



"Gratitude is the memory of the heart."

Jean Baptiste Massieu

Thank you, dankee, shukran, do jeh, xie xie, dêkuji, tak, kiitos, merci, grazie, arigoto, kamsa hamnida, spasibo, ua koj tsaug, gracias, asante, khawp khun and cám oʻn!,

In many words, in many ways, thank you for all that you do for North Carolina's children, families and our communities.

The GlaxoSmithKline Child Health Recognition Awards program honors local health departments, public health staff and individuals for innovative, collaborative programs that improve the lives of North Carolina's children. The program is sponsored by a grant from the North Carolina GlaxoSmithKline Foundation and works with the North Carolina Public Health Association to highlight nominations from across the state.

North Carolina public health professionals are working harder than ever to meet the needs of children and families as they struggle to come out of the recession. They are finding more ways than ever to be creative, innovative and collaborative, and we are appreciative and send a thank you to each person making a difference.

Creativity abounds in Jackson County, where the community comes together to help local health officials implement programs that improve the lives of children and families. On behalf of the Blue Ridge Free Dental Clinic, local men don tutus and tiaras to teach children how to brush, floss and develop good eating and dental hygiene habits. With the help of their community and these "Tooth Fairies," children in the Appalachian Mountains face futures with brighter smiles.

We applaud other touches of innovation, including the Cleveland County Asthma Coalition's successful annual "NoWheeze Asthma Camp," the "Operation Vaccination" that is boosting adolescent immunization rates in Wilson County, and a costumed rabbit/dentist named "Dr. Brushwell" at the Alamance-Caswell "Give Kids a Smile" mobile dental unit.

With the passion, commitment and compassion so often found among public health professionals, it's no wonder that this year's nominees have been called "a beacon of light," or "someone who's never afraid to think boldly and expansively," or "someone who is called to help with the most difficult patients in the most distressed circumstances."

Thank you to all nominators who submitted entries for this year's awards program. Thank you for sharing your best practices with your community of fellow public health professionals. Sharing best practices is an efficient, effective way to meet the needs of families and children any time and especially when budgets are tight. Sharing best practices is one of the driving forces behind the GlaxoSmithKline Child Health Recognition Awards, and one of the reasons we produce this booklet: To thank public health professionals for their work and to share ideas and successful programs with other public health professionals across the state.

We know that words are not enough to say thank you for all that you do every day in your jobs. Your true reward is when you see the smile of a child, hear the cry of a healthy newborn, or see a child with asthma running and playing with other children. For all of that, and for keeping our entire state safer and healthier, we are grateful.

# Thank you

(English)



# LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT RECOGNITION

The lifetime achievement award is given to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to improving children's health services through a series of achievements over a period of time.

The award consists of a monetary grant given to the North Carolina Public Health Association for scholarship in the name of the award recipient, honoring his commitment to this valuable cause.

# 2011 Recipient of the LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT RECOGNITION AWARD

Olson Huff, MD, FAAP Physician/Child Advocate 50 Bethel Drive Black Mountain, NC 28711 828-669-7658



When Dr. Olson Huff finished serving as a flight surgeon in the United States Air Force, he could have practiced anywhere. Fortunately for North Carolina's children, he landed here and has spent more than three decades improving children's health as a consummate pediatric practitioner, an expert in both program and service system development and a tireless advocate. Whether treating children directly—much of his practice focused on children with special

"He is...never afraid to think boldly and expansively." needs—or leading in the policy arena, Dr. Huff provides outstanding leadership, guidance, inspiration and hands-on support to anyone intent on improving the health and wellness of children and families. Described by a nominator as never being "afraid to think boldly and expansively," Dr. Huff introduced developmental medicine in the western part of the state, improving the lives of thousands of children with special needs. He was instrumental in the passage of NC Health Choice, the state's child health insurance program. Although he is retired, he never stops working for children, serving on a myriad of local, state and national boards and as a consultant to Mission Healthcare Foundation and the children's programs of The Duke Endowment.

By doing all of this with his trademark enthusiasm, wisdom, perseverance and grace, Dr. Huff has touched the lives of thousands of children directly, and millions around the state who may never know his name.





#### INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITION

The individual recognition award is given to an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to improving children's health services through a single effort.

The award consists of a monetary grant to be given to the North Carolina Public Health Association for scholarship in the name of the award recipient, honoring the commitment to this valuable cause.

