

**Oregon Dental Hygienists' Association**

Policy: **Awards 03-02**

Program: **Committees and Programs**

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**Purpose:** The ODHA awards exist to recognize exemplary service, dedication, and contributions to the profession in Oregon by dental hygienists, students and partners (which shall include corporate and legislative).

## **ODHA Future Leader Award**

**Purpose:** Presented to an outstanding graduating dental hygiene student at each of the dental hygiene programs in Oregon. Prior to 2012 this award was called the Professional Achievement award and had slightly different criteria. All award winners have been outstanding members of their classes.

**Policy:** Recognition of award recipient at annual session by ODHA president or representative appointed by the ODHA President

**Procedure:** These winners **are** selected by **the designated dental hygiene faculty** who feel they have shown potential as a leader during their time together. **Designated faculty are asked to choose a student** who has shown the following qualities: leadership, vision, passion, interpersonal skills, assertiveness, dedication, **professionalism**, student member of the ADHA and commitment to the profession.

The recipient will receive a gift from ODHA and will receive opportunities to explore leadership within the association.

## **Lynn Ironside Access to Care Award**

**Purpose:** The Lynn Ironside Access to Care Award was established in 2016 in honor of Lynn Ironside, a tireless advocate for her profession and the oral health of her community.

### **Policy:**

Award Recipient Receives:

Commemorative award

Recognition in ODHA Publication

Complementary ODHC Registration

Recognition at annual session by ODHA president or representative appointed by the ODHA President

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### **Procedure:**

- Submission Deadline: 45 days prior to ODHC
- Selection Time Frame: 30 days prior to ODHC
- Submission Review: The scholarship and awards committee will review the nomination application.
- Checklist for Application:
  - ADHA Member number
  - Headshot
  - Completed nomination form
- The criteria for selecting the recipient of the award are: advocacy for our profession, leadership, and community activity
- Essay
  - Lynn has made a lasting impact on dental hygiene in Oregon. Her hard work, diligence, and vision have improved the profession for all dental hygienists in Oregon. How will the profession of dental hygiene be impacted through the nominee's work in the community, through advocacy, and through our association?

## **Lois Whitford Outstanding Oregon Dental Hygienist Award**

**Purpose:** The Lois Whitford Outstanding Oregon Dental Hygienist award was established in 1995 to honor an ODHA member who makes an outstanding contribution to dental hygiene in Oregon.

**Policy:** Award is presented only when an appropriate nomination is received  
Award recipient receives:  
Commemorative award  
Recognition in ODHA Publication  
Complementary ODHC Registration  
Recognition of award recipient at annual session by ODHA president or representative appointed by the ODHA President

### **Procedure:**

- Submission Deadline: 45 days prior to ODHC
- Selection Time Frame: 30 days prior to ODHC
- Submission Review: The scholarship and awards committee will review the nomination application.
- Checklist for Application:
  - ADHA Member number
  - Headshot
  - Completed essay or nomination form

## **Outstanding Achievement for a Component**

**Purpose:** The Outstanding Achievement for a Component Award was established in 2016 to recognize the support and diligence of components in moving the association forward.

**Policy:** Receives:

Commemorative award

Recognition in ODHA Publication

Recognition of award recipient at annual session by ODHA president or representative appointed by the ODHA President

**Procedure:**

- Submission Deadline: 45 days prior to ODHC
- Selection Time Frame: 30 days prior to ODHC
- Submission Review: The scholarship and awards committee will review the nomination application.
- Checklist for Application:
  - Group Photo
  - Completed nomination form
- Essay question: The purpose of a component is: A local community of support for dental hygienists that conducts local meetings, service, and activities and provides a reciprocal connection to the constituent and national organizations. Describe how your component has met this purpose and has made a positive, lasting impact on the hygienists in its community.
- The criteria for selection includes: member support, passion for the association, and community involvement.

## **Outstanding Partner Award**

**Purpose:** The Outstanding Partner Award was established in 2016 in order to recognize corporate and local partners who help advance ODHA and the profession of dental hygiene as a whole.

**Policy:** Receives:

Commemorative award

Recognition in ODHA Publication

Recognition of award recipient at annual session by ODHA president or representative appointed by the ODHA President

**Procedure:**

- Submission Deadline: 45 days prior to ODHC
- Selection Time Frame: 30 days prior to ODHC
- Submission Review: The scholarship and awards committee will review the nomination application.
- Checklist for Application:
  - Photo
  - Company Logo
  - Completed nomination form
- Essay question: How has this partner fulfilled the criteria for selection?
- The criteria for selection includes: commitment to furthering the profession of dental hygiene through: financial sponsorship, member support, excellent relationship between ODHA and the partner, and demonstrating a desire to elevate the professional and public perception of dental hygienists.