

## Veterinary Business Excellence Award Criteria

### Introduction

The New Zealand Veterinary Association Te Pae Kīrehe (NZVA) recognises that certain individuals, or organisations, accomplish extraordinary achievements on behalf of the profession and as such need to be acknowledged. The Veterinary Business Excellence Award was established in 2017.

### Award Criteria

This award category is open to any veterinarian or veterinary business within New Zealand. The Award will recognise demonstrated business excellence that supports employee wellbeing, workplace innovation, entrepreneurial flair, professional leadership and collaboration, and/or customer service in a way that reflects positively on the veterinary profession.

### Eligibility

Nominees are not required to be members of the NZVA.

### Nominations

Nominations for the award will be called for annually with information advertised in VetNews and on the NZVA website. Nominators must be a member of the NZVA.

At a minimum each nomination must be accompanied with the following;

1. The name, email, telephone number of the nominator as well as your relationship to the nominee.
2. A cover letter with a brief statement outlining how the clinical practice has demonstrated business excellence.

Nominations may also be accompanied with the following;

1. Media articles written about the nominee (in pdf format or by web link).
2. Letters of support (maximum of 500 words in each).
3. Articles written by the nominee (in pdf format or by web link).

Nominees should not be made aware of their nomination, to avoid disappointment in the event that their nomination is unsuccessful.

### Selection and Presentation

The Awards Committee of the NZVA will consult the Veterinary Business Branch who will make a recommendation on each nomination. The Committee's decision on who will receive awards is final and binding, and no correspondence will be entered into about the decision. The award will be presented by the Veterinary Business Branch President, at an appropriate occasion chosen by the President.