



United States Public Health Service Excellence in Public Health Pharmacy Award Fall 2016 – Spring 2017

Award Process

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Any pharmacy student currently enrolled in an accredited school of pharmacy through the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE).

WHO CAN NOMINATE?

The nomination may be made by the Pharmacy School or College Dean, Awards Committee, Faculty Member, or student pharmacy organization. The final award nomination must be made through the Pharmacy School Dean or Awards Committee.

NOMINATION PACKAGE COMPONENTS

1. Provide a brief summary of achievements (25 words or less) suitable for public display.
2. The nomination narrative must be no longer than two typed pages, single spaced and no smaller font than 12. (Do not send letters of recommendation, CVs, or other supporting materials)

AWARD CRITERIA GUIDELINES

Nominations must be reviewed competitively by the Dean or School Awards Committee. Only one pharmacy student from each pharmacy school can be nominated. Nominations should be evaluated to determine the extent to which the student demonstrated excellence and dedication to one or more of the following achievements while enrolled in pharmacy school:

1. Develop, implement, or modify an existing program that advances the overarching goals and achieve the objectives of “Healthy People 2020.”¹ The goals of Healthy People 2020 are:
 - Attain high quality, longer lives free of preventable disease, disability, injury, and premature death.
 - Achieve health equity, eliminate disparities, and improve the health of all groups.
 - Create social and physical environments that promote good health for all.
 - Promote quality of life, healthy development, and healthy behaviors across all life stages.

Examples include programs that educate patients about a specific disease or to promote healthy lifestyle choices such as providing clinical preventative services (e.g. access to healthcare, screening for chronic diseases), immunization delivery and infectious diseases prevention, sexually transmitted disease education, HIV education, treatment, and prevention, and oral health prevention (e.g. collaboration with dentists, fluoride treatment).

¹ More information on “Healthy People 2020” can be accessed at: <https://www.healthypeople.gov/>



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2. Develop, Implement, or modify an existing program that addresses the priorities of the “National Prevention Strategy²”:
 - Tobacco Free Living
 - Preventing Drug Abuse and Excessive Alcohol Use
 - Healthy Eating
 - Active Living
 - Injury and Violence Free Living
 - Reproductive and Sexual Health
 - Mental and Emotional Well-Being
3. Contributions of time, talents, or energy towards emerging or current public health issues (e.g. Zika virus or opioid epidemic).
4. Contributions of time, talents, or energy in voluntary health related service by directly or indirectly helping individuals in need through work in civic, community, or humanitarian activities. Examples could be serving in an inner-city health clinic or renovation of a health clinic in a medically underserved area.

STUDENT SELECTION

The Dean or School Awards Committee of each school or college of pharmacy will select ***one nominee*** to forward to the United States Public Health Service Pharmacy Professional Advisory Committee’s (PharmPAC) Awards Committee for evaluation. Once the nominee is selected, please verify that all required items in the nomination package are complete. The PharmPAC will aim to have a USPHS Commissioned Officer present the awards to all deserving nominees when invited and feasible.

NOMINATION REVIEW PROCESS

Nominations received are reviewed to ensure that the nominee meets the selection criteria. Award recipients will be selected by the USPHS PharmPAC Awards Committee and a confirmation email will be sent out within 5 business days after the nomination is received. If a confirmation email is not received, please contact CDR Mark S. Miller at: USPHSPharmacyAward@fda.hhs.gov. The nominator and contact person from the Award application will be notified of the nominee status by email no later than Friday March 24, 2017. For selected nominations, the award certificate will be sent to the contact person provided by the pharmacy school at least 1 week prior to the award presentation date.

Deadline: Friday, February 24, 2017. Submit nomination package to CDR Mark S. Miller at: USPHSPharmacyAward@fda.hhs.gov. **LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

² More information on the “National Prevention Strategy” can be accessed at: <http://www.surgeongeneral.gov/priorities/prevention/strategy/>