

Dr. R. Neil Lowry Grant

Advancing the public's health and safe use of recreational water

What is the Dr. R. Neil Lowry Grant?

The Dr. R. Neil Lowry Grant is a \$5,000 award that honors a public health official or department who has made outstanding contributions to advance the public's health and safe use of recreational water in pools, spas and waterparks through educational, safety, operational, and technical programs.

Why was this grant established?

In 2009, a grant was established in memory of Dr. Robert Neil Lowry, a long-time member of The Association of Pool & Spa Professionals (APSP), now the Pool & Hot Tub Alliance (PHTA), who influenced the pool and spa industry for over 25 years as a healthy water consultant to government and private industry. To learn more about Dr. Lowry and his work, click [here](#).

How can I apply or nominate an organization?

Download the nomination form at APSP.org/Lowry

What's the deadline to apply?

Completed nomination forms should be e-mailed to awards@phta.org no later than **Friday, May 17, 2019**.

Who selects the winner?

Representatives of the PHTA Recreational Water Quality Committee (RWQC) will select an outstanding public health official or department by Friday, May 31, 2018. The PHTA RWQC develops and maintains authoritative information for the aquatic community regarding chemical products, processes, and devices that affect water quality maintenance of swimming pools, spas, and hot tubs. The committee uses scientific data, research and sound engineering practices in its development of all PHTA information, PHTA publications and American National Standards Institute (ANSI) accredited APSP standards.

When will the grant be presented?

The Dr. R. Neil Lowry Grant award will be presented during the Awards Ceremony at the NEHA 2019 Annual Educational Conference (AEC) & Exhibition, July 9–12, 2019, at the Gaylord Opryland Resort and Convention Center in Nashville, Tennessee.

What happens if I or my organization is selected for the grant?

A check in the amount of five thousand dollars (\$5,000 USD) will be mailed to the winner. There is no additional paperwork to complete. The winner, or a representative on behalf of the winner, is expected to receive the Dr. R. Neil Lowry Grant award during the Awards Ceremony at the NEHA 2019 AEC & Exhibition. In addition, the winner is expected to submit an abstract for the 2020 NEHA AEC, July 13-16, 2020, in New York when NEHA issues the Call for Abstracts.

Who has won in the past?

Arizona Department of Health Services, AZ; Quechan Parks and Recreation, AZ; Riverside County Department of Health, CA; Columbus Public Health, OH; Middlesex-London Health Unit of London, Ontario (Canada); Brevard County Department of Health Environmental Health Services Department, FL; Sacramento County Environmental Management Department, CA; Alexandria Health Department, VA; City of Houston, TX; and the City of Plano, TX..

Who can I contact with additional questions?

Please contact or call 703.838.0083.