Nominations are now being accepted for the annual public health awards. These awards are an excellent opportunity to recognize and celebrate your colleagues and partner's amazing work. The awards are presented by the Colorado Public Health Association (CPHA), the Colorado Society for Public Health Educators (COSOPHE), the Public Health Nurses Association of Colorado (PHNAC), the Wyoming Public Health Association (WPHA) and the Colorado School of Public Health at the 2017 Public Health in the Rockies conference in Keystone, Colorado. The Ignite and Awards social will be a fun evening of celebrating colleagues and shared-learning through Ignite presentations on the evening of Thursday, October 5th.

**All award nominations are DUE BY AUGUST 31st at 10pm MST**

Nominate your colleagues [HERE](#)
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**Sabin Award:** The Florence Sabin Award was established in 1947 by CPHA. The award is made for achievement in the public health field, in recognition of the outstanding leadership of Dr. Florence Sabin in the promotion of better public health in Colorado. This award is made to a person whose primary career is not in the public health field.

**Award for Technical Innovation in Public Health:** This award was established in 1972 in recognition of P.W. Jacoe, a Colorado Board of Health member in the 1950s, for his devotion to duty, his excellence of work and accomplishments, his interest, his leadership and contributions to the physical science field of public health. The award is to be given to a person who has made an outstanding technical innovation in public health.

**Roy Cleere Distinguished Service Award:** The Colorado Public Health Association’s Distinguished Service Award was renamed in 1974 in honor of Dr. Cleere who was the director of the Colorado Department of Health for 38 years. The award goes to someone who is a member of CPHA and has made an exceptional contribution to the field of public health in Colorado.

**Public Health Champ Award:** The Public Health Champ Award was created in 1982 and goes to a full-time public health employee who is not in a high-level management position. The recipient must be a member of CPHA and have made an outstanding contribution to public health.

**Award for Excellence in Policy:** Established in 1988 by CPHA, this award is presented annually to a person or organization for highly visible past or present efforts within local, state or national efforts in support of public health issues.
Emerging Leader in Public Health: This award is given to an individual early in their career serving in a public health capacity who has demonstrated outstanding initiative on behalf of the Colorado public health community.

Lifetime Achievement Award: This award honors an individual who has retired from fulltime employment in public health, in recognition of their significant contributions and leadership in the field of public health.

John Muth Award: Named in honor of Dr. John Muth, who served as CPHA President 1983-1984 and El Paso County Department of Health Director, and is still practicing internal medicine and obstetrics & gynecology in Colorado. This award is given to a member of CPHA who has made an outstanding contribution to the Association.

Special Recognition: Do you know someone who is deserving of recognition for contributions and accomplishments in public health, but the above awards categories do not quite fit? Tell us more!
Exemplary Frontier Public Health Nurse: This award recognizes a Public Health Nurse who has demonstrated exemplary service in a local public health agency located in a Colorado rural/frontier community.

General Recognition: Do you know someone who is deserving of recognition for contributions and accomplishments in public health, but the above awards categories do not quite fit? Tell us more!

Lillian Wald Award: This Award is given to a public health nurse who demonstrates leadership skills among peers and community; has practiced a minimum of 5 years; and is creative, resourceful and innovative in addressing public health concerns in the community. This person is caring in relationships with colleagues and clients, and initiates, implements and evaluates public health interventions that focus on health promotion and disease prevention, and shares public health knowledge with colleagues and the community.

New Public Health Nurse of the Year Award: This award is given to a public health nurse with less than 5 years of practice in a public health capacity who demonstrates the ability to establish community partnerships that result in improved utilization of public health programs and/or services.

PHNAC Award for Excellence: This award is presented to a public health nurse who has made outstanding contributions in the field of public health and public health nursing over a period of several years and has demonstrated exemplary leadership and service to take public health nursing into the future. The nominee must be a leader, a member of PHNAC, and may hold a leadership role in his/her agency.
The Most Innovative Project Award: This award is given in recognition of an innovative, outstanding and adaptable project developed or implemented by a local health agency in addressing a public health issue in the community.

2017 Colorado Society of Public Health Educators Award

The Excellence in Public Health Award: is presented to a practicing health educator who has portrayed outstanding leadership in the profession and field of public health.

2017 Wyoming Public Health Association Awards

The Dr. Carl Blank Award honors those members who have distinguished themselves in the field of public health, and who have, through their membership, made a significant contribution to the Wyoming Public Health Association.

The Outstanding Public Health Advocate Award honors an individual who has made significant contributions to public health in the State of Wyoming. Nominees can include ANY person who has made significant and lasting contributions to public health in Wyoming, whether or not the individual is a resident of Wyoming.

The WPHA Memorial Student Scholarship for Outstanding Student in Public Health honors those individuals who are pursuing higher education and who have distinguished themselves through their leadership, commitment, and contributions to the field of public health.
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Health Equity Award

Award for Excellence in the Promotion of Health Equity: Presented by the Colorado Public Health Association, the Colorado Society of Public Health Education and the Public Health Nurses Association of Colorado, this award acknowledges and celebrates individuals, organizations and/or teams engaged in efforts to advance the understanding of health equity, health disparities, social determinants of health and greater access and opportunities for communities throughout Colorado.

2017 The Colorado School of Public Health Awards

Community Preceptor Award for Excellence in Public Health Practice
This award recognizes a current or former community preceptor in the Rocky Mountain region who mentored a student(s) from the Colorado School of Public Health.

Excellence in Public Health Practice by an Individual
This award recognizes an individual outside of the Colorado School of Public Health who has significantly promoted and supported the efforts of the ColoradoSPH in meeting our mission, goals and objectives.

Excellence in Public Health Practice by an Organization
This award recognizes a public or private organization that has significantly promoted and supported the efforts of the Colorado School of Public Health in meeting our mission, goals and objectives.