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To: APHA Affiliate Members and Staff

From: Committee on Affiliates (CoA)

Re: 2010 CoA Annual Awards

Date: July 8, 2010

It gives us great pleasure to invite you to recommend candidates for the 2010 CoA Awards that will be presented on Saturday, November 6, 2010 during the Committee's Reception at the 138th American Public Health Association Annual Meeting in Denver, Colorado. The rules are few and they are simple – all APHA affiliate members are eligible. Candidates for the awards will be evaluated based on evidence of leadership, involvement in affiliate activities and a record of achievement. The nominations deadline is August 27, 2010.

- The *CoA Award for Excellence* is presented to an individual who exhibits visionary leadership, service and achievement in her /his efforts within an affiliate(s).
- The *CoA Outstanding Affiliate of the Year Award* is given to an APHA Affiliate that had made significant contributions through innovative programs and activities that impact the public's health.
- The *CoA Outstanding Student of the Year Award* is designed to recognize outstanding involvement of an undergraduate or graduate student in a state, regional and/or national public health association.

NOTE: This is the inaugural year for the student award. The CoA will provide a \$250.00 scholarship each year to the award recipient. If you would like to make a donation to the CoA Student of the Year scholarship fund, please contact Cintya Renderos, Affiliate Affairs Policy Associate at (202) 777-2425 or cintya.renderos@apha.org. Additional details of the Student Award are below.

For each nomination, the following information is requested:

- A completed CoA Nominations Form (see below)
- A concise narrative describing why the "Individual" nominee (for the Award for Excellence and Outstanding Student Award) or the "Affiliate" nominee (for the Outstanding Affiliate of the Year Award) should be considered for the award.
- A bulleted list highlighting the nominee's accomplishments and/or contributions.
- Copies of any materials that is illustrative or supportive of the nomination.
- While not "required," two letters of support for each nominee addressing issues such as leadership, innovation, and excellence are encouraged. Such letters may be included with the nomination materials or mailed/faxed separately.

2010 Committee on Affiliates (CoA) Awards Nomination Form

Nominator Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone: (____) _____ Email Address: _____

Type of Nomination (please check)

CoA Award for Excellence (Individual) _____

CoA Outstanding Affiliate of the Year Award _____

CoA Outstanding Student of the Year Award _____

Type and Length of Relationship with Nominee: _____

Nominee Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone: (____) _____ Email Address: _____

Affiliation: _____

This form must be completed by the nominator and submitted with the other nomination materials in order to be considered in the selection of the finalists for one or more of the Committee on Affiliates (CoA) awards. Once the CoA Awards Committee has chosen the finalists, additional information may be requested.

All of the above should be mailed, sent via facsimile or electronically transmitted to:

Cintya Renderos, Affiliate Affairs Policy Associate
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800 I Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001-3710
Fax: 202-777-2425, Email: cintya.renderos@apha.org.

**ALL NOMINATIONS, SUPPORTING MATERIALS AND LETTERS MUST BE POSTMARKED
NO LATER THAN AUGUST 27, 2010.**

Committee on Affiliates (CoA) Student Award

Goal:

This award is designed to recognize and support student involvement in their state, regional and/or national public health association and to encourage career development at the undergraduate and graduate level. One scholarship (\$250) may be awarded annually to either an undergraduate or graduate student majoring in public health.

Eligibility:

To be considered for this award, the candidate must be currently enrolled as a student and actively pursuing a field of study with a focus on public health and be a member of his/her state affiliate. APHA membership, including membership in the student assembly is strongly encouraged, but not required.

Note: Students that are previous recipients of this award are not eligible to apply again for a three year period.

Award Criteria:

The student must demonstrate a significant level of commitment to public health association(s) by serving in one or more leadership roles at the local, regional or national level. The award recipient will be selected based on her/his demonstrated achievement in one or more of the following three areas relating to public health at the affiliate level:

- increasing student membership, engagement and participation,
- encouraging and enhancing education and training opportunities, and/or
- contributing to the field of public health at the affiliate level

Selection Criteria:

The Committee on Affiliates (CoA) Awards Committee will review all applications and select the recipient. The Committee will take into account both past and current activities. The award will be presented at the APHA Annual Meeting. The recipient of the student award will be invited to serve on the Awards Committee to help select the student for the following year.

- A current curriculum vitae or resume of the student nominee.
- A cover letter (one page maximum) for the state affiliate that includes the name of the student and a brief statement describing the role of the nominee in student development in their association, the region, or at the national level. Additional letters of support are welcome but not required.
- A descriptive list from the student (two pages maximum/double spaced) of his/her recent and /or ongoing contributions to the public health association(s) at the state, regional, or national level. Examples include but are not limited to: advocacy efforts, membership drives, mentoring opportunities, governance roles, and training/educational programs.

Supporting materials as appropriate.

Adopted May 2009 \\lsa