## 2011 Recipient INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITION AWARD

Amina Ahmed, MD Associate Professor of Pediatrics Carolinas Medical Center 1001 Blythe Blvd., Suite 200 Charlotte, NC 28203 704-381-6872



Dr. Amina Ahmed, a pediatric infectious disease physician, is known as someone who accomplishes

great things but doesn't care who gets the credit. By collaborating with colleagues, local and state health departments and the Centers for Disease Control, she reaches out to treat children with tuberculosis and those at risk for the disease, many of whom are children of foreign-born parents without insurance. She communicates in several languages, and is known to postpone the start of vacations to make sure children with TB get the treatment they need. After an earthquake struck Haiti, she took time off from her work to serve as director of the pediatric unit at a hospital there. She also devotes part of her career to scholarly research, serving as principal investigator for studies and authoring or coauthoring publications. Dr. Ahmed's high ethical standards, compassion and devotion make her a role model for others.

## 2011 Recipient INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITION AWARD

Beth Lamanna, WHNP, MPH, RN Clinical Assistant Professor UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health CB #7460 Chapel Hill, NC 27599 919-966-5822

When Beth Lamanna discovered a low lead testing rate for Medicaid-eligible children in Chatham County, she and her nursing students got busy. She guided her students in developing a survey to assess barriers to blood lead screening, and involved them in evaluating data collected from the surveys. Along with advisors from the NC Rural Communities Assistance Project and representatives from the Chatham County Health Department, Ms. Lamanna and her nursing students proposed new policy solutions to improve testing rates and lower the level of lead exposure. After three years of work, Ms. Lamanna and her collaborators were successful in having the policies adopted by the county commissioners, allowing for earlier intervention for lead exposed children. She continues her work by connecting nursing students with a home visiting lead outreach nurse to assist in testing and intervention.





"We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

Winston Churchill



"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them."

John F. Kennedy

2011 Recipient
INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITION AWARD

Christopher Dyer, DMD (top photo) Michelle McDonald, DDS Robby Cahill Blue Ridge Free Dental Clinic PO Box 451, Cashiers, NC 28717 828-943-3393

While volunteering at the Blue Ridge Free

Dental Clinic, Robby Cahill noticed that many young people—in their 20s—were coming to the clinic with almost no savable teeth. They had no knowledge of basic dental care, and not only were resigned to eventually needing dentures, they also were at risk for coronary artery disease. Working with the Rotary Clubs of Cashiers and Highlands, Mr. Cahill and Dr.

McDonald and Dr. Dyer created the Children's Dental Health Project to break the cycle of neglect and instill good dental habits in children and their families. The dentists provide screenings at schools, and also volunteer at the Blue Ridge Free Dental Clinic. The program includes a voluntary fluoride rinse called "swish and spit," performed weekly in classrooms with teachers supervising. An annual Dental Awareness Day features "Tooth Fairies" (local gentlemen who don tutus and tiaras) to teach children how to brush, floss and develop good eating and dental hygiene habits. With the help of their community, children in the Appalachian Mountains may face futures with brighter smiles.

#### INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITION Nominees



#### Debbie Biggerstaff Innovative Approaches Coordinator Cabarrus Health Alliance 1307 S. Cannon Blvd., Kannapolis, NC 28083 704-920-1000

It seems that each time a new program was needed to improve the lives of children in Cabarrus County, Debbie Biggerstaff turned out to be the perfect person for the job. For more than 20 years, Biggerstaff has touched the lives of countless children in Cabarrus County, including working in an early intervention program for young children and their parents at Piedmont Mental Health before joining the Cabarrus County Health Department. In January 2009, Biggerstaff stepped forward to take on the new Early

Intervention Liaison Program, a partnership of Cabarrus County Partnership for Children and Sisters of Mercy. In 2010, the Cabarrus Health Alliance tapped Biggerstaff's leadership skills and experience to implement the Innovative Approaches Program action plan. Her vision, optimism and hard work have improved the system of care for children and youth with special care needs. By going the extra mile, Biggerstaff has a reputation for making sure that any child she's involved with gets what he or she needs.

