



# United States Public Health Service Excellence in Public Health Pharmacy Award 2023

## Award Process Information Sheet

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Any pharmacy student currently enrolled in an accredited school of pharmacy through the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) is eligible.

### WHO CAN NOMINATE?

A Pharmacy School or College Dean, School Awards Committee, Faculty Member, or student pharmacy organization can nominate a student. The final award nomination must be made through the Pharmacy School Dean or Awards Committee.

### NOMINATION PACKAGE COMPONENTS

1. **Brief Citation** - A brief summary of the achievement(s) suitable for public display (25 words or less).
2. **Nomination Narrative** - The Nomination Narrative must include the following sections: Accomplishment, Background, Intervention, and Outcome. Please refer to the application for an explanation on the information necessary for each section and formatting requirements.

### AWARD CRITERIA GUIDELINES

The Dean or School Awards Committee must competitively review the nominations and select one pharmacy student as their school's final award nomination. Only one pharmacy student from each school or college of pharmacy can be nominated, and nominations will not be accepted if the work is part of the student's required curriculum. Nominations should be evaluated to determine the extent to which the student demonstrated excellence and dedication to one or more of the following achievements while enrolled in pharmacy school:

1. Developed, implemented, or modified a program that advances the overarching goals of *Healthy People 2030*.<sup>1</sup> The overarching goals of *Healthy People 2030* are:
  - Attain healthy, thriving lives and well-being, free of preventable disease, disability, injury, and premature death.
  - Eliminate health disparities, achieve health equity, and attain health literacy to improve the health and well-being of all.
  - Create social, physical, and economic environments that promote attaining full potential for health and well-being for all.
  - Promote healthy development, healthy behaviors and well-being across all life stages.

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<sup>1</sup> More information on "Healthy People 2030" can be accessed at:  
<https://health.gov/healthypeople/about/healthy-people-2030-framework>



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- Engage leadership, key constituents, and the public across multiple sectors to take action and design policies that improve the health and well-being of all.

Examples include programs that educate patients about a specific disease or promote healthy lifestyle choices for patients such as providing clinical preventative services (e.g., access to healthcare, screening for chronic diseases); immunization delivery; infectious disease prevention; sexually transmitted disease education; human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) education, treatment, and prevention; and oral health prevention (e.g., fluoride treatment).

2. Developed, implemented, or modified a program that addresses the priorities of the [Surgeon General](#)<sup>2</sup>:
  - COVID-19
  - Health Misinformation
  - Health Worker Burnout
  - Youth Mental Health
3. Contributions of time, talents, or energy towards emerging or current public health issues (e.g., monkeypox, COVID-19).
4. Contributions of time, talents, or energy in voluntary health related service by directly or indirectly helping individuals in need through work in civic, community, or humanitarian activities. Examples include serving in an inner-city health clinic or renovation of a health clinic in a medically underserved area.

### STUDENT SELECTION

The Dean or School Awards Committee of each school or college of pharmacy will select **one nominee** to forward to the United States Public Health Service (USPHS) Pharmacy Professional Advisory Committee (PharmPAC) for evaluation. The USPHS PharmPAC Student Awards Team will review all nominees and select award recipients and top award recipients. When invited and feasible, PharmPAC strives to have a USPHS Commissioned Corps officer present the award to selected recipients.

Top award recipients are selected based on their achievements and impacts on public health. Typically, top award recipients are those that create or develop a local clinic, program, or initiative with demonstrated impacts on domestic and/or global public health. Top award recipients will be published on the PharmPAC website and other online publications when possible.

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<sup>2</sup> More information on the Surgeon General's priorities can be accessed at:  
<https://www.hhs.gov/surgeongeneral/priorities/index.html>



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### **NOMINATION REVIEW PROCESS**

Once the nomination is submitted, a confirmation email will be sent within 5 business days after receipt of the nomination. The USPHS PharmPAC Student Awards Team reviews all nominations and selects the award recipients. The nominator and contact person from the award application will be notified of the nominee's award status by email no later than Friday, March 31, 2023. For award recipients, the award certificate will be emailed or mailed to the contact person listed on the nomination package form.

If a confirmation email is not received, please contact [USPHSPharmacyAward@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:USPHSPharmacyAward@fda.hhs.gov).

**Deadline:** Monday, January 9, 2023. Submit nomination package to [USPHSPharmacyAward@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:USPHSPharmacyAward@fda.hhs.gov). *LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.*

**Questions/Comments/Concerns:** Explore the [Student Awards PharmPAC webpage](#) for up-to-date information concerning the United States Public Health Service Excellence in Public Health Pharmacy Award. If you have additional questions, please contact [USPHSPharmacyAward@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:USPHSPharmacyAward@fda.hhs.gov).