

## 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

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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### Distinguished IAHSS Chapter

presented in furtherance of the purpose and aims of the International Healthcare Security and Safety Foundation



## Distinguished IAHSF Chapter

Presented to the Chapter of the International Association for Healthcare Security and Safety demonstrating the greatest initiative and/or innovation in promoting the healthcare security and safety profession as well as IAHSF.

The Nomination Review Committee examines all nominations to evaluate measurable achievements and accomplishments made in a 30-month period.

Documents supporting the nomination must include, but are not limited to:

- Chapter sponsorship and hosting of the IAHSF Annual General Meeting, Regional Seminar, or other formal IAHSF programs
- Co-sponsorship of educational programs with other chartered professional healthcare and/or security organizations
- Significant contributions by the Chapter to the healthcare security and safety profession, including but not limited to:
  - Identification and resolution of problems unique to healthcare within the Chapter geographical area or healthcare in general
  - Research which significantly enhances, rejects, tracks, or recommends revision of specific security and/or safety practices and programs in healthcare
  - Overall consistency, quality, and/or innovation of: Chapter-sponsored educational programs, achieved attendance thereat, and Chapter Web site design and content

- Chapter involvement or representation as a recognized authority on municipal, state, or regional healthcare security and safety issues

- Consistency, quality, and timeliness of Chapter meeting announcements, agenda, minutes, newsletters, and other documents provided to the membership, copies of which are forwarded to the IAHSF Central Office

## Nomination Criteria

Nominations may be submitted by any member in good standing of IAHSF. Regional Chairpersons of IAHSF are especially encouraged to provide nomination of deserving Chapters.

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 achievements and accomplishments attained by the nominated Chapter within the designated 30-month period. Nomination documentation should provide complete identification of the Chapter officers as well as addresses of media relations officers of their respective facilities and 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](mailto:nancy@iahss.org)

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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 IAHSF. 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 Distinguished Chapter 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 Chairperson of the selected Chapter of the selection and provide an invitation to the IAHSF event at which the Chapter will be formally recognized.

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