

# 2020 *Innovating for Impact Awards*

## NOMINATION CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS

**Nomination deadline: July 31, 2020**

### ABOUT THE AWARDS

GHTC's *Innovating for Impact Awards* celebrates the research partnerships and political champions that help transform breakthrough scientific research into lifesaving drugs, diagnostics, vaccines, and other health tools for devastating, unmet global health challenges. In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the 2020 honorees will be recognized through a digital, multimedia campaign in lieu of our annual recognition dinner.

Awards are presented in two categories:

- The *PARTNERSHIP AWARD* honors an innovative research and development (R&D) partnership that brings together industry, government, nonprofits, academia, or other partners to advance a high-impact, game-changing global health technology. The partnership must have received federally funded research support or in-kind support from a US government agency.
- The *CONGRESSIONAL CHAMPION AWARD* honors two US Members of Congress whose actions have strengthened political will and advanced US efforts to develop technologies to fight the world's most challenging diseases and health conditions.

Nominations for the 2020 awards will be accepted through July 31, 2020 via an [online form](#). Awardees will be editorially selected by a committee of leaders from the global health and research communities and honored through a digital, multimedia campaign in early December that will reach an audience of policymakers, US government officials, media, and leaders of the global health and medical research communities.

### NOMINATION CRITERIA & ELIGIBILITY

#### PARTNERSHIP AWARD

GHTC will honor one innovative, multisector R&D partnership that has advanced, or is working to advance, a high-impact, game-changing new drug, vaccine, diagnostic, or other tool for a critical unmet global health challenge.

- Partnership must be specifically designed to develop, advance, and bring to scale an urgently-needed drug, diagnostic, vaccine, or other tool for an unmet global health need.
- Tool advanced through the partnership must be high-impact, or have the potential for high-impact, on the unmet global health need or target population.

- Partnership must include two or more entities from different sectors (i.e., government agency, nonprofit, academic institution, private industry, etc.) and must have received federally funded research support or in-kind support from a US government agency.
- Innovation must address a historically [neglected disease as defined by the G-FINDER scope](#), a [World Health Organization R&D Blueprint priority disease](#), chikungunya, and/or a key challenge in maternal, newborn, child, adolescent, or reproductive health in low-resource settings.
- Representatives from the partnership must be willing to participate in video and other content pieces created for the digital awards campaign. Time commitment will be minimal.

### CONGRESSIONAL CHAMPION AWARD

GHTC will honor two US Members of Congress who have taken concerted, vocal action to advance R&D to support global health, pandemic preparedness, and/or health security.

- Nominees must be sitting members of the US Congress.
- Honoree must be willing to film brief acceptance remarks for the award.

### ADDITIONAL NOMINATION INFORMATION

- Organizations or individuals are not limited in the number of nominations they submit.
- Prior nomination does not exclude a candidate from consideration in subsequent years.
- All nomination materials submitted will become the property of GHTC, which organizes the *Innovating for Impact Awards*.
- All nominations for the 2020 awards must be received by the deadline of July 31, 2020.

### QUESTIONS FOR NOMINATION FORM

Please submit all nominations through the [online form](#). Below is a list of information requested via the form. \* designates a required response.

#### NOMINATOR INFORMATION

Your name:\*

Title/Position:\*

Organizational affiliation:\*

Email address:\*

I am nominating a:\*

- R&D partnership for the PARTNERSHIP AWARD.
- US Member of Congress for the CONGRESSIONAL CHAMPION AWARD.

#### PARTNERSHIP AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Point of contact for the partnership (name and organization):\*

POC email address:\*

POC phone:

POC mailing address:

Please list the organizations in the partnership, including the US agency providing support.\*

What is the innovation that the R&D partnership has advanced, or is working to advance? Please describe. [250 word limit.]\*

How does this innovation represent a breakthrough in global health R&D? What impact, or potential impact, will it have on health outcomes in poor and vulnerable communities around the world? (Please consider the scale of the global health challenge, state of technology, unmet needs of intended population, product affordability, acceptability, accessibility, etc.) [500 word limit.]\*

What were the unique contributions of partners in advancing this innovation? Why was the partnership critical to advancing this innovation? [500 word limit.]\*

Optional: Please provide any additional information, links, or documentation that supports your nomination and helps tell the story of why the partnership is deserving of this award.\*

### CONGRESSIONAL CHAMPION AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Member of Congress name:\*

Member of Congress state and party affiliation:\*

Point of contact in Member of Congress' office (name):

POC email:

POC phone:

POC mailing address:

POC phone:

How has this Member of Congress used his/her position to support R&D for unmet global health, pandemic preparedness, or health security needs for low-income or vulnerable populations? Please provide any relevant, concrete examples (ex. sponsored legislation, authored op-ed or thought piece, issued a public statement, worked to increase funding, etc.) [500 word limit.]\*

Why is support from this Member of Congress important to advancing the global health R&D ecosystem? How is he/she positioned to take future, influential action in support of global health R&D? [500 word limit.]\*

Optional: What drives the Member of Congress' support for global health R&D? Is there a personal motivation or life experience that drives his/her engagement on these issues?

Optional: Please provide any additional information, links, or documentation that supports your nomination and helps tell the story of why the nominee is a global health R&D champion.