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## Overview

### Goals

The goals of the Washington State Exemplary Substance Abuse Prevention Awards are to:

- **Recognize outstanding community partners including youth** engaged in substance abuse prevention efforts.
- **Focus statewide attention** on exceptional substance abuse prevention work.
- **Identify exemplary substance abuse prevention programs with exceptional outcomes** that can be adopted or adapted by others.

### 2016 Timeline

May 25, 2016	Announcement and nomination packet distributed
<b>September 16 by 5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Deadline for nomination submission</b>
October 3, 2016	Notify awardees
November 7, 2016	Awards Ceremony - Yakima Convention Center, Yakima, Washington

### Application Procedures

Nominations may be submitted via email, or fax. The Nomination Application begins on page 5 of this packet.

**Keep in mind that the review committee will have only the information that you provide to assess the nominee's suitability for an award. Please be thorough yet succinct.** Nominations with missing or otherwise incomplete information will not be successful. Only required application materials will be reviewed. Attachments with supporting information will not be reviewed.

### Categories

- 2016 Lt. Governor Brad Owen Award Youth Leadership – group or individual
- Exemplary Prevention Professional and/or Exemplary Community Prevention Leader
- Exemplary Tribal Prevention Leader Representative and/or Tribal Community Prevention Leader
- Exemplary Community Coalition – with emphasis on substance abuse prevention
- Exemplary Substance Abuse Prevention Program – demonstrating exemplary outcomes

## Criteria for Awards

- **2016 Lt. Governor Brad Owen Youth Leadership:** (up to two nominations will be selected from this category)  
*The title of the 2016 exemplary youth award recognizes Lt. Governor Owen's support for youth substance abuse prevention initiatives and for his many years officiating the Washington State Exemplary Prevention Awards .*  
To be considered for the award, nominees must be strong prevention advocates who demonstrate good peer leadership, teamwork, and volunteerism. Nominees must have regularly participated in community and/or school prevention activities for a minimum of one year.
- **Exemplary Substance Abuse Prevention Professional or Exemplary Community Prevention Leader (sector representative):** (up to two nominations will be selected from this category)  
To be considered for one of these awards **nominated individuals** must be strong prevention advocates. Nominators should demonstrate the nominee's leadership best practice service delivery, community involvement in relation to the community coalition's strategic plan, and their commitment to substance abuse prevention.
- **Exemplary Tribal Substance Abuse Prevention Professional and/or Exemplary Tribal Community Prevention Leader:** (up to two nominations will be selected from this category)  
To be considered for this award, nominated individuals must be strong prevention leaders in their Tribal community. Nominators should demonstrate the nominee's leadership in best practice service delivery, community involvement in prevention efforts, and their commitment to substance abuse prevention.
- **Exemplary Community Coalition:** (up to one nomination will be selected from this category)  
To be considered for one of these awards, nominated coalitions or organizations must be strong prevention advocates. Nominators should demonstrate the nominee's leadership and community partnerships for best practice prevention service delivery, community involvement in relation to the community coalition's strategic plan, and their commitment to substance abuse prevention.
- **Exemplary Substance Abuse Prevention Program:** (up to one nomination will be selected from this category)  
To be considered for the award, program nominations must address all elements in question two (2), page five (5) to substantiate the following:
  - Be in operation for a minimum of one year.
  - Be focused on evidence-based substance abuse prevention. Programs that include both prevention and treatment must clearly detail the prevention component. Expected outcomes or areas of focus should include, but are not limited to, decreasing high-risk use of alcohol and drugs by adults; eliminating use of illicit drugs; preventing alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use; and reducing experimentation by young people. Program does not have to be listed as a nationally recognized Evidence-Based Practice; however it must have evidence-based research to support its goals and outcomes.
  - Describe the evaluation plan and how outcome data is applied to improve program design and implementation.
  - Document and demonstrate success in the form of outcome data obtained through verifiable processes.
  - Describe how the program design has considered each of the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention's (CSAP) Principles of Substance Abuse Prevention in the appropriate domain. A list of the CSAP Principles is available on The Athena Forum website at:  
[http://theathenaforum.org/sites/default/files/CSAP\\_Principles\\_of\\_SA\\_Prevention.pdf](http://theathenaforum.org/sites/default/files/CSAP_Principles_of_SA_Prevention.pdf).

