

Dear UNCG colleagues,

Public Health Champions awards, instituted the WHO Country Office for India, are in the third year now.

The objective for recognizing public health champions is to honour and recognize efforts of both, individuals and institutions who have made an outstanding contribution to public health through advocacy for and involvement in impactful health policies, strategies and programmes with proven public health achievements and substantial improvement in health outcomes with equity in the country.

This year, a special award will be given for outstanding work in the field of mental health.

The categories and the nomination process is available at: <http://www.searo.who.int/india/mediacentre/events/2017/PHC/en/>; <http://ngobox.org/who/>

Briefly, the scope of the awards will cover both, individuals and institutions who/which have contributed to greatly advancing population and personal services and inter-sectoral actions. In addition, contributions that have been in line with any of WHO's six core functions are also covered within the scope of these awards:

- Providing leadership on matters critical to health and engaging in partnerships where joint action is needed;
- Shaping the research agenda and stimulating the generation, translation and dissemination of valuable knowledge;
- Setting norms and standards and promoting and monitoring their implementation;
- Articulating ethical and evidence-based policy options;
- Providing technical support, catalysing change, and building sustainable institutional capacity; and
- Monitoring the health situation and assessing health trends

Nomination process

Please visit <http://ngobox.org/who/> and submit your nominations, latest by **3 March 2017, 10:00 PM IST**

Request please share the details with your colleagues and help spread the word.

Thanks and regards,

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