

REGISTRATION OPEN



JIN CARE Dinner & Awards

Career Advancement and Research Ex

REGISTER HERE!

Thursday, January 15, 2026

4:30pm – 7:30pm

Doubletree by Hilton
'Canterbury Room'
4727 Concord Pike
Wilmington, DE 19803

- Network
- Collaborate
- Recognize Peers and Mentors

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Seema S. Sonnad Mentor-of-the-Year Award

We are also asking for nominations for the Seema S. Sonnad Mentor-of-the-Year Award. Please go to the registration link to nominate your favorite mentor. Attendance at the event is not needed to nominate someone.

Please provide your nominee's name and share the reasons you believe they should be acknowledged. Feel free to highlight the qualities they exhibit that showcase their exceptional mentorship. You may nominate anyone that you feel is an exceptional mentor for you (they do not have to be a Primary PI).

To help with your decision, below is some of the criteria that may make a good mentor:

- Helps to set concrete goals and helps you achieve these goals
- A good listener who also communicates clearly
- Provides honest feedback that is not demeaning
- Does not micromanage through unrealistic expectations and demands
- Defines people by their strengths and potential rather than limitations
- Respects their trainees as a peer rather than a cheap pair of hands

Past Recipients:

2016 Melinda Duncan, PhD, FARVO, UDel

2017 Andy Kolb, MD Nemours

2018 Claudine Jurkovitz, MD, MPH, CC

2019 Anne Kazak, PhD, ABPP, Nemours

2020-2022 – *hiatus due to COVID-19*

2023 – Melissa Alderfer, PhD, Nemours Children's Health

2024 – Susan D. Smith, PhD, RN, ChristianaCare Health Services

Questions? Contact Mentoring@de-ctr.org