

2021 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT IN HEALTH INNOVATION AWARD

Administered by VGH & UBC Hospital Foundation, this annual award is presented to and recognizes the outstanding capabilities, achievements and exemplary leadership of a senior individual, with a current or past connection to Vancouver Coastal Health facilities, in the medical device, biotech, diagnostics and healthcare industries. The individual's contributions may include new innovations, new knowledge, and/or new ways to improve professional practice within BC's healthcare system. Their performance will be evaluated on several factors including health economic impact, partnerships, mentorship, accomplishments of milestones, and commercial growth.

Deadline for submissions: November 9, 2020 is the deadline for submissions of all 2021 Lifetime Achievement in Health Innovation Award nominations.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Nominees must be Canadian citizens residing in Canada
2. Nominees must be a current or past health care professional, clinician and/or researcher from a Vancouver Coastal Health healthcare and/or research facility (either VGH, UBC Hospital, GF Strong, VCHRI, or one of VCH's Community Health Service Centres)
3. Innovations must be successful, either commercially or with demonstrated evidence among the intended end users
4. Innovations may be from any of the following sectors: life sciences, medical device, biotech, diagnostics, healthcare
5. Retired, semi-retired, or still active in the industry in some capacity

Award Criteria:

1. Lasting impact of contribution(s) throughout career
2. Demonstration of leadership and inspiration to others in the sector
3. Positive influence on the sector on a regional, provincial, national and/or international level
4. Mentored young and upcoming members of BC's healthcare and/or life sciences sector(s)
5. Involved in significant deals (commercialization) that benefited both BC's life sciences sector and healthcare sector as a whole
6. Made majority of contributions as a current or past health care professional, clinician and/or researcher from a Vancouver Coastal Health healthcare and/or research facility

Rules of the Awards:

1. The Innovation Council of VGH & UBC Hospital Foundation (the "Foundation") shall consider all qualified nominations and material submitted with or in support thereof.
2. Material submitted with or in support of any qualified nomination shall be received on the condition that:
 - The Foundation shall not return such material or any portion thereof to the nominee or the nominators.
 - The Foundation may make such disclosure of the names of nominees and their nominators and of the innovation disclosed in such material as the Foundation considers appropriate.
 - In the case of Award winning nominees, the Foundation may also utilize photos, award videos and additional information as it deems appropriate (e.g. for press releases, advertisements, website).
 - No claim shall be made and no action shall be brought against the Foundation, its Trustees, Directors, Officers, employees or members of the Advisory Committee arising out of the use made of such material or of any such disclosure.

3. The nominee warrants that disclosure of material submitted with, or in support of, his/her nomination does not breach the terms of any contract of employment or any other contract, and that he/she is entitled to make use of the material.
4. At the discretion of the Council, nominations made in any year may be carried forward to following years.
5. The decision of the Council is final. If in the opinion of the Council there are no nominees considered suitable during a given year, no Awards shall be given.
6. Each nominee and nominators must electronically sign the prescribed Nomination Forms which will constitute his/her agreement to be bound by the Rules of the Awards.

Re-nomination — A nominee(s) may reapply for an Award in a subsequent year provided a new nomination form and supporting information are submitted, along with an updated summary. You may submit two consecutive times or a maximum of three times unless otherwise requested by the Council.

Nomination Procedures — Candidates must be nominated by one legally competent person who is not related (family member) to the nominee. The nominator and the nominee must submit and electronically sign the Nomination Form, acknowledging that they agree to be bound by the Rules of the Awards as defined in the Nomination Information on this website.

Confidentiality — We cannot guarantee confidentiality. Therefore, if this is of concern to you, please discuss your concerns with the Foundation and/or wait until your invention is protected by a patent before entering the competition.

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