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POLICY DOCUMENT GOVERNING VENUS INTERNATIONAL HEALTHCARE AWARDS

1. PREAMBLE

The Venus International Healthcare Awards (VIHA) scheme was instituted in the year 2018 by the Center for Health and Medical Sciences (CHMS) of Venus International Foundation (VIF) is presented yearly during the Annual Healthcare Summit (AHS).

Vision	To celebrate healthcare minds of world
Mission	To recognize extraordinary physicians who are committed to extensive research expertise and services
Objectives	To honour individual physicians who demonstrated excellence in healthcare through service

2. THE VENUS INTERNATIONAL AWARD AND THE PROCESS

The award recognizes individuals for their “Quality, Reliability and Competence to Apply Knowledge and Skills” to carry out specific tasks.

2.1 The Award:

The Award is a Certificate. It is a formal authentication; A seal of approval.

2.2 The Scheme:

The scheme has a policy, nomination form, expert committee and judging process that are governed by the BOARD OF TRUST.

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2.3 The Process:

This section describes the Venus International Award processes in steps.

S.No.	Process
2.3.1	Nomination Form
2.3.2	Secretariat Review
2.3.3	Document Review
2.3.4	Preliminary Assessment
2.3.5	Verification
2.3.6	Peer Assessment
2.3.7	Committee's Decision
2.3.8	Declaration to the Nominee
2.3.9	Registration to the Event
2.3.10	Award Presentation

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3. THE 9TH HEALTHCARE AWARDS

The 9th Venus International Healthcare Awards – VIHA 2026 (F.No.HA26/SN09/AAP–II) is convened by the CHMS of VIF and will be conducted in accordance with the VIF BOARD MEETING resolution vide F. No. VIF/MIN/BM–II/2025 held on 9 December 2025 at VIF Head Quarters.

Following are the list of specialties to be considered for the VIHA 2026.

S.No.	Specialties	Code
3.1	Medical Specialties	MS
3.2	Medical Super Specialties	MSS
3.3	Surgical Specialties	SS
3.4	Surgical Super Specialties	SSS
3.5	Biomedical Sciences	BM
3.6	Public Health	PB

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4. GENERAL ELIGIBILITY

This annual award is open to 'Physicians, Healthcare Researchers, and Faculty Member' of any nationality, who is in good standing at the time of nomination, and in the age group of 27 – 75 years with good academic and service record. The nominee must have completed a recognized Post Graduate/Doctorate Degree or its equivalent.

4.1 Issues Affecting the Eligibility

Any healthcare practitioner profile can be submitted for VIHA 2026 provided that there are no adverse outcomes (all findings) by the CONCERN AUTHORITY due to

- a) Misconduct
- b) Deficient professional performance
- c) Criminal conviction
- d) Caution and formal warnings
- e) Disciplinary action by the employer.

4.2 Evaluation Criteria

Exceptional Practice – Selfless Dedication and High Standards of Commitment – Distinct Innovations and Initiatives in Patient Care and Wellbeing – Policy Making and Planning in Healthcare Establishments – Contributions to Safety and Quality – Novel and Effective Treatment Methods.

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5. AWARD CATEGORIES AND CRITERIA

Following are the list of categories to be considered for the 9th Venus International Healthcare Awards – VIHA 2026.

S.No	Categories	Code
5.1	Award for Excellence	AE
5.2	Professor of the Year	PY
5.3	Outstanding Physician	OP
5.4	Outstanding Researcher	OR
5.5	Young Physician	YP
5.6	Young Researcher	YR

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5.1 Award for Excellence (Code: AE)

This award is established in 2018 and has been conferred for a remarkable Physicians who demonstrated a track record of exceptional practice/research, selfless dedication and sustained high standards of commitment that are reflected by the distinct innovations and initiatives in the patient care and wellbeing.

Criteria:

- ✓ The nominee must be well-known and should have a track record of sharing expertise with other professionals as documented by presentations, authorship of articles/papers.
- ✓ The nominee must have made a contribution to leadership, policy making and planning in healthcare research and establishments.
- ✓ The nominee must be above 44 years of age and at least have 20 years of service as on 1st December 2025.

