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2025 Champion(s) of Infection Prevention and Control

Award Information and Criteria for Selection

About the Champion(s) of Infection Prevention and Control Award

The Award recognizes IPAC Canada members or others who have demonstrated innovative initiatives to prevent infection, raise awareness, and improve the health of Canadians. The candidate may also be nominated for lifetime achievement. The nomination may be made by a member of IPAC Canada, an IPAC Canada chapter, or the Board of Directors of IPAC Canada. Formal presentation of the Award will be made at the 2025 National Education Conference (Winnipeg, MB).

Candidate Requirements

All candidates must meet the following requirements in order to be considered for this award.

* IPAC Canada member in good standing the year of the nomination and the award
* IPAC Canada Chapter member in good standing the year of the nomination and the award
* Current Certification in Infection Control (CIC® or LTC-CIP®) is preferred but not mandatory.
* Must not be a current member of the IPAC Canada Board of Directors or a representative of Industry.
* Has not received the Champions award within the past five years.
* A non-member as approved by the Board of Directors of IPAC Canada

*Candidate(s) agree(s) that, if chosen for this award, they will present a 5-minute Oral Presentation on the project/initiative that resulted in their award. Date and location of presentation to be announced.*

Criteria for Selection

The IPAC Canada Board of Directors will select the award winner(s) based on the following set of criteria. A grading system has been assigned to each criterion.

* A completed nomination form containing mandatory and qualifying information has been submitted. (8 points)
* The nomination essay provides adequately detailed information and completeness of content on which to base judgement. (10 points)
* The essay must explain the candidate’s role in the project/initiative and a description of the project/initiative with specifics as to:

●Objectives ●Evaluation

●Methodology ●Sustainability

(10 points)

* The essay must show that the candidate has demonstrated meaningful evidence of a significant impact in one or more of the relevant areas ( possible 12 points):
  + Process and Systems Improvement ◦ Education
  + Program Development ◦ Patient Safety
  + Advocacy, Influence and Leadership ◦ Cost Effectiveness
* The essay must show that the candidate has demonstrated sustainability of the project/initiative or a plan to implement sustainability.(5 points)
* The judging panel may identify other areas in the essay for Additional Consideration (5 points)
* Program reach may include both setting-wide or targeted, and facility-based or community-wide impact.
* A maximum of 2 award winners may be chosen in any one year.
* Candidates may also be nominated for lifetime achievement, noting that nominations must include evidence of significant impact on one or more of the relevant areas, activities in relevant infection prevention and control communities (regional, national and/or international), dedication and selfless service.
* The IPAC Canada Board of Directors (the Board) also has discretion to forego the naming of an award winner in the event nominations do not result in a winner of the award.
* IPAC Canada reserves the right to decline to present the award in any year.
* Nominations not chosen for an award may be resubmitted the following year.

NOTE: The template for submission of the nomination essay must be used and is available at [www.ipac-canada.org](http://www.ipac-canada.org) (Membership, Opportunities).

The Award Consists of:

* Travel to and from the 2025 National Education Conference (Economy Air Travel or ground travel to maximum of equivalent of air travel)
* 2 nights’ accommodation at the official conference hotel (room and tax only)
* Waived registration for the 2025 National Education Conference (Sunday-Wednesday), not including special events.

Award winner(s) must book their travel and accommodation and request reimbursement through submission of Form 7 along with detailed receipts. GST or HST paid must be clearly identified on the receipt/invoice. Registration for Sunday-Wednesday will be waived by IPAC Canada. If the applicable registration has already been paid, reimbursement may be requested by the award winner(s).

Materials to be Included with the Nomination

* Nomination Form (Interactive pdf; save to file; email file)
* Nomination Essay on Template (Interactive pdf; save to file; email file)
* Chapter Participation Confirmation (Interactive pdf; save to file; email file)
* Candidate Acceptance Confirmation (Interactive pdf; save to file; email file)

Deadline Date for Nomination

The deadline date for submission is March 1, 2025.

Nomination to be emailed to [info@ipac-canada.org](mailto:executivedirector@ipac-canada.org)

Subject: 2025 Champion(s) of Infection Prevention and Control Nomination

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