

2019 Lions/PAAO Award in Blindness Prevention



Lions Clubs International
FOUNDATION



General Guidelines

MISSION:

The objective of the Lions/PAAO Award in Blindness Prevention is to recognize an individual ophthalmologist with a demonstrated commitment to providing and/or developing eye care services in underserved communities. The award is granted once a year to a nominee that is a citizen and practicing ophthalmologist in the host country of the Pan-American Regional Course in Ophthalmology or the Pan-American Congress.

AWARD AMOUNT:

US\$1,000 plus a travel budget that includes up to two nights hotel, course registration fee, and domestic roundtrip economy airfare when necessary.

NOMINATION DETAILS:

- a) Candidates must be host country nationals who are currently practicing in the host country of the annual Pan-American Regional Course in Ophthalmology or the Pan-American Congress.
- b) A candidate must be an active member of his/her national ophthalmology society or affiliated subspecialty society.
- c) It is not necessary that candidates be members of Lions Clubs International. However, experience working with local Lions in their community eye health programs and/or their national blindness prevention committee will be considered.
- d) Candidates may not self-nominate.
- e) Winner will be expected to participate in all elements of the Lions/PAAO Award in Blindness Prevention, including but not limited to:
 - Attend the Pan-American Regional Course in Ophthalmology or the Pan-American Congress
 - Permit use of his/her name and photographs in any LCIF or PAAO publications related to the Lions/PAAO Award in Blindness Prevention and/or the Pan-American Regional Course in Ophthalmology or the Pan-American Congress
- f) Submissions will be accepted via email beginning **Monday, August 27, 2018**, and ending **Friday, February 15, 2019**. Submissions should be addressed to 2019 Award Committee at SightFirst@lionsclubs.org.

NOMINATION CHECKLIST:

1. **Completed nomination form**
2. **Nominating letter detailing the individual's contribution to blindness prevention in underserved communities**
3. **Complete and current curriculum vitae of the nominee**

AWARD WINNER SELECTION:

- a) The Lions/PAAO Award in Blindness Prevention Selection Committee will review and select participants based on completed nomination forms received by **Friday, February 15, 2019**. Incomplete nominations or those received after the **Friday, February 15, 2019**, deadline may not be reviewed.
- b) The award winner will be notified by the Selection Committee by **Friday, March 15, 2019**.

PUBLICATION OF RESULTS:

The award winner will be announced on the Lions Clubs International Foundation website (www.lcif.org) and the Pan-American Association of Ophthalmology website (<http://www.paao.org/>) by the week of **Friday, March 15, 2019**.

LIONS/PAAO AWARD IN BLINDNESS PREVENTION CEREMONY:

The award winner will be honored at the XXXIV Pan-American Congress of Ophthalmology, in Cancun, Mexico, in May 2019.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Contact 2019 Award Committee at SightFirst@lionsclubs.org or call (630) 468-7031.

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NOMINATION FORM

DEADLINE: FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2019

NOMINEE INFORMATION

Name of Nominee: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip Code: _____ Country: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Practice type: _____

Is he/she a member of the National Society of Ophthalmology? _____ Years of membership: _____

Is he/she a member of Lions Clubs International? _____ Years of membership: _____

Is he/he a member of the Pan-American Association of Ophthalmology? _____ Years of membership: _____

NOMINATOR/S INFORMATION

Name of Nominator/s: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip Code: _____ Country: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

1. Nominating letter detailing the individual's contribution to blindness prevention in underserved communities
2. Complete and current curriculum vitae of the nominee

Signature of Nominator _____ Date _____

I verify that the above information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

*Please return the completed nomination form by **Friday, February 15, 2019**.*

2019 Award Committee
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