



2022 AHCA/NCAL National Quality Award Program Year Get Started New Applicants Bronze Award Level

Successful applications take time to write and finalize. If you are new to the National Quality Award Program, take the following recommended steps to help you start and stay on track beginning in August. All resources are available on the [National Quality Award website](#).

1. [Learn](#) about the benefits of applying to the program and review fast facts.
2. Download and review the Bronze Award [application packet](#).
3. Commit to invest in your staff and residents.
4. Connect your facility in the Quality Award [Portal](#).
5. Create your application writing team and [register](#) everyone in ahcancaLED for access to free educational resources and videos.
6. Download and review a recommended [month-by-month action plan](#).
7. [Attend](#) AHCA/NCAL Annual Convention & Expo for educational sessions and Quality Award Ceremony October 10-13.
8. Submit your Intent to Apply (ITA) in the Portal before the deadline on November 11 at 8 pm ET.
9. Finalize and submit your application and payment in the Portal before the deadline on January 27, 2022.

Key Dates to Know

- August 2 – 2022 Quality Award Program year begins and applications available
- September 16 – Intent to Apply (ITA) opens and Examiner applications available
- October 12 – Quality Award Ceremony and Celebration
- November 11 – ITA deadline
- January 27, 2022 – Application deadline
- Summer 2022 – Bronze, Silver, and Gold Award notifications

Have Questions?

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