Christopher M. Cerjan, MD Shelby Children's Clinic 709 N. DeKalb St. Shelby, NC 28150 704-482-1435

Dr. Christopher Cerjan knows that when he talks to a child's teddy bear about asthma, he is, in fact, talking to the child who is paying close attention to that bear! At a recent Asthma Expo/ Healthy Kids Day in Cleveland County, he "examined" 43 stuffed animals and used that as an opportunity to educate the children and their family members about asthma. Dr. Cerjan, a partner in the

Shelby Children's Clinic, has volunteered as medical director for the Cleveland County Asthma Coalition since its founding in 2002. Because of his enthusiastic advocacy for children with asthma and his ongoing support for the Coalition's programs, he has made an outstanding contribution to improving children's health in Cleveland County and across the state.

Baie Dankee (Afrikaans)





Miriam H. Labbok, MD, MPH
Professor, Practice of Public Health &
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Many women want to breastfeed their babies, but face barriers related to health care, their jobs or other challenges. Because she knows that breastfeeding gives babies the best start in life, Dr. Miriam Labbok tackles this huge public health problem. She has pioneered programs to help support women in low-income and underserved communities meet their goals to breastfeed. As director of the collaborative Carolina Global

Breastfeeding Institute, Dr. Labbok oversees the Breastfeeding-Friendly Health Care program and the Breastfeeding-Friendly Child Care program, which provide training, technical assistance, tool kits and assessment services to hospitals throughout the state and to child care facilities in Wake County. Because of the efforts of Dr. Labbok and her staff. many women and their babies are off to a healthier start together.

Grace Liem, NP
Family Nurse Practitioner
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Grace Liem works to assist the homeless, connecting a name to many who are seen as faceless to society. Her passion drives her to serve the underserved in Cabarrus County, offering the services of the Community Free Clinic, where she works as a family nurse practitioner. In addition to her work with the clinic, Grace and her poodle service dog Jaque can often be found in nursing homes, entertaining the residents.

Grazie (Italian)

#### INDIVIDUAL RECOGNITION Nominees



Elizabeth Rukenbrod, FNP Family Nurse Practitioner Union County Health Department 1224 W. Roosevelt Blvd. Monroe, NC 28110 704-296-4802

Elizabeth Rukenbrod, known as Liz to her friends and colleagues, knows that parents often leave the public health clinic overwhelmed by the amount of information that's discussed during their visit. The nurse practitioner has developed a series of agespecific, easy-to-read handouts for parents on topics ranging from nutrition to crying, sleep, fever, safety and oral health. She loves finding new and better ways to engage

and educate parents about their child's development. She also developed the "Newborn News" and "Baby Bulletin" newsletters to keep parents up to date on information to care for their children. Her colleagues value her positive, caring attitude and radiant personality. She is seen as an asset to the community where she works to make a difference in the lives of the people she serves.

Mary Beth Thorn, MMS, PA-C Physician Assistant Coastal Children's Clinic 703 Newman Road New Bern, NC 28562 252-633-2900

Mary Beth Thorn is one of those women who stays on the run, figuratively and literally, in her job, in her home life and in serving her community. A physician assistant for 26 years, she has practiced pediatric medicine in the New Bern area for years. Her special interest is adolescent medicine—she knows how difficult it is for many of today's youth to overcome challenges as they head toward adulthood.

She also is able to

reach out to Spanishspeaking patients, using her
undergraduate degree in
Spanish to help provide quality
care to all, especially those
who might be unheard or
misunderstood. She also serves
as adviser, coach, advocate and
mentor for Girls on the Run,
an international initiative that
encourages young women to
develop strength, self-respect
and commitment through
running.

# PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF RECOGNITION

The public health staff recognition award is given to individuals who are full-time or part-time employees or retirees of a local health department in recognition of their outstanding service in preventive health activities in their local community.

Awards are made consisting of monetary grants to be used by the grantee for activities such as a special project, personal development or educational materials.

# 2011 Recipient PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF RECOGNITION AWARD

Eric C. Nickens, Jr.
Health Education Supervisor
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Going to the dentist can be scary for young children, but not when they visit the Alamance-Caswell "Give Kids a Smile" mobile dental unit. In addition to getting a checkup and minor treatment, the young patients interact with Dr. Brushwell (a costumed rabbit/dentist), have their faces painted, and leave with a backpack full of goodies donated by local businesses. Eric Nickens is the Alamance County Health Education Supervisor who makes this happen, and not only has he embraced Give Kids a Smile, he has notched up the program to make it a model throughout the state by adding a major component called "Adopt a Smile." Dentists are reluctant to do restorative work in the mobile dental unit, so they agree to select one or more children from those they meet at Give Kids a Smile, and provide dental care free of charge in their private practice. Many dentists adopt up to five children, but some have been known to adopt every child they see! With their healthier mouth and gums, and brighter smiles and futures, the children have Eric Nickens and his tireless efforts to thank.

