

NBDPN Awards



Godfrey P. Oakley, Jr. Award

President's Award

Mark Canfield State Leadership Award

Birth Defects Education & Prevention Award (2005-present)

Distinguished Service Award

Board of Directors Award

Russel S. Kirby Mentoring Award

Building Bridges Award

GODFREY P. OAKLEY, JR. AWARD

To an individual who has made significant contributions to the field of birth defects. In 2001 this award was given to Dr. Oakley. Thereafter, nominations can be made by the membership, with the Awards Committee to review the nominations and select the most appropriate recipient. This award may or may not be given in any particular year.

PRESENTED TO:

GODFREY P. OAKLEY, JR., MD, MSPM
JANUARY 31, 2001

THOMAS SADLER, PHD
JANUARY 16, 2002

LARRY D. EDMONDS, MSPH
JANUARY 23, 2004

J. DAVID ERICKSON, DDS, PHD
JANUARY 26, 2005

GARY SHAW, DRPH
JANUARY 31, 2006

LOWELL SEVER, PHD
FEBRUARY 6, 2007

RUSSELL KIRBY, PHD
FEBRUARY 13, 2008

CHARLOTTE DRUSCHEL, MD
FEBRUARY 23, 2009

ROBERT E. MEYER, PHD
MARCH 8, 2010

ROBERT J. BERRY, MD, MPHTM
FEBRUARY 28, 2011

LEWIS B. HOLMES, MD
FEBRUARY 27, 2012

RICHARD B. JOHNSTON, JR., MD
FEBRUARY 27, 2013

ALLEN A. MITCHELL, MD
FEBRUARY 27, 2013

MARTHA WERLER, DSC, MPH
MAY 28, 2014

MARK A. CANFIELD, PHD
OCTOBER 20, 2015

JOHN C. CAREY, MD, MPH
OCTOBER 20, 2015

MARGARET HONEIN, PHD, MPH
MARCH 13, 2018

MIGUEL VALENCIA-PRADO, MD, FAAP
MARCH 13, 2018

CYNTHIA MOORE, MD, PHD
MARCH 10, 2020

PAUL ROMITTI, PHD, MS
MARCH 10, 2020

SONJA A. RASMUSSEN, MD, MS
MARCIA L. FELDKAMP, PA, MSPH,
PHD
2023

DR. JANET CRAGAN, MD, MPH
JUNE 2025

PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Honoring an NBDPN member who has made significant contributions important to the mission and goals of the National Birth Defects Prevention Network

PRESENTED TO:

CAROL STANTON
JANUARY 31, 2001

MARCIA FELDKAMP
JANUARY 16, 2002

JANE CORREIA
JANUARY 23, 2004

RUTH MERZ
JANUARY 23, 2004

CARA MAI
JANUARY 26, 2005

RUSSELL KIRBY
JANUARY 31, 2006

LINDA JACKSON
FEBRUARY 6, 2007

RUSSEL RICKARD
FEBRUARY 13, 2008

BRADLEY MCDOWELL
FEBRUARY 23, 2009

JULIANNE COLLINS, PHD
MARCH 8, 2010

SAMARA VINER-BROWN, MS
FEBRUARY 28, 2011

ANN F. PHELPS, MPH
FEBRUARY 29, 2012

YING WANG, PHD
FEBRUARY 26, 2013

MARLENE ANDERKA, SCD
APRIL 23, 2014

PETER LANGLOIS, PHD
OCTOBER 19, 2015

RACHEL RUTKOWSKI, MSPH
MARCH 12, 2018

JENNIFER ISENBERG, MSPH
MARCH 10, 2020

KIMBERLEA HAUSER, MBA
NOVEMBER 17, 2021

MARK CANFIELD STATE LEADERSHIP AWARD

Honoring the outstanding contribution or leadership by a state registry in the development or expansion of birth defects surveillance, or its use in the promotion of prevention services

PRESENTED TO:

NORTH CAROLINA BIRTH DEFECTS MONITORING PROGRAM JANUARY 31, 2001	NEW YORK STATE CONGENITAL MALFORMATIONS REGISTRY (CMR) FEBRUARY 6, 2007	MICHIGAN BIRTH DEFECTS REGISTRY / PREVENTION PROGRAM MARCH 26, 2014
SOUTH CAROLINA BIRTH DEFECTS SURVEILLANCE AND PREVENTION PROGRAM JANUARY 16, 2002	HAWAII BIRTH DEFECTS PROGRAM FEBRUARY 13, 2008	TEXAS BIRTH DEFECTS EPIDEMIOLOGY AND SURVEILLANCE BRANCH OCTOBER 20, 2015
TEXAS BIRTH DEFECTS MONITORING DIVISION JANUARY 23, 2004	ILLINOIS ADVERSE PREGNANCY OUTCOMES REPORTING SYSTEM FEBRUARY 23, 2009	MASSACHUSETTS BIRTH DEFECTS MONITORING PROGRAM MARCH 12, 2018
NEW JERSEY SPECIAL CHILD HEALTH SERVICES REGISTRY JANUARY 26, 2005	COLORADO RESPONDS TO CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS MARCH 8, 2010	PUERTO RICO BIRTH DEFECTS SURVEILLANCE AND PREVENTION SYSTEM MARCH 10, 2020
CALIFORNIA BIRTH DEFECTS MONITORING PROGRAM JANUARY 31, 2006	IOWA REGISTRY FOR CONGENITAL AND INHERITED DISORDERS FEBRUARY 28, 2011	ILLINOIS ADVERSE PREGNANCY OUTCOMES REPORTING SYSTEM & RHODE ISLAND BIRTH DEFECTS PROGRAM 2023
RUSSELL KIRBY JANUARY 31, 2006	FLORIDA BIRTH DEFECTS REGISTRY FEBRUARY 28, 2012	TENNESSEE BIRTH DEFECTS SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM/ ERIN HODSON JUNE, 2025
	UTAH BIRTH DEFECT NETWORK FEBRUARY 26, 2013	

