

# 2015 Lions/PAAO Award in Blindness Prevention



## General Guidelines

### MISSION:

The objective of the Lions/PAAO Award in Blindness Prevention is to recognize an individual ophthalmologist with a demonstrated commitment to providing and/or developing eye care services in underserved communities. The award is granted once a year to a nominee that is a citizen and practicing ophthalmologist in the host country of the Pan-American Regional Course in Ophthalmology or the Pan-American Congress.

### AWARD AMOUNT:

\$1,000 USD plus a travel budget that includes up to two nights hotel, course registration fee, and domestic roundtrip economy airfare when necessary.

### NOMINATION DETAILS:

- a) Candidates must be host country nationals who are currently practicing in the host country of the annual Pan-American Regional Course in Ophthalmology or the Pan-American Congress.
- b) A candidate must be an active member of his/her national ophthalmology society or affiliated subspecialty society.
- c) It is not necessary that candidates be members of Lions Clubs International. However, experience working with local Lions in their community eye health programs and/or their national blindness prevention committee will be considered.
- d) Candidates may not self nominate.
- e) Winner will be expected to participate in all elements of the Lions/PAAO Award in Blindness Prevention, including but not limited to:
  - Attend the Pan-American Regional Course in Ophthalmology or the Pan-American Congress
  - Permit use of his/her name and photographs in any LCIF or PAAO publications related to the Lions/PAAO Award in Blindness Prevention and/or the Pan-American Regional Course in Ophthalmology or the Pan-American Congress
- f) Submissions will be accepted via email beginning **Monday, January 26, 2015** and ending **Monday, June 1, 2015**. Submissions should be addressed to 2015 Award Committee at [SightFirst@lionsclubs.org](mailto:SightFirst@lionsclubs.org).

### NOMINATION CHECKLIST:

1. **Completed nomination form**
2. **Nominating letter, detailing the individual's contribution to blindness prevention in underserved communities**
3. **Complete and current curriculum vitae of the nominee**

### AWARD WINNER SELECTION:

- a) The Lions/PAAO Award in Blindness Prevention Selection Committee will review and select participants based on completed nomination forms received by **Monday, June 1, 2015**. Incomplete nominations or those received after the **Monday, June 1, 2015** deadline may not be reviewed.
- b) The award winner will be notified by the Selection Committee by **Monday, June 15, 2015**.

### PUBLICATION OF RESULTS:

The award winner will be announced on the Lions Clubs International Foundation website (<http://www.lcif.org/EN/>) and the Pan-American Association of Ophthalmology website (<http://www.paa.org/>) by the week of **Monday, June 15, 2015**.

### LIONS/PAAO AWARD IN BLINDNESS PREVENTION CEREMONY:

The award winner will be honored at the XXXI Pan-American Congress in Bogota, Colombia in August 2015.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Contact "2015 Award Committee", [SightFirst@lionsclubs.org](mailto:SightFirst@lionsclubs.org) or call 630-468-7031.

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## NOMINATION FORM

DEADLINE: MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2015

### NOMINEE INFORMATION

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Practice type: \_\_\_\_\_

Is he/she a member of the National Society of Ophthalmology? \_\_\_\_\_ Years of membership: \_\_\_\_\_

Is he/she a member of Lions Clubs International? \_\_\_\_\_ Years of membership: \_\_\_\_\_

Is he/he a member of the Pan-American Association of Ophthalmology? \_\_\_\_\_ Years of membership: \_\_\_\_\_

### NOMINATOR/S INFORMATION

Name of Nominator/s: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

1. Nominating letter, detailing the individual's contribution to blindness prevention in underserved communities.
2. Complete and current curriculum vitae of the nominee

Signature of Nominator \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*I verify that the above information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.*

*Please return the completed nomination form by **Monday, June 1, 2015** to:*

2015 Award Committee  
Lions Clubs International Foundation  
[SightFirst@lionsclubs.org](mailto:SightFirst@lionsclubs.org)  
Telephone: (630) 468-7031