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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Recognition Program

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Distinguished Lifeworks Medal

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

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Distinguished Lifeworks Medal

- Presented to an individual who has distinguished himself/herself throughout a fulfilled professional career devoted to the furtherance of the purpose and aims of IHSSF and the goals and objectives of IAHSS
- Who has been fully-retired from employment in healthcare security/safety for at least 30 months
- Who, during the last 20 years and 6 months of that professional career, was an active and participating member of IAHSS
- Who, at the time of retirement, had achieved 5 re-certifications as a Certified Healthcare Security Administrator
- Who, at a minimum, was elected or appointed to and successfully served in Chapter offices and committees
- Whose curriculum vitae provides specific information on:
 - at least 10 significant achievements directly contributing to the profession *or*
 - a professional career dedicated to providing a continuous high level of service in the disciplines of the profession *as well as*
 - educational and other professional career achievements

Nominations shall be reviewed and approved by the appointed Chapter and Regional Chairpersons and the full Board of Directors of IAHSS prior to submission to the Nomination Review Committee for the unanimous decision of that committee.

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 act, action, achievement, accomplishment, or service meriting recognition.

Materials supporting nomination must include the name and business address of the nominee 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

Mailing address

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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 for 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 selected recipient, provide the specific nature of that recognition, and provide an invitation to the IAHSS event at which the recipient will be formally recognized.

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