

2010 HMPRG AWARDS CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Back in 2006, **Health & Medicine Policy Research Group (HMPRG)** inaugurated the **HMPRG Awards** to ensure that visionary public health and health justice leaders receive the recognition they deserve.

Since then, the awards have been presented twice. The winners become members of our Advisory Council, where they have had an opportunity to guide and enrich our work and, most recently, were asked to provide input to help Quentin Young shape the role of the Illinois Public Health Advocate.

We invite your nominations for the 2010 HMPRG Awards; which will be presented at a cocktail party and celebration on October 7, 2010. (Save the date!)

Awards are given in 5 categories; representing individual achievements in Health, Medicine, Policy, and Research, and a Group award. Current and past Schweitzer Fellows are also invited to nominate an Emerging Health Leader from agencies where they have done their placements. And we will honor a Young Health Activist (aged 16-20) who has shown a commitment to social justice and activism.

HMPRG Awards Categories/Criteria

- **HEALTH** - Individual Award using the broadest definition of health, with an emphasis on public health and improvements in the health of populations.
- **MEDICINE** - Individual Award for any aspect of health care delivery (e.g. medicine, dentistry, mental health, nutrition, home care, pharmacy, insurance, medical groups) to directly improve the health of individuals or groups of individuals in our community.
- **POLICY** - Individual Award encompassing the many facets of policy analysis, development, planning, and implementation, and includes individuals in roles pertaining to advocacy, government, media, or philanthropy.
- **RESEARCH** - Individual Award for any aspect of quantitative or qualitative research, community-based research, or evaluative research that serves to promote improvements in the quality of life (recognizing the multiple determinants of health).
- **GROUP** - Organization Award for a group, organization, or coalition that supports or enhances community self-determination and independence, focuses its work on the determinants of health, and has had an impact beyond the scope of its programs.
- **EMERGING HEALTH LEADER** - Current and past Schweitzer Fellows (Fellows for Life) are invited to nominate an "Emerging Health Leader" who is currently employed in an organization/agency where the nominating Fellow has done their community-based placement.
- **YOUNG HEALTH ACTIVIST** – A young person (16-20) who has shown an interest in, and commitment to health and social justice activism.

Nominee General Eligibility Criteria:

- Current members of HMPRG Board, Committees, or staff ineligible
 - Posthumous awards not considered
- Must live or work in Illinois or Northeast Indiana (Metro Chicago area)
 - Self nominations accepted

**Nomination forms (and list of past winners)
can be downloaded from the HMPRG website
(www.hmprg.org)**

Nominations must be received by August 6, 2010.

(Forms can be returned by mail, fax or email. Full instructions on the form.)

Share your inspired – and interesting – choices for people or organizations that deserve recognition!