

Social Work Hospice and Palliative Care Network Project on Death in America Social Work Leadership Award

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*Social Work in Hospice and Palliative Care Network will grant a **Project on Death in America (PDIA) Social Work Leadership Award** to a social worker who demonstrates outstanding leadership and advanced the field in end-of-life, hospice and palliative care. The recipient will attend the annual conference of a selected social work or palliative care professional organization where they will receive this award and have an opportunity to present a summary of their work. The recipient will also be encouraged to publish their work in a professional journal. The goals of this very special professional award are to acknowledge and increase the visibility of social workers' contributions to end-of-life, hospice and palliative care and encourage future generations to continue providing quality care to the seriously ill, dying and bereaved.*

Description

This award will be given annually and will acknowledge the contributions of outstanding social work leaders in the specialized area of social work in palliative and end of life care. Nominations are sought for individuals who have made significant contributions to advancing social work practice in one or more of the following areas: **research, education, practice, and policy**. This unique award is created through the generous support and vision of the Project on Death in America.

Nomination Process

Eligibility:

- Must hold a degree in Social Work from an academic institution recognized by the Council on Social Work Education or a comparable accrediting body in the nominee's country
- Have exemplified excellence and leadership in end-of-life, hospice and palliative care that has reached beyond their immediate institution/place of employment

Application must include:

- A completed nomination form
- Two letters of support (not written by the nominator) which clearly demonstrate the nominee's skills, talents and accomplishments related to hospice and palliative care
- A copy of the nominee's curriculum vitae

The award will be presented at the annual meeting of an organization chosen by the Social Work in Hospice and Palliative Care Network Award Committee, working in collaboration with the awardee, for its relevance to the field and the awardee's specific accomplishments. The awardee will be asked to either give a presentation and/or host a

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forum with conference attendees interested in speaking with an accomplished practitioner in end-of-life, hospice and palliative care social work.

The recipient will also be encouraged to publish their work in a professional journal, such as the *Journal of Palliative Medicine* or the *Journal of Social Work in End-of-Life and Palliative Care*.

In addition to the honor associated with selection by professional peers, the award includes a monetary grant of \$1,000 and travel expenses to/from the conference.

Submission Process

There are two ways to submit an application for this award.

- Nomination forms can be submitted electronically and can be accessed at <http://swhpn.org/nomination>.
- Though the online form is preferred, hard copy applications will be accepted and can be downloaded here: <http://www.swhpn.org/nominations.pdf>
Hard copy applications must be faxed with all required supporting documentation to: (215) 975-2100.

Applications submitted electronically receive the same consideration as applications submitted by fax. All inquires about the award or the submission process can be directed to the award committee at award@swhpn.org.

Deadline

Completed nomination packets must be received no later than **March 15, 2008**. The individual selected to receive the Project on Death in America Social Work Leadership Award, and the individual who nominated them, will receive notification no later than **April 30, 2008**.

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PART A: Nomination Form

1) Nominator's name: _____

2) Nominator's e-mail address: _____

3) Nominee's name: _____

4) Nominee's e-mail address: _____

5) Nominee's academic credentials: ___ BSW ___ MSW ___ PhD or DSW

6) Nominee's professional affiliation/employer: _____

7) Please summarize the Nominee's qualifications that are relevant to this award by listing positions held/employment, professional association memberships, committees, etc.

8) Please attach your response to the following:

*Why do you believe that this individual should be the recipient of this award? Highlight specific contributions and accomplishments in the areas of **research, education, practice, and/or policy**. (Maximum length 600 words)*

9) Please submit letters of support for this nominee (2 required)

10) Please submit a copy of the nominee's Curriculum Vitae

Nominator's Name

Date