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NEW ENGLAND AWARD FOR PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE 2011 NEAPE Award

Purpose: To recognize members who have demonstrated extraordinary service and contributions to the advancement of the healthcare volunteer management profession, the Association, and their local healthcare facility and community.

Eligibility: The applicant must be a NEADHVS member in good standing with a minimum of two years membership in the Association. Presiding state presidents and professional development chair are ineligible. Other NEADHVS board members, committee and subcommittee chairpersons may be nominated for this award.

Criteria:

The following 5 categories will be used to judge the applicants. Each category is judged on a 1-5 scale. Nominators should provide as much detail as possible regarding each criterion. Nominators may contact the person being nominated for information. The nomination process is not required to be confidential.

- Demonstrated leadership role in advancing the practice of healthcare volunteer management such as level of education, years of experience, years of membership in NEADHVS, attainment of Program for Professional Achievement (PPA) status and/or Certified Administrator of Volunteer Services (CAVS) certification.
- Responsible for significant contributions to the advancement of the profession of volunteer management through creation and implementation of innovative programs, management, initiatives, teaching, continued education, collaborative projects. This includes presenting education sessions at local, state, regional or national training conferences.
- Active participation in NEADHVS, e.g. service on the Board of Directors, committees, subcommittees, and such focused activities as presenter, author, etc.
- Active participation in local, regional or state Affiliated Group and volunteer management organizations.
- Active volunteer participation in local community endeavors, e.g. service to schools, churches, and charitable organizations.

NOMINATION PROCESS:

Applications: NEADHVS member(s) may nominate an individual, but nominees may not nominate themselves. Multiple members may nominate one individual but each member may be allowed to make only one nomination. Using the application form, the nominator must provide comprehensive information based on the five criteria listed above to demonstrate the nominee's eligibility. **Additional documents and or resumes are not allowed.** Individuals may receive the award one time only, but may be nominated again if not selected.

Submission of Nominations: Nomination forms must be submitted **by email** to the NEADHVS Professional Development Committee Chairperson, Lyn Robinson, at lrobinson@hfsc.org. Questions can be directed to Lyn at 860 827-4774. The deadline for nominations: all forms must be submitted no later than **Wednesday, September 28, 2011.**

Selection Process: All submissions will be reviewed and evaluated by the State Presidents. Selection will be based on the information provided on the written nomination submissions only. The presiding NEADHVS President will have the determining vote in the event of a tie.

Notification: The presiding NEADHVS President will present The New England Award for Professional Excellence at the annual fall NEADHVS meeting, Friday, October 21, 2011.