## 2011 Recipient PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF RECOGNITION AWARD

Gayle Olson Pediatric Asthma Care Manager Albemarle Regional Health Services 711 Roanoke Avenue Elizabeth City, NC 27909 252-338-4369



Gayle Olson is the driving force behind asthma management and care in the seven-county region served by Albemarle Regional Health Services. In her work as pediatric asthma care manager, she educates families about how to monitor asthma, react to problems and how to use medications correctly. She communicates her messages using highway billboards, newspaper coverage, medication stickers, web sites—and in person. She is considered a vital liaison between doctors, school nurses, day care providers and families, and also is known to always make things better. As one colleague notes, "We call Gayle to help with the most difficult patients in the most distressed circumstances, and she never fails to improve the situation."



# Tak (Danish)







# 2011 Recipient PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF RECOGNITION AWARD

Kathleen Shapley-Quinn, MD Medical Director Alamance County Health Department 319 N. Graham-Hopedale Road, Suite B Burlington, NC 27217 336-227-0101

Depression is tough on anyone, but Dr. Kathleen Shapley-Quinn knows that it is even more critical to



catch and treat depression in women while they are pregnant and after their babies are born. The consequences for the woman, her infant and family can be potentially devastating. In her decade of serving as medical director of the Alamance County Health Department, Dr. Shapley-Quinn has taken steps to meet the mental health needs as well as the physical needs of low-income and minority women. She seeks collaborative solutions, calling on experts at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine to help treat pregnant women and new moms who suffer from addiction, reduce the disparities in breastfeeding and develop a videoconference to train her employees about how to assess and treat psychiatric illness during the perinatal period. She also works with incarcerated pregnant women to make sure they have access to adequate care. Because of her progressive approach to caring for women and children, she is considered a pioneer and a "beacon of light" for the children of Alamance County, before and after they are born.

#### PUBLIC HEALTH STAFF RECOGNITION Nominees



Amy Belflower-Thomas, MSPH, CPH
Public Health Preparedness Coordinator
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The best way to handle an emergency is to be prepared before it occurs. In her job as emergency preparedness coordinator for the Pitt County Health Department, Amy Belflower-Thomas partners with the local school system, child care centers and pediatrician offices to educate students on flu prevention and other health issues. Through her initiative, the Health Department purchased pandemic flu

preparedness kits for teachers, educational literature for students and distributed hand hygiene/cough etiquette books to pediatrician offices for children who receive flu vaccines. Her leadership and collaborative work style ensures that the numerous child health agencies in Pitt County take emergency preparedness and flu prevention seriously, and in doing so, they all encourage healthy behaviors in children.

Sharon Cope Boger, RDH
Public Health Dental Hygienist
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Sharon Cope Boger knows that oral health goes beyond brushing one's teeth and having dental exams. That's why she has spent so much time educating youth about related issues, like the grave risk of smokeless tobacco. For nearly two decades with the North Carolina Oral Health Branch, she has worked with local health departments, the school systems and social workers to promote dental

care access and prevent dental tooth decay through health fairs and school exhibits, the fluoride mouth rinse program, dental screenings and parent consultations. Whenever new information surfaces on research related to dental health, Dental Hygienist Boger can be counted on to get that new information out to all of the agencies who serve the children she advocates for.

# LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT RECOGNITION

The local health department recognition award recognizes local health departments that have developed an innovative program that has produced measurable, sustainable outcomes. Three local health departments receive awards consisting of monetary grants to be used by the grantees for activities such as special projects, staff development or educational materials

## 2011 Recipient LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT RECOGNITION AWARD

Catawba County Public Health 3070 11th Ave. Drive SE Hickory, NC 28602 828-695-5820

For many years, children and adolescents in Catawba County received health services through the Child Health Clinic and Totally Teens Health Center. Shifts in funding and a



desire to provide more continuity of care led to an expanded partnership with Catawba Pediatrics Associates (CPA), which had been serving the teen health center. Under the new arrangement, CPA provides health services to all child and teen patients of Catawba County Public Health. This allows the families and children to have a "medical home" where they can receive comprehensive health services as well as round-the-clock phone advice from registered nurses, emergency clinics on weekends and holidays, and two locations, making healthcare more convenient and accessible.



