

## **MAND Public Policy Leadership Award**

Each year at the Legislative Breakfast, the Maine Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics presents a member of the Maine House or Senate with the Public Policy Leadership Award.

The MAND Board seeks to recognize public policy leaders who have demonstrated outstanding service and support for nutrition and health issues of importance to the Maine Academy and the public. The recipient(s) must be nominated by a member of MAND and chosen by the MAND Board of Directors based on recommendations of the Public Policy Panel.

The recipients must meet the following criteria:

- Must have exhibited support for efforts to change/improve/strengthen public policy particularly in the areas of nutrition, food, health care and public health and/or be in a position (i.e., committee assignment or leadership) to have an impact on key policy issues.
- Administrator or member of House or Senate must be accessible to MAND members. The nomination process for the Public Policy Leadership Award for the following year begins in December.

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## Maine Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics 2016 Public Policy Leadership Award (PPLA)

Please complete this form legibly. All information must be completed for consideration. A cover letter and any supporting documentation should be attached to this form. All nominations must be received by **Sunday, January 10, 2016**.

Date:

### **NOMINATOR:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Academy Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

Position if applicable (*e.g. Affiliate President, PPC, SPR*): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Fax/Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### **NOMINEE FOR PPLA:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Public Role: \_\_\_\_\_

District: \_\_\_\_\_

### **General Criteria:**

Points are assigned based on the criteria below:

- The nominee must be a member of the Maine Senate or the Maine House of Representatives.
- Must have exhibited support **at the state level** for efforts to change/improve/strengthen public policy particularly in, but not limited to the areas of nutrition, food, health care and public health and/or be in a position (i.e., committee assignment or leadership) to have an impact on policy issues of key importance to the Academy and its members. Such issues include: aging/older Americans, child nutrition, food and food safety, health literacy and nutrition advancement, Medical Nutrition Therapy, nutrition research and monitoring, and/or obesity/overweight/healthy weight management. Please document nominee's activities in this area, including sponsorship or co-sponsorship of a bill supported by MAND, advancing MAND issues at the committee level or sending letters of support to state agencies on behalf of MAND.
- The Member of the legislature must be accessible to Academy members and staff, both in Augusta and in the local area.

- Note: Anyone who has received this award in the last five years is ineligible for it. Please refer to list at the end of this form of past winners.

**Other relevant activities or information**

**Why, in your opinion, does this legislator deserve to be recognized at this time by the MAND? What distinguishes him/her from other supportive Members?**

**Award application must be received no later than Sunday, January 10, 2016.**

**Award applications may be sent by email to [patsycatsos@gmail.com](mailto:patsycatsos@gmail.com).**

Questions should be directed to Patsy Catsos, 207-318-7629

Past award recipients

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