



*First Nations Health Managers Association*  
*Association des gestionnaires de santé des Premières Nations*



## **Excellence in Health Leadership Award – Innovative Leaders**

In partnership with [Healthcare Excellence Canada](#), the [First Nations Health Managers Association](#) (FNHMA) is pleased to announce that nominations are now open for the **Excellence in Health Leadership Award – Innovative Leaders**.

The award is designed to recognize those who have exhibited a sincere and long-term commitment and leadership in First Nations health management in Canada. The award will be presented during the FNHMA National Annual Conference on November 5, 2025, in Montreal, Quebec.

This is your chance to recognize a leader from your organization who demonstrated leadership and resilience by implementing an innovative program or initiative in response to community-specific needs. This might include an innovative model of health system improvement or a program to build cultural safety and address racism.

Nominations based on the award requirements must be submitted to FNHMA.

### **Eligibility and Criteria**

**Nominees must hold the FNHMA's Certified First Nations Health Manager (CFNHM) professional designation and possess the following:**

- advanced health management capabilities in First Nations communities;
- demonstrated health leadership and health management expertise in their organization;
- evidence of modeling their own continuous learning and capacity development and support of continuous learning in their employees;
- demonstrated ability to respond and anticipate needs in times of crisis that support the health and wellbeing of the community;
- evidence of work and action dedicated to health system improvement and innovation, particularly during times of crisis; and
- demonstrated innovation and resilience.

### **Nominations**

To nominate a candidate for this prestigious award, please complete the **nomination form** that follows and collect **two letters of support** from leadership and/or partners.

The deadline for nominations is **Wednesday, September 17, 2025 at 5 p.m. ET**. Please email nomination packages to [gail.boyd@fnhma.ca](mailto:gail.boyd@fnhma.ca).



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### **NOMINATION FORM**

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**Nominee's name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Is the nominee a Certified First Nations Health Manager (CFNHM) in good standing? Please check:** ☐

**Nominee's current employer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee's current job title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee's address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee's telephone number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Nominee's email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of nominator(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone number of nominator(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email address of nominator(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Why is the nominee deserving of this award?** (Maximum of 500 words – please provide information on a separate page, if needed.)

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