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5.2 Professor of the Year (Code: PY)

This award is established in 2018 and has been conferred for a remarkable healthcare faculty member who demonstrated exceptional academic records and a commitment to high standards of professional life, contributions to the institution and initiation of new services for students, faculty and other members of the community.

Criteria:

- ✓ The nominee must have track record of sustained excellence in institution initiatives that have had a significant impact on healthcare education and research. Contributions through leadership in faculty governance or administrative work, development of a new program, integration of innovative approaches to learning and publications (articles and books).
- ✓ The award is open to a faculty member working in an academic institution in the regular, research and teaching.
- ✓ The nominee must be above 50 years of age and at least have 25 years of service as on 1st December 2025.

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5.3 Outstanding Physician

This award is established in 2018 and has been conferred for Physicians who demonstrated a track record of contributions to Hospital / Institution that advances the safety and quality of patient care and well-being.

Criteria:

- ✓ The nominee must have successfully introduced novel or effective treatment methods that are recognized by their peers.
- ✓ The nominee must be above 34 years of age and at least have 10 years of service as on 1st December 2025.

5.4 Outstanding Researcher

This award is established in 2018 and has been conferred for Physicians who demonstrated a track record of contributions to Hospital / Medical Laboratory / Institution that advances the safety and quality of patient care and well-being.

Criteria:

- ✓ The nominee must have successfully introduced novel or effective research or treatment methods that are recognized by their peers.
- ✓ The nominee must be above 34 years of age and at least have 10 years of service as on 1st December 2025.

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5.5 Young Physician

This award is established in 2018 and has been conferred for Physicians who demonstrated a track record of contributions to Hospital / Institution that advances the safety and quality of patient care and well-being.

Criteria:

- ✓ The nominee must have successfully introduced novel or effective treatment methods that are recognized by their peers.
- ✓ The nominee must be above 27 years of age and at least have 5 years of service as on 1st December 2025.

5.6 Young Researcher

This award is established in 2018 and has been conferred for Physicians who demonstrated a track record of contributions to Hospital / Medical Laboratory / Institution that advances the safety and quality of patient care and well-being.

Criteria:

- ✓ The nominee must have successfully introduced novel or effective research or treatment methods that are recognized by their peers.

The nominee must be above 27 years of age and at least have 5 years of service as on 1st December 2025.

6. CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The process for VIHA commences with the release of “Call for nominations”.

The 9th Venus International Healthcare Awards – VIHA 2026 invites nominations vide F. No. VIF/CFN/HA/2026 opened on 9 January 2026 from 'Physicians, Healthcare Researchers and Faculty Members' working at Government or Private Hospitals / Clinical Establishments / Laboratories / Research / Academic Institutions with a recognized qualification.

Further information, “ELIGIBILITY”, policy document and formats are available electronically on the official website:

<https://www.venusinfo.org/medical/2026/ahs.html>

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7. JUDGING

The VIHA 2026 judging is a peer review process. The panel (from diverse backgrounds, working individually) is instructed to score entries from 0 to 100, using the criteria (as mentioned in the section 3 and 5).

7.1. The panel aggregates scores and determine the category. The panel decision is final and binding.

7.2. For each category/specialty (Eg. Award for Excellence in Cardiology) the expert committee will select 2 nominees. However the apex committee reserve the rights to honour less or more than 2 nominees in any category who meet standards set by the expert committee.

7.3. The committee will use discretion if an individual is nominated for two concurrent awards and will move the nomination to appropriate category based on their judgment.

7.4. In case, if a nominee meets the criteria for an award, other than the one nominated for, the committee will be deciding to move the nomination to a suitable category.

