

2021 Call for Nominations for Best Mentor in Health Research Award

The Department of Science and Technology-Philippine Council for Health Research and Development (DOST-PCHRD) recognizes the vital role of the research mentor who selflessly shares knowledge and skills, instills values and attitudes, and inspires those involved in the research process, thereby creating an enabling environment and contributing to capacity-building in research.

The Best Mentor Award is offered biennially to recognize and reward mentors in health research who have built the capacities of researchers in the health sector and, in the process, propelled significant advances in the Philippine National Health Research System's (PNHRS) thrusts as identified in the National Unified Health Research Agenda (NUHRA).

Awardees will be selected per cluster (Luzon, Visayas, Mindanao and NCR) and categorized according to their mentees (Undergraduate Students, Graduate Students and Junior/Early Career Researchers). Also, national winners will be chosen for each category who will be awarded during the PNHRS Week Celebration.

Objective

Best Mentor Award recognizes excellence in mentorship that results in productivity of mentees in health research.

Eligibility

A. Who can nominate

The nominating party may be any of the following:

- head of the nominee's institution or immediate supervisor
- colleague/s
- trainee/s
- student/advisee

Self-nomination is not allowed.

B. Who can be nominated

1. must be a Filipino citizen
2. must be with appropriate or relevant academic qualifications
3. must be actively involved in mentoring researchers/students or colleagues for at least 3 years
4. has a good track record as a researcher in terms of any of the following: publication, product development or policy formulation
5. professionally involved in health research activities either as a research program/project leader, principal and co-principal investigator, mentor/adviser/trainer, or author/co-author
6. actively involved in any health research activities in the last 5 years such as conduct of research training and extension work, paper presentations, fund generation, research promotion and networking, research agenda setting, and capacity-building activities

*Winners are ineligible for subsequent nominations, while non-winners are still eligible for nominations if they submit a new set of documents but not for consecutive calls of nomination

How to nominate

Submit the recommendation form (either personally delivered, by courier, or thru email) for initial screening to the regional consortium secretariat. (Please refer to the attached list of regional consortia and contact information)

For completed DOST-PCHRD and ASTHRDP scholars, submit entries to DOST-PCHRD for screening and endorsement of the PCHRD Scholar's Society (PSS).

A. For the qualified nominees

The requirements below should be submitted strictly within the deadline

1. Five (5) hard copies of the following documents:

1.1. Accomplished curriculum vitae of the nominee using the prescribed format for Best Mentor Award

1.2. A narrative description (1,000-1,500 words) of the nominee's mentoring activities using the guide questions provided, accompanied by supporting documents, e.g. photos and other relevant documentation.

1.3. Description of other achievements attained related to health research for the last 5 years, including supporting documents e.g., photocopy of certificates of recognition/awards/honors received by the nominee, which are relevant to the nominee's eligibility criteria in Section IV. B Who can be nominated.

2. Cite names of 5 mentees, their achievements in research, and a narrative description of the nominee's contribution to the success of each mentored research.

To be submitted in a folder with proper tabbing and table of contents. Supplemental documents and/or verifications may be required as deemed necessary.

B. Selection Criteria

There will be a review of nominations by the Cluster/National Selection Committee based on the following criteria:

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| c.2.1. Research Guidance | 44% |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Quantitative Indicators – refer to the no. of research mentees guided, advised or mentored by the candidate; also includes the nominee's years of experience in mentoring.• Qualitative indicators – to be decided by the evaluators; may include extent, quality/result of the research guidance/mentoring done e.g., awards and other forms of recognition received by the mentor and/or other mentees | |
| c.2.2. Track Record in Research | 21% |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Publications refer to peer-reviewed journals during the last 5 years:<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ main author in a Philippine journal or international journal | |

- ❖ co-author in a Philippine journal or international journal
- **Awards** received refer to recognition received for the research completed as:
 - ❖ main author/principal investigator in the Philippines or International
 - ❖ co-author/member of a research team in the Philippines or International
- **Paper presented** refers to the number of times the nominee presented the research work/paper in conference, workshop by recognized organization (either oral or poster)
- **Completed research** covers completed unpublished researches over the last 5 years

c.2.3. Dedication in promoting research 20%

- Types of active involvement in five years
 - ❖ Teacher, adviser, panel member, critic
 - ❖ Advocate of health-related policies
 - ❖ Reviewer of refereed journal article/editor/member of editorial board/team
 - ❖ Member of professional organization/network
 - ❖ Trainor in training courses/resource person/lecturer
 - ❖ Research manager/director, coordinator, evaluator
- Quality of active involvement within 5 years as:
 - ❖ Teacher, adviser, panel member, critic
 - ❖ Advocate of health-related policies
 - ❖ Reviewer of refereed journal articles, editor/member of editorial team
 - ❖ Trainor in training courses/resource person
 - ❖ Research manager, coordinator, evaluator

c.2.4. Contribution towards a supportive research environment 10%

- Providing research opportunities as:
 - ❖ Organizer/initiator of program, project, policy
 - ❖ Organizer/initiator/member of team for workshops, conferences
 - ❖ Organizer/initiator/member of team for training courses
 - ❖ Director/chair/administrator for research
 - ❖ Study group leader
 - ❖ Research team leader

c.2.5. Other Criteria as agreed by the Evaluators 5%

This may include awards/recognition received by mentees/advisees/students of the nominee or any agreed criteria; impact of R&D in terms of patenting, commercialization, and/or utilization of research results into policies and actions such as training modules developed, teaching manuals, community modules,

contribution to national health development/equity and/or relevance of research results in health care delivery; etc

Announcement of Winners and Prizes

- All qualified nominees will receive certificates of recognition.
- Cluster Winners from Luzon, Visayas, Mindanao and National Capital Region will receive respective cash prizes and plaques of recognition.
 - Mentors of Undergraduate Students - P50,000.00
 - Mentors of Graduate Students - P50,000.00
 - Mentors of Junior/Early Career Researchers - P100,000.00
- National Winners for each category will receive respective additional cash prizes and trophies which will be awarded during the PNHRS Week Celebration.
 - Mentors of Undergraduate Students - P150,000.00
 - Mentors of Graduate Students - P150,000.00
 - Mentors of Junior/Early Career Researchers - P200,000.00

Timetable

Activity	2021 Timeline
Call for nomination	March – May
Submission of recommendation form to the consortium	May 28, 2021
Submission of the endorsed recommendation forms to DOST-PCHR	June 4, 2021
Submission of complete nominee's documents to DOST-PCHR	June 14, 2021
Pre-screening of nominee's complete documents	June
Selection Process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cluster - National 	June- July
Awarding of Winners	PNHRS Week Celebration (second week of August)