



2019 Best In Health Awards Nomination Form

APPLICATION DEADLINE: **September 13th 5 p.m.**


This application is also available online at <http://bit.ly/2019BIH>


What are the Best In Health Awards? The Best in Health Awards are a time to celebrate the success of the organizations and individuals who have been improving our community's health. The Best in Health Awards are given in honor of Laurie Moran, founding convener and former coordinating committee member of The Health Collaborative. Her spirited passion and longstanding commitment to building a vibrant, healthier and more resilient Dan River Region, provided inspiration, strategic guidance and an inclusive leadership framework to The Health Collaborative. While all participating organizations and community groups will be celebrated, up to six Best In Health Awards will be presented to those who are going above and beyond to make the healthy choice the easy choice in the places where we live, learn, work, play, pray, and age. These awards include \$500 honorarium to continue impacting health in the region.


The celebration will take place on **Wednesday, October 16th, 12:30 p.m.** at Cottontail Events (600 Craghead St. Danville) as part of the 2019 Health Summit. By applying, you are acknowledging that you can be present for the awards ceremony. Winners will be contacted by the selection committee before the Health Summit.

Qualifications: To apply for a Best In Health Award, organizations, worksites, schools, childcare providers, etc. must have a place of operation within Caswell County, NC; City of Danville; VA or Pittsylvania County, VA. The program, policy, or environment change must have taken place between November 1, 2018 and September 1, 2019.

How to apply: Applicants are eligible to apply for multiple categories, but may only win once in each category as selected by the judging committee. Up to two awards may be given in each category. Organizations may nominate themselves or others for awards. Applications can be submitted through the online application, emailed to elyse@thehealthcollab.com, or mailed to Elyse Jardine at Virginia Cooperative Extension- 150B Slayton Ave – Danville VA 24540. The deadline for award submissions is **September 13th at 5:00 p.m.**

 **Program:** A wellness program is an effective method to promote health and well-being among staff, congregation, and community members. Programs encourage awareness of health-related issues, improve morale, and often reduces the cost of healthcare (examples include lunch & learn programs, walking programs, health challenges, health competitions, support groups, etc.).

 **Policy:** A policy is a wellness principle, rule, or guideline formulated and adopted by an organization, church or community group to assist members in maintaining or achieving wellness goals. Policies are designed to influence staff, guide decisions and actions (examples include tobacco free grounds policy, wellness committee policy, food and beverage policy, employee assistance policy, etc.).

 **Place (Environment):** Environmental change is a way of modifying the workplace, church, school or gathering place to make healthy choices practical and available to all employees and community members. By changing the physical landscape, a big impact can be made (examples include mapping out a walking trail, having a garden or quiet room on site, having a bike rack and/or shower facilities available for commuters, etc.).

For questions concerning the Best In Health Awards and this application contact Jason Bookheimer at 434-799-5150 or bookhjl@danvilleva.gov



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Applicant Information

Name of Nominee: _____
Nominee refers to the individual or organization that is being submitted for the award

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

County (if applicable): _____

Nominee Contact Information: _____

Applicant Name (if nominating someone else): _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____

Categories - Place an X next to the category you are applying. Please select the award category you are applying for. If applying for more than one category, please submit a separate application for each.

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