



*Chicago Health Executives Forum (CHEF) –
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&
the ACHE Illinois Metropolitan Chicago Regent
announce the:*

2021 CHEF/Regent Professional Achievement Awards

ACHE Healthcare Leadership Award

The ACHE Healthcare Leadership Excellence award was established to recognize a mid-career to executive level individual with a sustained track record within the local community or community healthcare institution, which has fostered advancement of the field of healthcare leadership. This award highlights a Chicago-area healthcare leader who has consistently demonstrated administrative achievement and creativity in one or more of the following areas: development and adoption of best practices in healthcare leadership, successful stewardship of capital projects or significant organizational initiatives, operations performance improvement, healthcare public policy initiatives, professional mentoring, or community leadership or volunteerism. Nominees must be a Member or Fellow (FACHE) of the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE).

Applicants or nominators are asked to complete the 2021 CHEF/Regent Professional Achievement Awards Nomination Form and prepare an overview stating the rationale for the nomination of no more than 500 words. The overview should contain details regarding the reason(s) for nomination, the planning, implementation, and outcomes results of the accomplishment being recognized, and the timeline of the leadership period to be recognized. Inclusion of a resume or detailed biography is recommended.

Applications, overview and supportive documentation must be submitted via email to info@chefchicago.org

Questions? Please contact either of the following Committee CoChairs:

- Tim Weidman, tweidman@walshgroup.com
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The ACHE Career Achievement Award gives special recognition to individuals who have made a significant impact on the healthcare industry. This award focuses on senior level healthcare professionals who have demonstrated an active commitment to advancing the healthcare leadership as a profession, and who have served as role models in their organization and community. This individual would also be a Member or Fellow (FACHE) of the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE).

Applicants or nominators are asked to complete the 2021 CHEF/Regent Professional Achievement Awards Nomination Form and prepare an overview stating the rationale for the nomination of no more than 500 words. Details should include the reason(s) for nomination and what accomplishments have been achieved by the nominee that has made a lasting impact on the profession of healthcare leadership. Inclusion of a resume or detailed biography is recommended.

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ACHE Health Studies Student Award

The ACHE Health Studies Student Leadership/Administrative Fellow Award recognizes the achievements of an outstanding Graduate Student in a Chicago area healthcare management program that is part of the ACHE Higher Education Network **and/or** an Administrative Fellow (or Student) at a Chicago area healthcare organization. Applicants will be acknowledged for noteworthy personal achievement(s) such as project formulation and analysis, academic coursework, professional paper publication, or professional and organizational leadership. Professional leadership activities could include active involvement with the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE) or other healthcare professional organizations.

Nominators are asked to complete the 2021 CHEF/Regent Professional Achievement Awards Nomination Form, with submissions limited to 500 words. Note that only self-nominations and second party nominations will be accepted. The graduate student and/or administrative fellow/ resident must be a member of ACHE. In addition, grade point average (if applicable), resume, organization & community leadership and recommendations will all be considered in the application process. Intent of this award is to recognize individuals who go above and beyond with regards to contribution, personal development, perseverance and achievement.

The winner(s) of this award will receive complimentary ACHE dues for his/her first year post-graduation or a paid registration to a local ACHE Chapter Event (CHEF). An additional \$500 scholarship award will be given.

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CHEF Innovations Award (Team Award)

The CHEF Innovations Award recognizes the accomplishments of a healthcare team, as identified by the team's leader, which has inspired leadership, change and advancement in the Chicago area healthcare community. This award seeks to **highlight successful clinical, financial and/or other management teams within an organization**. The winners of this award will be a group of individuals that have established innovative programs, technologies, and/or processes which improved clinical outcomes, achieved other measurable results through quality management, enhanced the organization's revenue stream and/or reduced the organization's expenses while staying in line with the organization's mission, vision and values. New and/or established programs, technologies and/or processes are eligible.

Applicants are asked to complete the 2021 CHEF/Regent Professional Achievement Awards Nomination Form and prepare an overview stating the rationale for the nomination of no more than 500 words. The overview should contain details regarding the reason(s) for nomination, how the applicant supports the organization's core values as well as including the planning, implementation and outcome results of the accomplishment being recognized and the relevant timeline for the accomplishments. Strongest consideration will be given to nominations with demonstrated, measurable outcomes and at least a year of data. **Please note that at least one member of the team must be a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE) and must be named on the application.**

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CHEF Service Excellence Award (Team Award)

The CHEF Service Excellence Award recognizes the accomplishments of a leadership team in the Chicago area healthcare community that has paved the way for excellence in service delivery for their organization. This award seeks to highlight successful clinical or management **teams** that have developed programs and/or initiatives that foster an enhanced experience that key constituents have when interacting with the organization. The programs and instituted initiatives must directly correlate with what the organization defines as service delivery excellence. The winners of this award must demonstrate a keen understanding of what drives excellence and loyalty for those that work for and with the organization. New and/or established programs and/or initiatives are eligible.

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CHEF Community Leadership Award

The CHEF Community Leadership Award recognizes the accomplishments of a health care leader or an organization in the Chicago area that has paved the way for excellence in health care service delivery. This award seeks to highlight successful health care leaders that have a demonstrated commitment toward the design, direction and delivery of quality health care within the community. The individual works to connect key stakeholders in bridging the evident gap in the fragmentation of care and delivery of services and promotes education as a measure to strengthen communities. Nominees should have developed programs and/or initiatives that foster an enhanced health care experience. The winners of this award must demonstrate a keen understanding of what drives excellence and loyalty for those that work for and with the organization.

Starting in 2021, consideration for leader or organizations, who have made a difference through their achievements, that exemplify, merits in and around the Diversity, Inclusion and Equity categories are strongly encouraged to submit nominations.

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Applicants do NOT need to be a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE).

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ACHE Young Healthcare Executive Award

The ACHE Young Healthcare Executive Award recognizes the achievements of a healthcare leader serving in the metropolitan Chicago area. Applicant must *not* have reached his/ her 40th birthday by December 31, 2021.

Applicant must have demonstrated healthcare leadership and contribution to the healthcare community; inside and outside their respective organizations. Additionally applicant must support the profession of healthcare management through participation in local, state, or provincial hospital and health association activities as well as civic/community activities and projects.

Nominees should have developed programs and/or initiatives that enhance the health care delivery experience in a health provider organization and also supported the healthcare leadership profession through contribution to professional health and community associations. The applicant must be a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE).

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