



Award for Excellence in Human Research Protection **Sponsorship Information**

Health Improvement Institute (Institute) launched the *Award for Excellence in Human Research Protection* to encourage and to recognize excellence and innovation in human research protection. The Institute has established 3 categories of Award:

- Best Practice – given to a research institution, an unit, or an individual that has the best way, one of the best ways, or a proven way to achieve, or to contribute toward achieving, the protection that is the specified purpose of the practice
- Innovation – given to an individual (or a team) who has introduced an innovation in or a novel approach to the protection of human research subjects
- Life-time Achievement – given to an individual who has made significant contributions to the protection of human subjects of research over a continuous period of at least 20 years.

Sponsorship opportunities

The federal *Office for Human Research Protections* was the founding sponsor of the Award program. Health Improvement Institute is now seeking contributions and multi-year grants to support the Award program and sponsors for Award events. Opportunities include sponsorship of:

- An Award (e.g., cash prize)
- An Award dinner/ceremony
- Educational workshops designed to inform potential applicants about Award-winning best practices and innovations.

Sponsorship benefits

Sponsor will be recognized as promoting the conduct of sound, ethical research, the improvement of the research enterprise, and the protection of volunteers' well being. Additional potential benefits of sponsorship include:

- Recognition in the name of an Award or a sponsored event

- Acknowledgement in Award program materials as a sponsor or contributor
- Invitations to any Award ceremonies and receptions
- Ability to nominate Award judges and members of Award committees
- Cooperative marketing programs and access to the Institute's resources, including speaking engagements by Award winners
- Use of the Award program logo in sponsors' marketing materials.

Sponsorship levels

The Institute has established various levels of sponsorship, which may include in-kind contributions. Sponsorship levels include:

- Award sponsor, including a cash prize to the winner. A sponsor who commits to fund an Award for 10 years could have the Award named after the sponsor during the period of sponsorship
- Event sponsor (e.g., reception)
- Sustaining sponsors to provide funds for multiple years (to support Award program operations).

Health Improvement Institute

The Institute is a tax-exempt, 501(c)3 research and educational organization that gives national Awards, conducts forums on emerging treatments, and undertakes other programs toward fulfilling its mission of enabling informed health care decision-making.

Additional Information

If you have any questions about the *Award for Excellence in Human Research Protection*, please contact the Award Coordinator at 301-320-0965 or by email at hii@hii.org. For more information:

- Health Improvement Institute, please visit our website, <http://www.hii.org>
- Office for Human Research Protections, visit <http://www.dhhs.gov/ohrp>.

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