

2015 The Bonnie Strickland *Champion for Children's Vision Award* Nomination Form

Description

The ***Bonnie Strickland Champion for Children's Vision Award*** recognizes significant efforts by an individual or group of individuals to improve public health approaches for children's vision and eye health at the state or national level. The award was established in 2014 by the Advisory Committee of the National Center for Children's Vision and Eye Health at Prevent Blindness to commemorate Bonnie Strickland and her groundbreaking work to establish a comprehensive system for children's vision in the US. She served as Director of the Division of Services for Children with Special Health Needs, Maternal and Child Health Bureau before her retirement in 2014. Bonnie continues to be a powerful force, driving improved vision for children through strong national partnerships, innovative program approaches, and improved national surveillance.

Criteria

Nominees for the ***Bonnie Strickland Champion for Children's Vision Award*** may include individuals or a group comprised of diverse stakeholders, including family and community leaders, who are implementing changes to improve children's vision in the United States. We are seeking nominations of individuals or groups who seek out new and innovative solutions to common barriers to healthy vision in children. Nominees should be able to demonstrate an impact in one or more areas of a public health system supporting children's vision:

- Key Stakeholder Engagement or Collaboration, including representation from families and diverse racial/ethnic/geographic and socio-economic levels target populations
- Training and Education
- Public Awareness
- Provision of Resources and/or Services
- Surveillance and Accountability
- Reduction of Health Disparities
- Infrastructure Development- Local, State, or National Level

Nature of the Award

The award will be presented to the recipient at the Annual Meeting of the National Center for Children's Vision and Eye Health (<http://nationalcenter.preventblindness.org>), August 7-8, 2015 in Alexandria, VA. The award consists of a commemorative plaque, recognition at the Annual Meeting, and roundtrip economy airfare for one to Alexandria, VA along with one night of lodging. The award recipient will be featured on the website for the National Center for Children's Vision and Eye Health with an overview of their innovative approaches to children's vision and eye health systems.

Nomination Process

The nominator is responsible for submitting a complete nomination packet by the designated deadline.

The nomination packet is to include the following items (*incomplete nominations will not be considered*):

- Completed nomination form.
- For individuals: A current CV or detailed resume and description of accomplishments specific to vision/eye health
- For groups: A listing of all members, title, and professional affiliation; description of group's mission, principles and accomplishments in vision/eye health.
- Letters of support are strongly recommended but not required. There is no limit on the number of letters. All letters must be received by the deadline of **June 19, 2015**.

Nomination packets can be sent electronically to kbaldonado@preventblindness.org and must be received by the deadline date of **June 19, 2015**.

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Selection Process

- The *Bonnie Strickland Champion for Children's Vision Award* Committee will review all nominations and select the award winner.
- The award winner will receive notification by letter and email. Additionally, a summary of their activities and picture will be published on the website for the National Center for Children's Vision and Eye Health after August 7, 2015.

Deadline – June 19, 2015

Send nominations to:
Bonnie Strickland Champion for Children's Vision Award Committee
kbaldonado@preventblindness.org

About Prevent Blindness and its National Center for Children's Vision and Eye Health



Founded in 1908, Prevent Blindness is the nation's leading volunteer eye health and safety organization dedicated to fighting blindness and saving sight. Focused on promoting a continuum of vision care, Prevent Blindness touches the lives of millions of people each year through public and professional education, advocacy, certified vision screening and training, community and patient service programs and research. In 2009, Prevent Blindness established the National Center for Children's Vision and Eye Health, with funding and leadership support from the HRSA- Maternal and Child Health Bureau. Serving as a major resource for the establishment of a public health infrastructure, the National Center advances and promotes children's vision and eye care, providing leadership and training to public entities throughout the United States. The National Center is advised by a committee of national experts and leaders from the fields of ophthalmology, optometry, pediatrics, nursing, family advocates and public health to guide the work and recommendations of the Center. For more information, or to make a contribution to the sight-saving fund, call 1-800-331-2020. Or, visit us on the Web at www.preventblindness.org or www.facebook.com/preventblindness.



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I am nominating an individual or a group. (Select one)

NOMINEE INFORMATION (Individual)

Full Name		
Degree(s)		
Title		
Organization		
Mailing Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Telephone Number	Fax Number	
Email		

NOMINEE INFORMATION (Group)

Group Name		
Group Contact		
Title		
Organization		
Mailing Address		
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NOMINATOR INFORMATION

Full Name		
Title		
Organization		
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Email		
Signature	Date	

NOMINATION BACKGROUND

Describe in detail the innovative approach for children's vision and eye health taken by this nominee that makes this individual or group of individuals worthy of the award. Include a measureable impact if available:

Describe any challenges that the nominee had to overcome to be successful in improving the system for children's vision:

List presentations, abstracts, or articles relevant to achievements on which nomination is based:

Describe how the actions of this nominee will impact children's vision into the future: