



Virginia Academy of Clinical Psychologists (VACP) is the voice of professional clinical psychology within the Commonwealth of Virginia. Its purpose is "the advancement of Clinical Psychology as a science, as a profession, and as a means of promoting human welfare by developing and encouraging high standards of ethics and training; by providing the opportunity for the exchange of experience and research through discussions, presentation and publications; and by educating the public in the purposes and goals of the art and science of the practice of clinical psychology for the promotion of the public welfare.

To recognize outstanding contributions from within the membership of VACP we are pleased to announce a series of awards designed to recognize and highlight contributions and special service of VACP members who have gone above and beyond the call of duty in service to the profession and association. The yearly winners are selected by the VACP awards committee and presented at the VACP Spring Convention.

Early Career Contributions to Psychology

- Awarded to a psychologist, early in their career, who has made outstanding contributions to VACP and/or the profession of psychology. To qualify the candidate should have received their doctoral degree in the past 10 years.

2022 Award Winner: Dr. Heather Bruschwein

Psychologist of the Year

- Presented to a psychologist who has made significant contributions to the profession of psychology in the immediate past year. Since this award is presented at the Spring Conference, the period of consideration for the award is January 1 through December 31 of the year preceding the Spring Conference. The contribution may be to VACP or psychology in general at the local, state or national level.

2022 Award Winner: Dr. Andrea Miller

Lifetime Achievement Award

- Awarded to an individual who has made extremely significant contributions to VACP and the profession of psychology during their career. At a minimum they should have served as a psychologist and made contributions for at least 20 years to be considered for this award.

2022 Award Winner: Dr. Cathy Rea