

# 2023 ThinkFirst AWARDS

## OFFICIAL NOMINATION FORM

The ThinkFirst National Injury Prevention Foundation Awards Program honors exceptional individuals and chapters demonstrating ThinkFirst excellence. Use this official form to nominate those who have conducted outstanding prevention initiatives, provided innovative services beyond local program delivery, and actively support the mission and programs of ThinkFirst. Recipients will be honored at the Awards Luncheon, Wednesday March 8, 2023.

### Award Categories (check one):

- Chapter of the Year (US)
- International Chapter of the Year
- Medical Director of the Year
- VIP of the Year
- Outstanding Community Involvement Award
- Outstanding Research Award
- Dr. David and Donna Cavanaugh Distinguished Service Award

Name or Chapter Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_

City and State: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person Submitting Nomination: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMISSION

1. Complete *Official Nomination Form* (one for each nominee).
2. Compose a 1-page (double-spaced) summary describing the characteristics, activities & achievements of your nominee.
3. E-mail *Official Nomination Form* and 1-page summary to Barbara DiGirolamo at [greeneg@vailhealth.org](mailto:greeneg@vailhealth.org) by **Tuesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>**

### GUIDELINES

- ~Please review *Award Category Descriptions and Requirements* (see page 2) prior to preparing submission.
- ~Nominees must be a current chapter, chapter member or a Board member.
- ~Please refrain from nominating previous award winners for the same award category. However, when there are special circumstances supporting the nomination of a previous award recipient for the same award category, please wait at least three award cycles before nominating the candidate. To be eligible for a second award in the same category in 2023, the previous award should have been received on or before 2020.
- ~Winners will be notified by March 1st and are encouraged to attend the Awards Luncheon Wednesday, March 8th.
- ~Self-nominations welcomed!

***Official Nomination Form & 1-page summary must be received by  
Tuesday, February 15, 2023!***

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## AWARD CATEGORY DESCRIPTIONS & REQUIREMENTS

### 1. Chapter of the Year, United States

This award recognizes a high-performance chapter demonstrating exemplary service and productivity. Preference will be given to chapters conducting activities supporting each of the core components of the ThinkFirst mission—education, research and advocacy. Local and/or state chapters are eligible.

### 2. International Chapter of the Year

This award pays tribute to the chapter outside of the USA demonstrating excellent service and productivity. Preference will be given to international chapters supporting each of the core components of the ThinkFirst mission (education, research and advocacy) and demonstrating affiliation with the ThinkFirst International Injury Prevention Foundation. Nomination materials must include copy of chapter logo and any additional items featuring a statement of affiliation with Foundation.

### 3. Medical Director of the Year

This award honors a sponsoring physician who has advanced the mission and programs of ThinkFirst in a significant way. The recipient of this award will be exhibiting a high level of involvement and leadership on the local, state and/or national level and be active beyond the standard requirements of a sponsoring physician. Preference will be given to the nominee working to expand the capacity of ThinkFirst on a national level (e.g., program development, research, advocacy, fundraising, etc.).

### 4. VIP of the Year

This award pays honor to an exceptional VIP speaker actively working to promote the mission and programs of ThinkFirst. This person will be making significant contributions at the local level as well as reaching beyond the classroom to assume additional roles of leadership. Preference will be given to nominees who have applied their talents to projects supporting ThinkFirst on the national level.

### 5. Outstanding Community Involvement Award

This award recognizes a chapter for conducting an especially creative ThinkFirst initiative at the community level within the past five years (2017-2022). Applicants should define the unique needs of the community served, describe the innovative initiative, and report any available outcome measures on the 1-page summary accompanying the nomination form.

### 6. Outstanding Research Award

This award recognizes a person, group, chapter or organization for conducting evaluation on the efficacy of injury prevention interventions. The research activity must have been conducted within the past five (2017-2022) years. Preference will be given to studies that have been, or will soon be, published or presented at a conference, as well as studies conducted on ThinkFirst-related interventions. Attach a research abstract or executive summary to the nomination form in lieu of the 1-page summary required for all other award categories.

### 7. Dr. David and Donna Cavanaugh Distinguished Service Award

This honor will be bestowed upon those who exemplify the Cavanaugh spirit and commitment to the ThinkFirst Foundation, as well as demonstrate significant accomplishment and length of service. A perpetual plaque displays awardees for years to come.