



2021 NOMINATION CRITERIA SIRIS INVESTIGATION OF THE YEAR

NHCAA invites nominations for the 2021 SIRIS Investigation of the Year Award. This annual award honors an outstanding and effective health care fraud investigation and its impact on fraud deterrence and prevention as a result of a SIRIS entry. In an effort to acknowledge the value of SIRIS to the successful investigation of health care fraud, NHCAA encourages both government agencies and public/private insurers to submit their SIRIS, initiated or substantially enhanced, case nominations.

Submission Criteria

- Eligible nominees must be employed by an NHCAA [Member Organization](#), [Affiliate Member](#), or [Government Liaison](#) agency.
- The case **must** be a result of or greatly enhanced by:
 - receiving additional intelligence from other SIRIS users after having entered a provider case or scheme,
 - researching cases or schemes in the SIRIS database, or
 - submitting a Request for Investigation Assistance (RIA) through SIRIS.
- To be eligible for nomination, investigations must either 1) be in the final adjudication stages or 2) have been adjudicated between August 1, 2020, and July 31, 2021. Investigative activity may have commenced prior to August 1, 2020, but the case must be ongoing during the aforementioned timeframe.
- Nominations must be received at NHCAA no later than **FRIDAY, JULY 23, 2021** to be eligible for consideration. Late additions may not be accepted.
- An organization may submit multiple nominations.

Selection Criteria and Scoring Weight

Selection of the winning nomination will be based on these criteria, but a submission need not meet every criterion to be considered.

- Scheme complexity (20%),
- Financial impact (10%),
- Impact or potential impact to patients' health or health records (10%),
- Innovative approach to the investigation (30%), and
- Public/private collaboration (30%)

If you have questions about the nomination or selection process, please contact NHCAA Awards Program at awards@nhcaa.org.