**OPHA Awards**

*Criteria for choosing awardees*

**Lifetime Achievement Award** – *This award will be given to a person who has demonstrated a*

*lifetime commitment to public health and to the improvement of health in Oregon*

* Longevity of work in the public health field
* Demonstrates creative and innovative thinking
* Led at least one successful effort to improve public health
* Led at least one successful effort to improve health policy
* Voluntary involvement in public health efforts outside job expectations
* Nurtures future public health leaders
* Engages partners outside the public health system to reach public health goals

**Emerging Leader** – *This award will be given to a person that has demonstrated leadership,*

*innovation, and creativity in the beginning of his or her public health career. Alternatively, this*

*award may also be given to an organization that has demonstrated leadership, innovation and*

*creativity at the onset of their organizational development.*

* Plans to continue work in the public health field
* Demonstrates creative and innovative thinking
* Led at least one successful effort to improve public health
* (For an individual) Voluntary involvement in public health efforts outside job expectations

**Policy Champion of the Year Award** – *This award will be given to a person or organization*

*that has made an outstanding contribution to advancing public health policy in Oregon*

* Led at least one successful effort in the past year to pass legislation that is likely to improve
* public health
* Has stated goals to work toward improving Public Health policy
* Involved in more than one effort to pass public health legislation
* Has developed partnerships with public health entities and experts to inform their work

**Health Equity Champion Award Criteria** –*This award will be given to**champions working across sectors to ensure that everyone has opportunities where we live, learn, work and play.*

* Fosters health equity and equity of opportunity within our public health community
* Encourages diverse perspectives and voices into our public health work
* Creates a welcoming and supportive climate through visibility, communication, and educational efforts
* Showcases creativity and innovation in the promotion of equity, diversity and inclusion throughout OPHA and/or in Oregon
* Demonstrates the impact and advantages of fostering inclusiveness
* Exemplify exceptional achievement, excellence, outstanding leadership, and have made contributions that have advanced the community’s health; and
* Demonstrate achievements in protecting and promoting the health of Oregon residents
* Contributes to uplifting health equity for communities through advocacy for policy and systems change.