



## **PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA NATIONAL IMMUNISATION ACHIEVEMENT AWARD 2010**

### **Background**

The Public Health Association of Australia, in 2008, awarded the inaugural National Immunisation Achievement Award to honour and recognise outstanding service in the field of immunisation/vaccine preventable diseases. This Award is designed to be the Association's pre-eminent prize in the field of immunisation/vaccine preventable diseases and will be bestowed once every two years in conjunction with the PHAA National Immunisation Conference.

### **Eligibility for nomination**

A person must be nominated by a 2<sup>nd</sup> party. The PHAA bestows this competitive award on a person who through research or practice has advanced the prevention of vaccine preventable diseases at the population level. Any health practitioner can be nominated for the National Immunisation Achievement Award, provided they have made a significant contribution to the field of immunisation/vaccine preventable diseases and are not a current member of the 2010 Immunisation Conference Organising Committee.

### **Nominator**

Anyone who wishes to nominate another person for this Award must supply comprehensive information to support the nomination against the selection criteria.

Nominations should address the criteria below and will include a single page executive summary and an outline of no more than 2,000 words of the nominee's activities and their significance with a maximum of two referees who are in a position to comment on the criteria.

### **Selection criteria**

To be eligible a nominee must:

- be an Australian citizen or resident;
- have an outstanding track record in immunisation/vaccine preventable diseases
- have undertaken a substantial part of his/her work in Australia.

Nominees must have actively engaged in at least one of the following activities:

- research about immunisation/vaccine preventable diseases and application of results to improving the health of a significant population group
- advocacy for the adoption of policies and/or programs pertaining to immunisation affecting the health of a significant population group
- implementation of a program that has had a significant impact on immunisation coverage or awareness, or providing an implementation model for others to follow

- health promotion relating to immunisation/vaccine preventable diseases

Each nomination will be assessed by a panel of at least three and up to five persons convened by the PHAA Immunisation Conference Organising Committee including the PHAA President and CEO and the Immunisation Conference Committee Chair.

Members of the Conference Organising Committee are:

Peter McIntyre  
Rosemary Lester  
Michael Moore  
Stephen Lambert  
Julie Leask  
Kristine Macartney  
Helen Marshall  
Peter Richmond  
Greg Rowles

### **Nomination process**

To nominate a person for the National Immunisation Achievement Award, please follow these steps:

1. Complete a nomination form and provide justification for the nomination, specifically addressing each of the selection criteria noted above.
2. Make sure both the nominator and the nominee have signed the form.
3. By 5 pm AEST Tuesday, 15 June 2010 ensure the nomination form and supporting documentation have been received by:  
Michael Moore  
CEO, Public Health Association of Australia  
PO Box 319, Curtin, ACT 2605  
Email: phaa@phaa.net.au

### **Key dates**

- Nominations close at 5pm AEST on Tuesday, 15 June 2010
- The successful applicant will be notified by Monday 4 July 2010
- The award will be presented at the Immunisation Conference in August 2010

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