International Healthcare Security and Safety Foundation (IHSSF)

IHSSF was established for the purpose of fostering and promoting the welfare of the public through educational and scientific research and development of healthcare security and safety management and administration.

These objectives of service to the public are accomplished by:

• Promoting and developing educational research into the maintenance and improvement of healthcare security and safety management

• Developing and conducting educational programs for the public in the field of healthcare security and safety management

IHSSF Recognition Program

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The Recognition Program has been established to recognize and promote overall excellence and exceptional contributions in the fields of healthcare security, safety, or risk management consistent with the purpose and aims of the International Healthcare Security and Safety Foundation.



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Lindberg Bell Outstanding Facility Recognition

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Lindberg Bell Outstanding Facility Recognition

Named in memory of Lindberg Bell, a charter member and second President of the International Association for Healthcare Security and Safety (IAHSS), this recognition is presented to a facility which has established and administers an outstanding healthcare security and/or safety program.

The Nomination Review Committee shall examine all nominations to evaluate measurable advancements in the total program within the 30-month period defined in the nomination.

Documents supporting the nomination must include levels of all services provided within the program parameters, providing a complete explanation of the specific enhancements achieved during the period defined in the nomination, operational results achieved by the changes, and the measurable savings in resources and funds.

Criteria considered include, but are not limited to, the introduction of, or changes to, programs in the areas of crime prevention, risk management, security and/or safety services, staff education and/or training, innovation, and application of contemporary/ state-of-the-art technology in the areas of personnel identification, access control, intrusion alarm, incident response, and integrated electronic reporting systems.

The Nomination Review Committee shall evaluate, among other variables, aspects of the program which significantly contribute to a comprehensive, progressive, balanced, results-oriented, cost-effective program. Consideration will be afforded to programs which extend to and include community involvement by the department and/or involvement of community members, as well as the degree of difficulty with which the changes were effected (e.g., making changes in an established program within an aging physical plant as opposed to a modern facility with state-of-the-art technology).

Nomination Criteria

Nominations may be submitted by any member in good standing of IAHSS, an executive of a healthcare facility/institution, or contract security provider employing an IAHSS member in good standing.

To be considered, nominations must be received by the Nomination Review Committee *no later than January 15 of each year*.

Nominations must specifically define the measurable advancements in the total program attained by the nominated faculty within the designated 30-month period. Materials supporting nomination must include the name and business address of the nominated facility's chief executive and media relations officers as well as identification of local media outlets.

All documentation and materials supporting the nomination become property of IHSSF and will not be returned.

Inquiries may be directed to 888/353-0990 or nancy@iahss.org

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Nomination Review Committee

The IHSSF President shall appoint a Nomination Review Committee annually. The Committee shall be comprised of at least three persons including the Committee Chairperson. Committee members shall be active or Life members in good standing of IAHSS. At least one member shall be an Officer of the seated IHSSF Board of Directors.

Recognition shall be granted without regard to race, creed, gender, national origin, or age. Recognition will be based solely upon the documentation provided with the nomination.

Nominee Selection

In accordance with procedures established by the IHSSF Board of Directors, the Nomination Review Committee shall select the most qualified as recipient of the Lindberg Bell Outstanding Facility Recognition. Selection will be finalized in late March.

The determinations and decisions of the Nomination Review Committee are final, based solely upon the submitted nomination documentation and supporting materials. The Nomination Review Committee will not divulge, nor discuss, with nominees, nominators, or other persons information regarding the selection of the recipient.

Recognition will not be provided if the Nomination Review Committee determines that established criteria has not been met.

In early April, the President of IHSSF will be notified by the Committee Chairperson of the decision of the Nomination Review Committee. The IHSSF President will, by formal business correspondence, notify the chief executive officer of the selected facility, provide the specific nature of the recognition, and provide an invitation to the IAHSS event at which the facility will be formally recognized.

The Chairperson of the Nominating Review Committee will submit a press release to the chief executive and media relations officers of the selected facility and identified local media outlets. This information will be provided to be released within five days prior/subsequent to the scheduled event of recognition.