AMA Public Health Awards 2017 - Call for Nominations

The AMA is seeking nominations of people or groups who have made an extraordinary contribution to health care and public health.

Recipients will be invited to attend the 2017 AMA National Conference in Melbourne at the end of May 2017, where the awards will be announced and presented. The AMA may contribute to travel costs for recipients to attend the presentation.

In the year following the presentation of the awards, recipients will have the opportunity to participate in interviews with interested media, and engage in AMA supported activities promoting their work in their field of expertise.

All awards are presented subject to a sufficient quantity and/or quality of nominations being received in each category.

Nominations are sought in the following categories:

AMA Excellence in Healthcare Award

The AMA Excellence in Healthcare Award is for an individual, not necessarily a doctor or AMA member, who has made a significant contribution to improving health or health care in Australia. The person may be involved in health awareness, health policy or health delivery.

The recipient of this award will be an individual who has made a major contribution to health care in Australia in one or more of the following criteria:

- Showing ongoing commitment to quality health & medical care; and/or
- Contributing to medical research within Australia; and/or
- Initiation and involvement in public health projects or health awareness campaigns; and/or
- Improving the availability & accessibility of medical education and medical training; and/or
- Advancing health & medical issues in the political arena; and/or
- Promoting awareness of the impact of social and economic issues on health; and/or
- Contributing to community needs as a health care provider; and/or
- Improving health care services in any field.

Nominations for this award can be submitted by any member of the community.

Recent previous recipients of this award include Associate Professor John Boffa, Ms Donna Ah Chee, Associate Professor Smita Shah, and Dr Mehdi Sanati Pour.

AMA Woman in Medicine Award

The AMA Woman in Medicine Award is for a female member of the AMA who has made a major contribution to the medical profession by:

- Showing ongoing commitment to quality care; and/or
- Contributing to medical research within Australia; and/or
- Initiation and involvement in public health projects; and/or
- Improving the availability and accessibility of medical education and medical training for women; and/or
- Contributing to medical politics.

This award is presented to a female member of the AMA. Nominations for this award may only be made by a member of the AMA.

Recent previous recipients of this award include Associate Professor Diana Egerton-Warburton, Dr Joanna Flynn AM, and Professor Kate Leslie.

AMA Women's Health Award

The AMA Women's Health Award goes to a person or group, who does not necessarily have to be a doctor or female, but who has made a major contribution to women's health by:

- Promoting and contributing to public health initiatives; and/or
- Initiating, participating and promoting health awareness campaigns; and/or
- Contributing to community needs as a health care provider; and/or
- Improving health care services in any field of women's health.

Nominations for this award can be submitted by any member of the community.

AMA Men's Health Award

The AMA Men's Health Award goes to a person or group, who does not necessarily have to be a doctor or male, but who has made a major contribution to men's health by:

- Promoting and contributing to public health initiatives; and/or
- Initiating, participating and promoting health awareness campaigns; and/or
- Contributing to community needs as a health care provider; and/or
- Improving health care services in any field of men's health.

Nominations for this award can be submitted by any member of the community.

AMA Youth Health Award

The AMA Youth Health Award goes to a young person or group of young people, 15-27 years of age, who have made an outstanding contribution to the health of young Australians by:

- Promoting and contributing to youth health initiatives; and/or
- Initiating, promoting or participating in youth health awareness; and/or
- Development of youth health promotion programs.

Nominations for this award can be submitted by any member of the community.

Nomination Information

Nominations will be reviewed by a judging panel consisting of the Federal AMA President and two members of AMA Federal Council, after a shortlisting process undertaken within the secretariat. Award recipients will be informed as soon as possible after the panel has made its decision.

Nominations for each award must include:

- a personal statement by the nominator describing the merit of the nominee/s in relation to the criteria for the relevant award;
- a current Curriculum Vitae for the nominee/s; and
- any additional supporting documentation relevant to the nomination.

Nominations, including all required documentation, should be submitted electronically to <u>awards@ama.com.au</u>.

Please read the criteria for each award thoroughly, and ensure that your nomination clearly states which category you are putting the nominee forward for.

Nominations are open from 1 February 2017, and the closing date for receipt of nominations for each award is **COB Wednesday 19 April 2017.**