BIRTH DEFECTS EDUCATION & PREVENTION AWARD

Honoring the outstanding activities of agencies to promote Public awareness of birth defects through Innovative and collaborative efforts during Birth Defects Prevention Month. This award was previously called the “**Birth Defects Prevention Month Achievement Award.**”

This award honored programs that had been able to capitalize on “January is Birth Defects Prevention Month” by using the NBDPN distributed materials and other resources to promote birth defects prevention messages to key partners and the public.

PRESENTED TO:

ARKANSAS REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH MONITORING SYSTEM, UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES, AND ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
JANUARY 16, 2002

MONTANA BIRTH OUTCOMES MONITORING PROGRAM, MARCH OF DIMES – MT CHAPTER
JANUARY 16, 2002

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, MARCH OF DIMES FLORIDA CHAPTER, AND UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA
JANUARY 23, 2004

PUERTO RICO FOLIC ACID CAMPAIGN AND BIRTH DEFECTS SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM
JANUARY 26, 2005

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA FOLIC ACID CAMPAIGN
JANUARY 31, 2006

USF BIRTH DEFECTS CENTER
FEBRUARY 6, 2007

LATINO EDUCATION CAMPAIGN, NORTH CAROLINA FOLIC ACID CAMPAIGN
FEBRUARY 13, 2008

SOUTH CAROLINA BIRTH DEFECTS PREVENTION PROGRAM
FEBRUARY 23, 2009

PUERTO RICO BIRTH DEFECTS SURVEILLANCE AND PREVENTION SYSTEM
MARCH 8, 2010

NBDPN EDUCATION & OUTREACH COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 28, 2011

ARKANSAS CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE AND UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS FOR MEDICAL SCIENCES
FEBRUARY 28, 2012

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH AND OHIO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
FEBRUARY 28, 2012

NBDPN PARENTS ADVISORY GROUP
FEBRUARY 2013

ARKANSAS CENTER FOR BIRTH DEFECTS RESEARCH AND PREVENTION
MARCH 26, 2014

UTAH BIRTH DEFECT NETWORK
OCTOBER 20, 2015

MINNESOTA BIRTH DEFECTS MONITORING & ANALYSIS UNIT
MARCH 12, 2018

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF PEDIATRICS
MARCH 12, 2018

ARIZONA BIRTH DEFECTS MONITORING PROGRAM
MARCH 10, 2020

THE SOUTH CAROLINA BIRTH DEFECTS PROGRAM AND THE SOUTH CAROLINA EARLY HEARING DETECTION AND INTERVENTION PROGRAM
2023

TEXAS BIRTH DEFECTS REGISTRY
2025

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Honoring an NBDPN member who has made significant contributions important to the mission and goals of the National Birth Defects Prevention Network

PRESENTED TO:

AMY CASE, MPH
FEBRUARY 6, 2007

TIMOTHY FLOOD
FEBRUARY 6, 2007

APRIL MONTGOMERY, MPH
FEBRUARY 13, 2008

JULIANNE COLLINS, PHD
FEBRUARY 13, 2008

CAROL STANTON, MBA
FEBRUARY 23, 2009

MARK CANFIELD, PHD
MARCH 8, 2010

ANGELA SCHEUERLE, MD
MARCH 2, 2011

ANGELA SCHEUERLE, MD
MARCH 2, 2011

ANGELA LIN, MD
FEBRUARY 29, 2012

RUSSEL RICKARD, MS
FEBRUARY 26, 2013

MARY M. KNAPP, MSN, RN
FEBRUARY 26, 2013

BARBARA WARMERDAM
APRIL 23, 2014

BARBARA WARMERDAM
APRIL 23, 2014

GLENN COPELAND, MBA
OCTOBER 19, 2015

JANE CORREIA
OCTOBER 19, 2015

JOAN EHRHARDT, CGC
MARCH 12, 2018

AMY NANCE, MPH
MARCH 12, 2018

PETER LANGLOIS, PHD, MSC
MARCH 10, 2020

KIMBERLEA HAUSER, MBA
2023

JANE FORNOFF, DPhil, MA, MSc
2025

SPECIAL RECOGNITION FOR EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE TO THE NATIONAL BIRTH DEFECTS PREVENTION NETWORK

PRESENTED TO
CAROL STANTON, MBA (CO)
MARCH 2, 2011

OTHER AWARDS

Honoring an NBDPN member who has made significant contributions important to the mission and goals of the National Birth Defects Prevention Network

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AWARD

MAHSA M. YAZDY, PhD, MPH
2023

WENDY NEMBHARD, MPH, PhD
2025



RUSSEL S. KIRBY MENTORING AWARD

DR. PHILIP LUPO, PhD
2025



BUILDING BRIDGES AWARD

**Association of Maternal and Child
Health Programs (AMCHP)**
2025