakeholders and segments of academia, industry, government, and other international organizations that share a similar interest in patient care outcomes.

The Committee develops and manages a program that identifies candidates (groups and individuals), recruits timely submissions of potential awardees, organizes, and markets the bestowing of awards for maximum exposure and impact. Future new recognition awards can be proposed by the Committee and submitted for AC approval.

The purpose of the Awards committee of GCEA is multifaceted:

1. **Recognition of Excellence:** The primary function is to identify and honor outstanding achievements, collaborations, innovations, and contributions within the field of Clinical Engineering. This recognition not only celebrates group or individual accomplishments but also highlights evidence of successfully fostering problem-solving and healthcare outcomes improvement approaches.
2. **Promotion of Best Practices:** By acknowledging exemplary work, the awards committee promotes and encourages the adoption of best practices and standards within the Clinical Engineering community. This can inspire others to strive for collaboration, exchange, excellence demonstration, and innovation in their own projects or programs.
3. **Fostering Collaboration and Networking:** The awards process involves peer review and collaboration among professionals from diverse backgrounds and expertise areas. This fosters networking opportunities and encourages knowledge exchange among Clinical Engineering practitioners, academia, and industry leaders. In addition, this recognition program enables other healthcare stakeholders to engage with GCEA functions.
4. **Elevating the Profile of GCEA:** Recognizing outstanding achievements enhances the reputation and credibility of GCEA on a global scale. It demonstrates GCEA's commitment to excellence and its role in advancing the profession.
5. **Inspiring Future Generations:** Awards and recognition serve as powerful motivators for aspiring engineers, technologists, technicians, and students. By showcasing the accomplishments of leaders in the field, the awards committee can inspire the next generation of Clinical Engineering practitioners to pursue ambitious goals and make meaningful contributions to mankind.
6. **Driving Innovation:** By highlighting innovative projects and technologies, the awards committee encourages continued exploration and development within the Clinical Engineering community. This helps drive progress and

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innovation in various domains, from devices, systems, and digital health to cutting-edge technologies.

Overall, the awards committee plays a crucial role in celebrating achievements, promoting excellence, fostering collaboration, bridging remote practitioners, and inspiring future generations within the Global Clinical Engineering community and other healthcare stakeholders.

### **Committee Member Responsibilities: Ethics, Privacy, Integrity, Confidentiality & Transparency**

Each Committee Member shall perform their duties in accordance with the GCEA Constitution, Bylaws, and applicable policies, and shall uphold the highest standards of professional integrity, neutrality, and ethical conduct. Members shall protect confidential and non-public information obtained through committee work—including member data, draft documents, contracts, and similar communications—and shall use such information only for authorized GCEA purposes. Members shall comply with all privacy requirements and data-handling rules established by GCEA, including limiting access to personally identifiable information to a strict “need-to-know” basis, using approved communication channels, and promptly reporting any suspected privacy or security incident. Members shall avoid conflicts of interest and shall disclose any actual, potential, or perceived conflict (including financial, professional, institutional, or personal relationships) as soon as it arises; when a conflict exists, the Member shall recuse themselves from related discussions, evaluations, voting, and decisions as directed by the Committee Chair. Any misuse of position, data, or influence is prohibited and may result in removal from the committee and other corrective action consistent with GCEA governance.