## Selection Process

A review committee with representatives from DSHS/DBHR, Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, Washington State Department of Health, Washington Traffic Safety Commission, Washington State Liquor Control Board, Washington Association for Substance Abuse & Violence Prevention, and the Prevention Specialist Certification Board of Washington will conduct a review process. Reviewers will evaluate and select nominations

based on the stated criteria and information provided. Every attempt will be made to ensure that awardees represent a range of demographic, ethnic, cultural, and geographic areas.

### **Benefits of the Substance Abuse Prevention Exemplary Awards**

Awardees will be honored on November 7<sup>th</sup> at the 2016 Washington State Prevention Summit in Yakima, Washington. The awards will recognize the efforts of dedicated individuals, successful programs, and supportive organizations; celebrate their successes; and share their strategies with others in the field. Additional benefits may include local recognition and a greater ability to market programs, recruit volunteers, and leverage other resources to support their work. Programs that seem suited to the rigorous national standards will be encouraged to apply for the national awards.

### **Past Exemplary Awardees 2012-2015**

**Note:** *Previous Exemplary Award winners may be nominated again after four (4) years if they are able to demonstrate new efforts in prevention, or a significant program expansion, enhancement, or improvement. A list of past awardees is included below.*

#### **Community Prevention Leader (sector representative):**

- **Health Care Sector:** Gary Schillhammer, MD., Darrington (2012).
- **Law Enforcement Sector:** Sheriff Frank Rogers, Omak (2012); Officer Tim Bennett (2014).
- **Religious or Fraternal Organization Sector:** Pastor David Curtis, Wellspring (2012).
- **School-based Sector:** Gerald Apple, Shelton (2012); Superintendent Dawn Tarzian (2014); and Barbara Hawkings, Concrete (2015).
- **Parent Sector:** Cathy Schindler (2013).
- **Business Sector:** Dwight & Janie Ballestrasse, Othello (2013).
- **Local or Tribal Government Sector:** King County Board of Health Subcommittee on Secure Medicine Return (2013).
- **Exemplary Tribal Prevention Professional:** Ann Penn Charles, La Push (2015).

**Youth Leadership Award:** Breanna Atwell, Shelton (2012); Quincy Youth Action, Quincy (2012); Wenatchee Youth Coalition, Wenatchee (2012); Katie Albaugh, Shelton (2013); SHEO, Dayton High School (2013); Vicky Marques (2013); Danielle Salinas (2014); Zebbie Castilleja (2014); Students Taking Action and Responsibility Coalition, Republic (2015); and Grace Brunke, Ilwaco (2015).

**Collaborative Award:** Committee of Okanogan County Community Coalition, Omak (2014).

**Program/ Strategy:** Mercer Island Social Host Ordinance, Mercer Island (2012).

**Community Coalition Coordinator:** Anna Marie Dufault, Yakima (2012); Joe Fuller, Whatcom County (2014); and Peggy Needham, Walla Walla (2015).

**Substance Abuse Prevention Community Coalition:** Okanogan County Community Coalition, Omak (2012); Reardan-Edwall Communities Alliance for Prevention (RECAP) (2013); and WellSpring Community Network-Long Beach (2014).

**Outstanding Contribution to Substance Abuse Prevention:** Paul Davis (2015); and Robert "Rusty" Fallis (2015).

**Lifetime Achievement:** Col. Jerry Kosierowski, Washington National Guard (2012); Mary Ellen de la Peña, Kitsap County (2012); Ramona Leber (2013); Carol Owens (2013); Alan Zeuge (2014), In memory of Carla Huyck (2014); and Julie Bartlett (2015).

## Nomination Submission

**Nominations must be received by 5:00 p.m. Friday, September 16, 2016.**

**To Submit Your Application** and for any questions, contact Danny Highley, Prevention System Manager:

- Email: [highld@dshs.wa.gov](mailto:highld@dshs.wa.gov) (preferred method)
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## AWARD NOMINATION APPLICATION

***Nominations must be received by 5:00 p.m. Friday, September 16, 2016.***

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Program Name: *(if applicable)* \_\_\_\_\_

Agency or Organization: *(if applicable)* \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_, WA Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Person submitting this nomination:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Agency: \_\_\_\_\_ How do you know the Nominee? \_\_\_\_\_

Office Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_, WA Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you want the Award Committee to contact the nominee regarding the results of the nomination?**

Yes, please contact them.  No, I will contact them myself.

