Public Health Prizes and Awards

Focus on the 2025 process
About the Public Health Prizes and Awards: focus and statutes

- Sasakawa Health Prize
  - Statutes and Guidelines, including selection criteria and composition of the Selection Panel

- Nelson Mandela Award for Health Promotion
  - Statutes, including composition of the Selection Panel

- United Arab Emirates Health Foundation Prize
  - Statutes and Guidelines, including selection criteria and composition of the Selection Panel

- The State of Kuwait Health Promotion Foundation’s His Highness Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah Prize for the Promotion of Healthy Ageing
  - Statutes and Guidelines, including selection criteria and composition of the Selection Panel

- İhsan Doğramaci Family Health Foundation Prize
  - Statutes, including composition of the Selection Panel

- Dr LEE Jong-wook Memorial Prize for Public Health
  - Statutes and Guidelines, including selection criteria and composition of the Selection Panel

*Only awarded every 2 years.
2025 Timeline for Prizes and Awards administered by the WHO Director-General

- **MARCH-MAY 2024**
  Finalization of the composition of the Selection Panels

- **JULY 2024**
  Dispatch of Circular Letter inviting national health administrations of WHO Member States' governments to propose candidatures

- **JUNE 2024**
  Screening of candidatures for compliance

- **1 NOVEMBER 2024**
  Deadline for submitting candidatures

- **JANUARY 2025**
  Selection Panels proposals and decision by the Executive Board on the laureates

- **MAY 2025**
  Presentation of the Prizes and Awards to the laureates during the World Health Assembly

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Confirmation of the Selection Panels → Application process → The selection process → The awards ceremony
Procedure for submitting candidates for the prizes and award in 2025

01
WHO Member States submit nominations for candidates by email to foundationprizes@who.int by the timeline.

02
The candidature must include:
- a transmittal letter or Note Verbale; the candidature form(s) in English, French or Spanish; both documents must be signed and stamped by the submitting national health authority; and adequate justification and documentation should be enclosed.

03
Each national health administration can nominate only one candidate per award.

04
Candidates not selected in past years can be nominated again.

05
Current or former WHO staff member and current members of the Executive Board are ineligible to receive such prizes and award.

06
Former laureates of a Prize may put forward the name of a candidate for that same Prize.

The candidature forms for each prize and award are available on the Governance website at apps.who.int/gb/awards. Queries can be sent to foundationprizes@who.int.
Thank you

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