

2020 Vista Application Guidelines

Application Deadline – September 30, 2019

Requirements for Eligibility

Eligible applicants include design professionals and other individuals working with the design and construction of hospitals, ambulatory care facilities, long-term care facilities, and medical office buildings.

- Projects must have been completed between January 1, 2011 and December 31, 2016.
- Your project must have a minimum of six months post-occupancy or post-completion data.
- Only one project can be submitted per category from any single health care facility, although an organization may submit more than one project from different facilities in its system or alliance.
- The following will deem an entry ineligible:
 - Failure to adhere to the instructions noted in the Vista Application Process
 - Lack of team representation or lack of support from the health care facility
 - Use of watermarks or other distracting graphic elements
 - Commercial endorsements
 - Testimonials
 - Incomplete application/submission

Vista Application Process

- Each entry must be prepared in a soft spiral-bound portfolio (entries submitted in three-ring binders will not be accepted).
- Each entry must include two copies of the portfolio submissions, along with a USB version of the submission.
- Electronic submission should be no larger than 10 MB.

Each submission must include the following (in the order listed):

SECTION I—GENERAL INFORMATION

- Official application
- List of the team members (no more than six) that includes the following for each member (name, title, organization, city, state, and role on team)
- Letter from the health care organization's CEO acknowledging and supporting the application
- Description of the project, including the mission, vision, and overall goal in terms of the population to be served and staff considerations

SECTION II—TEAM APPROACH

Provide written documentation of the team's performance. In your narrative (1,000 words maximum), describe what was unique and notable about the team's overall performance in terms of:

- Pre-planning, development, and implementation stages
- Communication on project development and status
- Meeting the organization's strategic and master plans
- Time management
- Financial considerations for completing the project on time and on budget
- Commissioning
- Supporting the needs of the community
- Enhancing staff productivity
- Maintaining facility performance during various project phases
- Supporting an organizational realignment
- Delivery method

SECTION III—TEAM CHALLENGES

Describe the obstacles you overcame and how you addressed them. Obstacles are events or situations that, if not addressed, would have prevented you from carrying out other strategies or kept you from fully meeting your goals. (1,000 words maximum.)

SECTION IV—POSTOCCUPANCY/POST-COMPLETION EVALUATION

(1,000 words maximum)

Explain the economic (and other) benefits that you expect to gain from your project. (Include statistics, benchmarks, and comparisons to previous practices, buildings, or infrastructure.)

Provide written documentation that includes a minimum of six months post-occupancy (or post-completion) data demonstrating how the team achieved the desired outcomes in terms of:

- Space efficiency
- Environmental awareness
- Flexibility of design
- Projected vs. actual costs
- General aesthetics
- Energy efficiency

SECTION V—SUPPORTING VISUAL DOCUMENTATION

Provide (no more than ten) 8½" x 11" visual elements. These can include drawings (site plan, floor plans, and elevations) and photographs showing in sufficient detail the major functions and operational aspects of the project. Please include a separate file of all photos. Photos should be high resolution or at least 300 dpi, in JPEG format.

Submitting Your Entry

DATES/DEADLINES

All entries must be received by September 30, 2019.

ENTRY FEE

The Vista Award entry fee is \$395 per submission. All entry fees are non-refundable. Include a check or money order made payable to ASHE with your entry.

SEND ENTRIES TO:

American Society for Healthcare Engineering
Attention: Vista Entry (C. Osborne)
155 N. Wacker Drive, Suite 400
Chicago, IL 60606

Award Benefits

- One complimentary registration for the 2020 International Summit & Exhibition on Health Facility Planning Design and Construction™ (PDC Summit).
- A special overall team project award to be presented at the PDC Summit in 2020.
- Complimentary exposure in the Architectural for Health Showcase, including a gallery display, a listing in the Compendium, and a listing on archshowcase.org. Visit ashe.org/gallery for details.
- Recognition in *Inside ASHE* and *Health Facilities Management* publications.

Additional Award Information

JUDGING PANEL

The panel, which reviews all entries and selects winners, will include representatives from the health care planning, design, and construction professions. All judging decisions are final.

NOTIFICATION

Organizations and representatives selected to receive an award will be notified in writing by January 10, 2020.

DISCLAIMER(S)

ASHE reserves the right to change any part of these rules at any time without prior notification.

Submissions become the property of ASHE and will not be returned. By submitting an entry, all individuals, organizations, and companies named in the application agree to release their names, likenesses, and all of the submitted materials for publication at any time by ASHE and/or AHA.

ASHE cannot be held responsible for lost, misdirected, damaged, or incomplete submissions.

QUESTIONS?

Please contact **Charmaine Osborne** at cosborne@aha.org.