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## IHF Awards 2020: Deadline Extended



Entry submissions for the International Hospital Federation (IHF) [Awards 2020](#) has just been extended to 30 June 2020. Until then, hospitals and health service providers can still nominate their outstanding and innovative projects and programmes. The awards will be presented during the 44th IHF World Hospital Congress (WHC) to be held on 2-5 November 2020 in Barcelona, Spain.

You may also like: [IHF Awards 2020: Call for Entries is Now Open](#)

Dr Lawrence Lai, Chairman of the IHF Awards Committee, said in a statement that due to the COVID-19 pandemic it would be difficult, if not impossible, for healthcare providers to divert their attention away from their fight against the coronavirus. “In these challenging times, we would like to take this opportunity to pay a special tribute to you and all staff in your organisation for the professionalism and dedication in fighting this pandemic. Your selfless sacrifices and immense contributions to safeguard the health and wellbeing of your community deserve not only our recognition, but also our deepest gratitude,” the statement said.

Since 2015, the IHF Awards have been recognising and honouring hospitals and healthcare service provider organisations for innovation, excellence, outstanding achievements and best practices in areas, such as governance, leadership, quality service delivery, innovations, to name a few.

The awards traditionally include four [categories](#), and two more have been added this year.

- IHF/Dr Kwang Tae Kim Grand Award
- IHF/Bionexo Excellence Award for Corporate Social Responsibility
- IHF/ACHE Excellence Award for Leadership and Management in Healthcare
- IHF/AUSTCO Excellence Award for Quality & Safety and Patient-centred care
- IHF/Ashikaga-Nikken Excellence Award for [Green Hospitals \(NEW\)](#)
- IHF/Sultanate of Oman Excellence Award for Health Services During Crisis **(NEW)**

In each category, gold, silver and bronze awards are presented. More information is available [here](#).

You may see the list of IHF Awards 2019 winners [here](#).

## **IHF Support for Healthcare Leaders**

This is not the only step toward supporting healthcare in times of the COVID-19 pandemic. Understanding that currently health leaders have to focus on sustaining their organisations at all levels, the IHF has developed a number of projects, such as a resource portal or a dedicated LinkedIn group, among others. You can read the overview in an [article](#) by Dr Eric de Roodenbeke, IHF's CEO, published in '[COVID-19 Care Continuum](#),' the latest issue of HealthManagement.org – The Journal.

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