NRC Health *Excellence* Awards

2021 Media Kit Guidelines





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2021 NRC Health *Excellence* Awards

Communication guidelines 2021

As a winner of the 2021 NRC Health *Excellence* Award, we invite you to celebrate your success with your customers, employees, and community. Please carefully read the following communication guidelines before you begin promotion.

NRC Health will publicly announce the winners on Wednesday, August 4. We ask that you please refrain from any award announcement until then.

The 2021 NRC Health Symposium will be in Nashville, TN. Award winners will be recognized during the formal awards ceremony at the conference. For more information, or if you have any questions regarding the awards announcement, please contact <u>events@nrchealth.com</u>.

Healthcare facilities throughout the nation have initiated both paid and unpaid promotional campaigns to let consumers in their communities know they have been selected as 2021 NRC Health *Excellence* Award winners.

To assist in promoting the award, NRC Health provides media-kit and communication support to hospitals and health systems that have won a 2021 NRC Health *Excellence* Award.

In an effort to protect the integrity of the 2021 NRC Health *Excellence* Award and ensure all information released to the media and public is accurate, NRC Health has long instituted a policy of reviewing all written communications concerning national award recognition.

Winning facilities may promote the award to the general news media at no cost through press releases and earned media; however, copy must first be submitted to NRC Health for review.

Questions?

For more information, please contact the NRC Health events team at events@nrchealth.com.

2021 NRC Health *Excellence* Awards facts

NRC Health

NRC Health has brought data-driven visibility to patient-centered care for more than 40 years. Realtime Feedback from NRC Health takes you inside the care experience faster than ever before. Immediate insights enable you to impact processes, inspire staff behavior change, and implement service recovery at the earliest possible stage—your best opportunity to influence loyalty.

2021 NRC Health Excellence Awards selection and methodology

EXCELLENCE AWARDS

The 2021 NRC Health *Excellence* Awards focus on an integration of metrics and analytics that uncover insights for effective performance improvement, quality measurement, and more.

Excellence in Patient Experience—Large Health System

One health system with five or more hospitals measuring across the continuum of care was selected based on its Real-time NPS score for the "Would Recommend Facility" question during the time period of April 1, 2020–March 31, 2021, out of 35 eligible health systems.

Excellence in Patient Experience—Small Health System

One health system with fewer than five hospitals measuring across the continuum of care was selected based on its Real-time NPS score for the "Would Recommend Facility" question during the time period of April 1, 2020–March 31, 2021, out of 42 eligible health systems.

Excellence in Patient Experience—Pediatric

One children's hospital measuring across the continuum of care was selected based on its Real-time NPS score for the "Would Recommend Facility" question during the time period of April 1, 2020– March 31, 2021, out of 25 eligible facilities.

Excellence in Patient Experience—Large Hospital

One facility with 100 or more beds measuring across the continuum of care was selected based on its Real-time NPS score for the "Would Recommend Facility" question during the time period of April 1, 2020–March 31, 2021, out of 61 eligible facilities. This selection criteria excluded health systems and children's hospitals.

Excellence in Patient Experience—Small Hospital

One facility with fewer than 100 beds measuring across the continuum of care was selected based on its Real-time NPS score for the "Would Recommend Facility" question during the time period of April 1, 2020–March 31, 2021, out of 59 eligible facilities. This selection criteria excluded health systems and children's hospitals.

Excellence in Patient Experience— Medical Group

One medical group was selected based on its Real-time NPS score for the "Would Recommend Facility" question during the time period of April 1, 2020–March 31, 2021, out of 41 medical groups.

Excellence in Health System Loyalty

One health system, located in the national market, was selected based on the highest system (aggregate) Loyalty Index Score. This facility had 150 or more Top of Mind mentions, and was selected out of 371 eligible facilities. The facility was also NRC Health Market Insights client during the time period of April 1, 2020–March 31, 2021.

Excellence in Transparency

Three organizations utilizing NRC Health's Transparency solution were selected based on the number of published comments during the time period of April 1, 2020–March 31, 2021.

- Tier 1: 30,000 or more comments published—(90.46% Transparent); n-size: 11 Clients
- Tier 2: 10,000–29,999 comments published—(96.22% Transparent); n-size: 47 Clients
- Tier 3: 1,000–9,999 comments published—(98.28% Transparent); n-size: 66 Clients

Excellence in Care Transitions

One organization utilizing NRC Health's Care Transitions was selected based on its highest percentage of alerts closed—during the time period of April 1, 2020–March 31, 2021, out of 146 eligible facilities.

Newcomer of the Year

The Newcomer of the Year Award is presented to a large hospital or health system that is a new NRC Health client. It must serve a diverse patient mix and have pledged to take a customer/human-centric approach to care. It should also be focused on producing innovative technologies and treatments to advance care with a high patient-NPS score.

2021 NRC HEALTH EXCELLENCE IN HUMAN UNDERSTANDING AWARD

The 2021 NRC Health *Excellence in Human Understanding* Award is presented to a nominated individual, department, or organization that has performed an exemplary act of Human Understanding or instituted a process that now exhibits Human Understanding where it did not exist before in the care experience. An award submission can be made by any peer, coworker, or NRC Health associate.

NRC Health defines Human Understanding as the complete comprehension of a customer's preferences, needs, behaviors, and experiences—realized not as an episode, but as a relationship.

Press-release template

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

[Organization] Earns 2021 NRC Health Excellence Award for Top Patient-Satisfaction Ratings

DATE, YEAR (CITY, STATE)—[Organization] was honored by <u>NRC Health</u> as a recipient of its 2021 NRC Health *Excellence* Awards, which recognize top-performing hospitals and health systems in overall patient-satisfaction ratings.

The 2021 NRC Health *Excellence* Awards are given each year to an elite group of winners that have demonstrated an exceptional commitment to improving the care experience, earning top satisfaction ratings from patients and their families. Their desire to better understand patient needs and aspiration to design experiences that inspire loyalty embody the NRC Health mission to bring Human Understanding[™] to healthcare. Winners were selected from the extensive database of NRC Health hospital clients for their performance over the last four quarters. [Organization] was selected for its first-place ranking in the [category] of [type] hospitals.

"We are very proud to recognize the amazing organizations that have continued to put their patients first even in the face of an unimaginable crisis," said Helen Hrdy, Chief Growth Officer at NRC Health. "We commend these honorees for their service and passion in providing outstanding care for patients and their families and for truly embracing our mission of Human Understanding. Congratulations, [Organization] for this well-deserved award."

[Quote from Organization]

For nearly four decades, NRC Health has helped healthcare organizations illuminate and improve the moments that matter most to patients, residents, physicians, nurses, and staff. The 2021 NRC Health *Excellence* Award winners were publicly announced on Wednesday, August 4, during the 27th Annual NRC Health Symposium. A complete list of winners can be found <u>here</u>.

About NRC Health

For over 40 years, National Research Corporation (NRC Health) (NASDAQ: NRC) has been committed to achieving Human Understanding and bringing healthcare organizations closer to their customers than ever before by illuminating and improving the key moments that define an experience and build trust. Guided by their uniquely empathic heritage, proprietary methods, skilled associates, and holistic approach, NRC Health helps its customers design experiences that exceed expectations, inspire loyalty and improve well-being among patients, residents, physicians, nurses and staff. For more information, write to info@nrchealth.com, or visit www.nrchealth.com.

About [Organization] [INSERT ORGANIZATION BOILER PLATE]

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Social-media guidelines

Promoting your award on social media

We are just as excited as you are to share the news of your award. Don't forget to tag @NRCHealth in your tweets and use the hashtag #HealthcareAward in your posts to see what other winners are sharing, too.

Digital award logos

Downloading award logos

Digital versions of the 2021 NRC Health Excellence Award logos are available at:

2021 NRC Health Excellence Award

2021 NRC Health Excellence in Human Understanding Award

Your organization is authorized to use only the logo file for the award received. Misuse of award logos may result in your organization forfeiting recognition.

Examples of the award logos are as follows:

