



CHIA RECOGNITION AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

Part 1 The Nominee

Use one form per nomination

Name of nominee, Credentials, E-mail Address, Title, Organization, Address, City, State, Zip, Home phone, Business phone, Fax

Part 2 The Nomination

Please indicate the ONE award for which the nomination is being submitted:

- Distinguished Member, Literary, Professional Achievement, Friendship, Educator, Rising Star Award

Has the nominee been notified of this nomination? Yes No

Nomination Submitted By

Address, City, State, Zip, Phone, E-mail address

Signature Date

Part 3 The Supporting Materials and DEADLINES

- 1. A narrative summary of 500 words or less that explains the nominee's qualifications for the award. Please refer to the CHIA Web site <http://www.californiahia.org/Content/CHIA_Awards_Program.cfm> for eligibility requirements.
2. The nominee's resume or curriculum vitae (required)
3. Two to four letters of support from others who are familiar with the nominee's accomplishments. The letters should address the nominee's specific accomplishment(s), the award guideline(s) met, how the nominee met these guidelines, and why the nominee is worthy of an award.
4. Other written materials such as articles, project descriptions, and the like, but only if they support the specific accomplishment.
5. DEADLINE for submitting nominations is February 28th.

Send completed nomination forms and supporting materials to: CHIA Recognition Awards, 1915 N. Fine Ave., Suite 104, Fresno, CA 93727-1565, or fax to (559) 251-5836; attn: LaVonne LaMoureaux or e-mail to LaVonne@CaliforniaHIA.org

CHIA Recognition Awards Program

Each year CHIA honors, through the CHIA Recognition Awards Program, the excellence, dedication, and service of health information management professionals whose steadfast efforts have improved the health information management (HIM) field. The CHIA Recognition Awards are California-based in scope, recognizing those who make a difference in the HIM profession. CHIA developed the Recognition Awards as part its commitment to encourage, nurture, and celebrate exceptional volunteer and professional leadership, the CHIA Recognition Awards honor exemplary service, reward contributions that build our knowledge base, recognize excellence in preparing future HIM professionals, and encourage new talent and leadership. Beginning this year, a new award category, the Rising Star Award, has been added to the program. The award categories are:

Distinguished Member Award

The Distinguished Member Award is CHIA's highest award. The purpose of this award is to honor an Active Member of CHIA who has shown exemplary leadership within our organization and has made outstanding contributions to the profession and the professional association.

Professional Achievement Award

To be eligible for nomination of the Professional Achievement Award, the candidate must be an Active member of CHIA and have made current outstanding contributions in demonstrated professional and technical expertise, achievement in an area of professional practice, and/or leadership in educational services.

Literary Award

The candidates must be active members of CHIA and the author, co-author, editor or co-editor of published material that meets the selection criteria.

Educator Award

The Educator Award is for excellence in training new HIM professionals. The Health Information Management field depends on a continual influx of well-trained new talent. The Educator Award honors those who demonstrate excellence in preparing the next generation of professionals for HIM careers.

Friendship Award

This award recognizes those individuals who have worked tirelessly to support the HIM profession by advancing CHIA's leadership position. Nominees need not be CHIA members; they may be individuals or organizations.

Rising Star Award

The Rising Star Award recognizes and encourages the best of the fresh new talent being trained in health information administration or health information technology degree granting-program. It honors a gifted student or promising new professional who embodies great hope as we look to the future of the HIM profession.

The complete descriptions and qualifications for each of the award categories and the nomination form are at http://www.CaliforniaHIA.org/content/CHIA_Awards_Program.cfm. Award recipients are selected by the CHIA Awards Committee and the awards are presented at the CHIA Convention and Exhibit in June 2009.

Submit the nominations to Awards@CaliforniaHIA.org or mail to the CHIA Executive Office, 1915 N. Fine Ave., Suite 104, Fresno, CA, 93727, or fax to (559) 251-5836. **Deadline is February 28, 2009.**