



Nominate an outstanding person or organization for the Betí Thompson Community Health Champion Award

The Fred Hutch/University of Washington/Seattle Children's Cancer Consortium (Cancer Consortium) is proud to announce the opportunity to recognize a **community health champion** who has made an extraordinary impact on the health and well-being of their community, their nation, or Washington state for their dedication and service to the community.

This award is named for Dr. Betí Thompson, a community-based participatory research practitioner at Fred Hutch, who has devoted her research career to helping underserved populations by working with community partners and stakeholders to develop culturally relevant interventions that have addressed public health concerns brought forth by the community. Dr. Thompson has been an inspiration and role model for many working towards social justice for medically underserved and disadvantaged populations. Since 2017, this award is given annually to an individual, group, or organization in Washington state that strives for inclusion to achieve the vision of a world of equity where all members benefit from the resources that are available in our society.

For the purpose of this award:

- **Public health** is concerned with protecting the safety and improving the health of a community through the promotion of healthy lifestyles, research for disease and injury prevention, and detection and control of infectious diseases.
- **Social justice** refers to challenging injustices to improve public health and well-being through work that leads to the reduction, and ultimately elimination, of health disparities.

To nominate an individual, group or organization, you must complete the online nomination form and submit a nomination letter that provides evidence and examples about the nominee as follows:

1. State in your own words why you are nominating this individual, group, or organization for this award. (250 words)
2. Explain how the nominee shows creativity and/or innovation in the development or application of strategy/strategies to address a public health issue in the community. (150 words)
3. Briefly describe a major positive health outcome for a disparate, disadvantaged, or underserved population that has resulted from the nominee's efforts. (150 words)



Please note Cancer Consortium institution employees are not eligible for this award.

Nomination materials should be assembled by the nominator and submitted as a single PDF document. Nominations can be submitted online at <https://redcap.link/2023ThompsonAwards> and must be received by 11:59 PM PST on Monday, March 27, 2023.

Submissions will be evaluated by a sub-committee convened by the Cancer Consortium's Office of Community Outreach and Engagement.

The award will be presented at the Pathways to Equity Symposium on Monday, May 1, 2023. Award recipients will receive a \$250 honorarium.

Questions? Please email us: enddisparities@fredhutch.org.