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8. SELECTION PROCESS

This section describes the total VIHA 2026 processes in steps

S. No	Process
8.1	Preliminary assessment / Screening
8.2	Acknowledgement intimation to the nominee
8.3	VIHA team may ask proof for credits mentioned in the cv (optional)
8.4	Cross verifying the documents and forwarding it to the committee
8.5	Selected nominees will be communicated with an official email
8.6	AHS 2026 registration (<i>Refer Annexure – B</i>)
8.7	Release of the winners list in an official webpage
8.8	An official invitation email will be communicated to receive the award
8.9	Award presentation ceremony
8.10	Summary of AHS 2026 will be released in an official webpage

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9. IMPORTANT DATES

9.1	Entries open	9 January 2026
9.2	Closing date	25 June 2026
9.3	To submit supporting documents	29 June 2026
9.4	Announcement of winners	On or before 5 July 2026
9.5	Award presentation	5 December 2026

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10. SUBMISSION

A working professional can nominate an 'Eligible Individual' (or self-nominate) for VIHA 2026.

Following are the list of documents to be submitted for nomination:

10.1	The filled nomination form in pdf/.doc/.docx format
10.2	Duly completed curriculum vitae (of any format /pages)
10.3	Recent photograph
10.4	Copy of degree certificate (PG or PhD or Equivalent)
10.5	Copy of registration certificate (s)/ license (s) if applicable
10.6	Copy of workplace ID

Nominee has to submit the filled form and other documents electronically to:

viha2026@venusinfo.org (AND) directorvifindia@gmail.com

Note:

The VIHA 2026 no longer requires a hardcopy of the nomination files. Non-compliant nominations will not be accepted for process. Acknowledgment of receipt of nomination will be sent via email in 2/3 working days

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11. AWARD PRESENTATION

The 9th Venus International Healthcare Awards – VIHA 2026 will be held on 5 December 2026 at Green Park Chennai, India. The Awards will be presented to the winners by the BOARD OF TRUSTEES of Venus International Foundation.

12. HEADQUARTERS

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THE 9TH ANNUAL HEALTHCARE SUMMIT – AHS 2026

<https://venusinfo.org/medical/2026/ahs.html>

The Annual Healthcare Summit (AHS) provides a forum for talented multidisciplinary healthcare professionals to collaborate in high-quality health services research and practices. It supports collaborative relationships to create and disseminate new scientific knowledge that will help to generate impactful research about the safety and quality, efficiency, and effectiveness of healthcare practice.

The 9th Annual Healthcare Summit – AHS 2026 (Event Code: HS26EN09SN-047 | Event Type: Scientific Conference) invites Healthcare Professionals, Researchers and Professors working at Teaching Hospitals/ Clinical Establishments/ Research Laboratories/ Academic Institutions.

- **Theme:** *"Early disease detection, personalized treatment and prevention"*

Abstract Submission and Guidelines: The AHS 2026 seeks original, high-quality proposals describing the research and results that contribute to advancements in their major areas. Further information and documents are available electronically on the official website:

<https://www.venusinfo.org/medical/2026/authors.html>

Publications: All the selected and registered abstracts will be published in AHS 2026 Post Conference Proceedings with ISBN.

Previous Event:

8th Annual Healthcare Summit – AHS 2025:

<https://venusinfo.org/medical/2025-ahs.html>

THE AHS 2026 REGISTRATION

Category	Registration Fee (Including GST*)
High Income Countries	USD 610
Middle Income Countries	USD 400
Indian Delegates	INR 18,000

* The prevailing GST (Goods and Services Tax) rate is 18%.

Registration is mandatory for all the Delegates for participating in the Conference.

AHS 2026 Registration provides Entry Pass for Two people. One for the Delegate and another One for the Accompanying person

REGISTRATION INCLUDES:

1. Access to All Sessions
2. E–Certificate of Participation and Presentation
3. Conference Pass and Program (printed version)
4. Tea Breaks and High Buffet Lunch
5. Promotion in Conference Website & Social Media
6. Electronic copy of the ISBN Proceedings

Note:

a) Accompanying persons can join for Tea Breaks and High Buffet Lunch. However, accompanying persons are allowed ONLY to attend the Conference Sessions as a Listener. And, Accompanying persons are not eligible to present/access the conference sessions.

b) The AHS 2026 Registration does not include the Delegate expenses including all costs for travel, accommodation and personal expenses.

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