



## 2018 Infant Mental Health Advocacy Award Conference Nomination Packet

Event Date: September 21, 2018 | Houston, TX

Nomination Due Date: July 1, 2018

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**About:** The Infant Mental Health Advocacy Council was formed in 1989 and established the T. Berry Brazelton, M.D., Infant Mental Health Advocacy Award in 1990. This award is in honor of Dr. Brazelton, a Texas native and well known national and international pediatrician, researcher, author and advocate for parents, infants and toddlers. The award has already been given to ten individuals at the biennial Infant Mental Health Advocacy Conference. Each award winner has made significant contributions to the improvement of mental health in the lives of infants, toddlers and their families in Texas.

First3Years' Infant Mental Health Advocacy Council objective is to bring together a diverse group of Texas professional organizations to collaborate in the process of seeking nominations for and selecting, when there is a nominee who meets the objective criteria, the Biennial T. Berry Brazelton, M.D., Infant Mental Health Advocacy Award Winner.

### Criteria for the Award include:

- Participation in advocacy efforts, above and beyond the regular scope of one's job, profession, or professional organization responsibilities on behalf of the mental health of infants and their families in Texas. The advocacy efforts will have resulted in positive changes in areas such as public policy, healthcare, educational, child care settings, or agency practices
- The results or impact of the advocacy efforts should be evident prior to August 2018.
- Occasionally the award will be given to someone for life time advocacy efforts or a special recognition award will be given to someone who has contributed significantly to their community or a particular program.



## Nomination Form

### Nominee:

Name of nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Personal phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Personal address: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of current employment: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Employment address: \_\_\_\_\_

Employment phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Personal or employment email: \_\_\_\_\_

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### References (3 are Required):

1.Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

2.Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

3.Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of person making nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach a copy of the nominee's vita/resume. If professional organization memberships and offices held are not included, please list here:

Please describe the nominee's activities and efforts espousing, supporting, defending, promoting, championing issues of concern or efforts that have changed systems, programs, agencies, communities for the better related to the healthy emotional development of infants and their families. Describe advocacy and change agent activities notable between the summer of 2016 and the summer of 2018, or lifetime advocacy efforts.

Please include:

- Overall focus/goal of advocacy efforts
- Part of infancy (birth - age 3) affected/targeted by the nominee
- Length of impact of advocacy/change on infant's family
- Length of time of nominee's advocacy change agent efforts
- Outcomes/changes/activities between summer of 2016 and summer 2018, or lifetime
- Arena of advocacy/change agent efforts (professional milieu such as hospital, agency, educational, institutional, community education/awareness, public policy at some level of government)
- Efforts made or plans to share/disseminate successful advocacy processes and techniques or new program models

Feel free to add additional information and materials which would help the panel of jurors to better understand the activities of the nominee. Please keep in mind that the advocacy efforts must be above and beyond the regular scope of the nominee's job, profession, or professional organization responsibilities on behalf of the mental health of infants and their families in Texas.