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**List two references that can substantiate the information you have provided: (Required)**

1) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

2) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

## Award Categories

Select **ONE** category that best describes the nominee.

**\*\* Please review the selection criteria described on page 2 of this packet \*\***

- Exemplarily Youth Leadership – individual or group**
- Exemplary Prevention Professional** *(For example: substance abuse prevention coalition coordinator, county prevention staff, Tribal prevention staff, school-based prevention/intervention specialist, ESD prevention manager, prevention program/project coordinator, or state agency partner.)*
- Exemplary Community Prevention Leader Representative – Indicate one community sector the nominee represents:**
  - Business
  - Civic/Volunteer group
  - Healthcare professional
  - Law enforcement
  - Media
  - Parent
  - Chemical dependency treatment
  - Religious or Fraternal organization
  - School
  - State/Local/Tribal Government
  - Youth-serving organization
  - Youth
  - Other substance abuse prevention organization
  - Mental health services representative
- Exemplary Tribal Prevention Professional or Tribal Community Leader Representative** *(For example: substance abuse prevention coalition coordinator, county prevention staff, Tribal prevention staff, school-based prevention/intervention specialist, ESD prevention manager, prevention program/project coordinator, or state agency partner.)*
- Exemplary Community Coalition (with emphasis on substance abuse prevention)**
- Exemplary Substance Abuse Prevention Program (Demonstrating Exemplary Outcomes)**

## Award Nomination Narrative

Answers are rated on a scale of 0-4 points; scores are competitive within respective categories.

0 points = No information provided.

1 point = Answer lacks clear evidence of substance abuse prevention efforts.

2 points = Answer shows some steps in the right direction by nominee.

3 points = Answer shows good substance abuse prevention effort from the nominee.

**4 points** = Answer clearly demonstrated that the nominee is exemplary, going above and beyond or exceeding expectations in the substance abuse prevention field.

The best nominations will completely answer each question, **provide specific examples**, and include information in each answer that shows **how the nominee's work is exemplary among their peers**. Keep in mind that the review committee will have **only the information that you provide to assess the nominee's suitability for an award**. Nominations with missing or otherwise incomplete information will not be successful. Attachments with supporting information will not be reviewed.

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**1). Explain why or how the NOMINEE (individual, group, organization, or agency) is exemplary in each of the following questions. NOTE: If the nominee is a program skip to question 2.**

- A. How long the nominee has been contributing to prevention? \_\_\_\_\_
- B. Describe their substance abuse prevention activities: \_\_\_\_\_
- C. How does their substance abuse prevention work set them apart from their peers working in prevention? \_\_\_\_\_
- D. How does the nominee make efforts to better serve under-served populations? \_\_\_\_\_
- E. How does the nominee demonstrate cultural competency? \_\_\_\_\_
- F. Explain how the nominee is involved with the community or school in substance abuse prevention efforts? (Provide examples of outstanding contribution or commitment.) \_\_\_\_\_
- G. How has the nominee faced or overcome special challenges to achieve their goals? \_\_\_\_\_
- H. What has the nominee done to show that they are a leader in substance abuse prevention? \_\_\_\_\_
- I. Provide examples of strong partnerships that have been developed and how that has enhanced the substance abuse prevention efforts. \_\_\_\_\_
- J. Any additional information: \_\_\_\_\_ (optional).

**2). If nominating a PROGRAM, answer the following (please review evaluation criteria for Programs on page 2):**

- A. How long has the program been in existence? \_\_\_\_\_
- B. What are the program's goal(s), objective(s), and target audience? \_\_\_\_\_
- C. What are the findings of substance abuse prevention program's outcome-based evaluations? \_\_\_\_\_
- D. How the program has incorporated science-based prevention theory, such as the Risk and Protective Factor Model and Principles of Substance Abuse Prevention, into activities? \_\_\_\_\_
- E. What success has the program had with volunteers or in-kind contributions? \_\_\_\_\_
- F. Outline the program's evaluation plan (i.e., outcomes expected, tools, and timelines to measure success, process for improvement based on outcomes, etc.). \_\_\_\_\_
- G. How is collaboration and community involvement incorporated into the program's work? \_\_\_\_\_
- H. How has the program involved multiple local community sectors and the target audience in assessment, planning, implementation, and evaluation? \_\_\_\_\_
- I. Any additional information: \_\_\_\_\_ (optional).

**Thank you for submitting the nomination!**