Created in 1983, the John P. Hubbard Award is given annually to individuals who make outstanding contributions to the pursuit of excellence in the field of assessment in medical education.

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“The Hubbard Award is key to recognizing the contributions of those devoted to the science of professional assessment. Their work highlights the important role that assessment plays in education and its implications in health care.”

Alex J. Mechaber, MD, Vice President, USMLE and NBME
Former Chair of the Hubbard Award Committee

To nominate an outstanding individual for their excellence in the field of assessment in medical education, send a nomination letter specifically addressing the nominee’s achievements in relation to at least one criteria stated below and the nominee’s current CV to HubbardAward@nbme.org no later than September 29, 2023. The Award Committee will select finalists. Nominators of finalists may be asked to submit additional information.

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Criteria for consideration includes outstanding achievement in all of the following areas:

- A substantial record of fostering the development of assessment methods and/or measurement techniques
- Personal contributions to basic or applied research in the creation or improvement of assessment methodology
- Accomplishment in improving the quality of assessment at an organizational level
- Contributions through the education or mentoring of students, colleagues, fellows, or graduate students, to further assessment research

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