

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES HEALTH FOUNDATION PRIZE

GUIDELINES

(revised in January 1999)

1. The United Arab Emirates (UAE) Health Foundation Prize consisting of a certificate of award, a plaque and a sum of money not exceeding US\$ 40 000 will be awarded for outstanding contribution to health development.
2. The Prize will be given to a person or persons, an institution or institutions, or a nongovernmental organization or organizations having accomplished notable advances in the health field since the promotion of the global strategy for achieving health for all by the year 2000 elaborated following the International Conference on Primary Health Care, which was held in Alma-Ata in 1978.
3. The Prize aims at rewarding outstanding work in health development that has already been accomplished and that has extended far beyond the call of normal duties. It is not intended as a reward for excellent performance by a candidate of duties normally expected of an official occupying a government position or of a governmental or intergovernmental institution.
4. Recommendations for candidates to receive the Prize will be made on the basis of work accomplished, taking into consideration the following criteria:
 - (a) contribution to the successful formulation and implementation of the national policy and strategy for health for all;
 - (b) promotion of and substantial achievement in advancing given health programmes which have resulted in increasing primary health care coverage, and/or improving the quality of health care to the population, and a notable reduction of given health problems;
 - (c) contribution to increased efficiency and management of health systems; policy development, health legislation and ethics, within the framework of primary health care;
 - (d) innovative programmes to reach socially and geographically disadvantaged population groups;
 - (e) innovative efforts in training and education of health workers in primary health care;
 - (f) successful and effective efforts in involving communities in planning, management and evaluation of primary health care programmes;
 - (g) development and successful application of health systems research for the advancement of primary health care.
5. The candidate/candidates nominated for the Prize must be intimately and directly connected with the efforts and achievements in a given area.
6. To facilitate the assessment of the work done and the accomplishments, the most recent and pertinent publications and/or documentation directly related to the work should be submitted along with the nomination. Such materials should illustrate clearly the nature of the work carried out, the results achieved, the difficulties and obstacles encountered, and the solutions proposed and implemented; they need not necessarily have been published in a scientific or other journal. Inadequate or inappropriate documentary evidence of the work carried out will greatly handicap the Selection Panel in the assessment of the candidature.

7. To further support the documentary evidence, if necessary, the Administrator, on behalf of the Selection Panel, reserves the right to examine the work done by the candidate/candidates and to seek further information from independent sources.
8. Current and former staff members of the World Health Organization, and current members of the Executive Board, shall be ineligible to receive the Prize.
9. There should not be more than two recipients of the Prize per year. If two candidates are considered eligible by the Selection Panel and selected to receive the Prize, the sum will be equally divided between them.
10. These guidelines will be reviewed and updated periodically as considered appropriate.