### 2011 Recipient LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT RECOGNITION AWARD

New Hanover County Health Department Refugee Health Program 2029 South 17<sup>th</sup> Street Wilmington, NC 28401 910-798-6500



Refugees typically flee their countries

quickly to avoid persecution or other danger and arrive in the United States with few resources. When a refugee resettlement program was established in New Hanover County in 2010, the New Hanover County Health Department began collaborating with the Interfaith Refugee Ministry and St. James Episcopal Church to meet the medical and health needs of refugees being relocated there. The Health Department used its longstanding relationship with the public school system to ensure that all refugee children receive necessary health and support services in the schools, and also established multiple programs and services, including Saturday outreach clinics. By giving refugee children a smooth transition into the community, this partnership is helping them and their families rebuild their lives.



# Asante

(Swahili)



# Spasibo (Russian)



#### 2011 Recipient LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT RECOGNITION AWARD

Pitt County Health Department Child Lead Poisoning Prevention Program 1717 West 5<sup>th</sup> Street Greenville, NC 27834 252-902-3219



Pitt County health officials battled a new challenge when cases of suspected lead poisoning were traced to a water source in 2005. During that time, Pitt County had the first lead poisoning case ever in the state in which the only source of lead that could be found was water, rather than the usual culprit of deteriorated lead-based paint. When officials of the Health Department and the water utility held a joint news conference and issued a joint news release, they helped educate citizens about steps to take to ensure that their drinking water was safe. The lessons learned from that investigation and follow-up actions is likely to prevent lead poisoning cases in the future.

Kamsa hamnida (Korean)

#### LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT RECOGNITION Nominees



Cleveland County Health Department Cleveland County Asthma Coalition 315 F Grover Street Shelby, NC 28150 704-484-5200

With little funding but a lot of enthusiasm, the Cleveland County Health Department pulled together several nonprofits and health care providers to form the Cleveland County Asthma Coalition nearly a decade ago. Since that time, the Coalition has become a regional leader, garnering state grants to support its activities and to lend support to coalitions in 10 other counties. The Cleveland

County coalition's efforts have expanded to include a successful annual NoWheeze Asthma Camp, Air Quality Flag program, an anti-idling program to reduce emissions from vehicles, placement of nebulizers in all schools, annual asthma expos, workshops for child care providers and development of a hot line and web site

Guilford County Department of Public Health School Nurses Kindergarten Health Assessment Clinic Project 1203 Maple St., Greensboro, NC 27405 336-641-3896

When school nurse Diana Spaulding learned that 62 **Guilford County students** had been excluded from kindergarten because they lacked the needed health assessment, she developed a plan of action. She pulled together a dozen school health nurses to provide health screening services at a special medical clinic for the kindergarten students, ensuring that the students would meet state requirements for obtaining a health report. A collaboration involving the Health Department, public school staff

and others identified students with limited resources who would qualify for the clinic. The 23 students who attended the clinic were screened for hearing, vision and other concerns, with the important goal to assist families with finding a medical home for future health needs. School nurses followed up with all students who were discovered to have health concerns related to speech, hearing, severe allergies, asthma, obesity and vision or dental problems. The clinic was such a hit that plans were underway right away to hold one again the following year.



#### LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT RECOGNITION Nominees

Pitt County Health Department Child Care Health Consultants Program 201 Government Circle Greenville, NC 27834 252-902-2360

When a tornado ripped through Pitt County in April, it demonstrated the importance of having plans in place for emergencies. The Child Care Health Consultants Program at the Pitt County Health Department developed and implemented a new emergency preparedness plan in child care centers, working with staff in the centers to develop plans. The consultants also provided kits containing weather radios, flashlights,

batteries, hand sanitizer, first aid kits and many other items that would be needed by a child care center during an emergency. Fortunately, because the tornado occurred on a Saturday, the disaster did not affect the child care centers as much as it would have on a weekday. But it illustrated why such plans are needed and showed initiative on the part of the consultants in developing this program.

Union County Health Department Immunization Program 1124 W. Roosevelt Blvd. Monroe, NC 28110 704-296-4802

Sometimes it is hard to find time in busy schedules to get influenza vaccinations, even when you are around children all day and really need them. The public health professionals at the Union County Health Department solved that problem by taking the immunizations to the place where the staff needed them the most—at the public schools. By setting up numerous immunization

clinics at schools, staff were able to get their Tdap and influenza vaccinations without having to leave their workplace. The Health Department also teamed up with the school system to provide Tdap clinics for rising 6th graders in several locations. The clinics were offered in the spring, ensuring that students were ready to enter 6<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall.



#### LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT RECOGNITION Nominees



Wilkes County Health Department Bright Futures Program 306 College Street Wilkesboro, NC 28697 336-651-7450

Going to a public health clinic involves a great deal of paperwork—for staff and for patients. The Wilkes County Health Department, by participating in a pilot state program called Bright Futures, has been able to streamline the process so that patients don't have to wait as long to be seen and so that staff are able to

spend more valuable time with the patients. The pilot program was a collaboration between the Health Department and several agencies to focus on quality improvement, efficiency and better access to health care. In the end, the children are the winners because they get the health care they need, better and faster.

Kiitos (Finnish)

Wilson County Health Department Operation Vaccination 1801 Glendale Drive SW Wilson, NC 27893 252-237-3141

The vaccination rate for adolescents skyrocketed after the Wilson County Health Department, working with Wilson County Schools, implemented Operation Vaccination, Adolescents are vulnerable to many vaccinepreventable diseases, but can be hard to reach with information, not to mention with vaccinations. During Adolescent Immunization Month, school nurses distributed information to parents of students from 5th

grade through middle school. Health Department staff provided vaccination clinics at a variety of locations, after school and on Saturday, using email, phone calls, newspaper articles, posters, web sites and other outreach tools to spread the word. The efforts resulted in a substantial jump from the previous year, with 333 vaccinations given to adolescents in 2011, compared to 115 the previous year, a 189 percent increase.



"What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us; what we have done for others and the world remains and is immortal."

Albert Pike

#### PAST AWARD RECIPIENTS

#### Lifetime Achievement Awards

2010 Leah Devlin, DDS, MPH George Greger-Holt, MEd Peter Morris, MD

2009 Sue Lynn Ledford, RN, BSN, MPA

> 2008 Joseph C. Stegman, MD

2007 Capitola L. Stanley, RN, MPH

> 2006 David A. Lockhart, MD

2005 Sarah T. Morrow, MD

# Lifetime Achievement Award Special Recognition

2005 John G. Johnston, MD

#### Individual Recognition Awards

2010 Jill Kerr, FNP, MS, MPH

2009 Marian Earls, MD, FAAP Alice Elio, RN, CCHC

2008 Willard Helmuth, MD

> 2007 Debbie Mason

2006 Christine O'Meara Brenda Walters 2005 Susan Yaggy

2004 Charles F. Willson, MD

> 2003 Tommy Jarrell

2002 Jonathan B. Kotch, MD, MPH

2001 Joseph D. Gatewood, DDS, PA

> 2000 Howard H. Loughlin

1999 Thomas J. Vitaglione

1998 Alex Alexander, DDS

1997 Trudy Wade, DVM 1996 Josephine Ann Cialone

1995 Frank Reynolds, MD

Individual Recognition Award
Special Recognition

2006 Kyle Gray Family

2004 James Norfleet Slade, MD

2001 Lynn Smith, RN, BSN

2000 Junius "June" Harris Rose, Jr., DDS Sharon Nicholson Harrell, DDS, MPH

> 1999 Olson Huff, MD





"Never worry about numbers. Help one person at a time, and always start with the person nearest you."

Mother Teresa

#### PAST AWARD RECIPIENTS

1998 Lori Bates

1997 Thomas M. Daniel, MD Ed Norman Carol Reid

> 1995 Ann T. Catlett Peter Morris, MD Kathy Johnson

Health Choice Promotion

Award Winner

2000 Buncombe County Health Center

> 1999 Brunswick County Health Department

Health Choice Promotion Special Recognition

2000 Madison County Health Department

1999

Orange County Health Department Graham County Health Department Macon County Health Department Swain County Health Department

Local Health Department Award

2010
Durham County Health Department
Mecklenburg County Health
Department
Wilkes County Health Department



2009

Cleveland County Health Department
Dare County Department of Public
Health

Wake County Human Services

2008

Caldwell County Health Department

New Hanover County Health
Department

Pender County Health Department

2007

Catawba County Public Health
Department

Henderson County Department of Public Health

Rowan County Health Department

2006

Buncombe County Health Center Craven County Health Department Union County Health Department 2005

Buncombe County Health Center Wake County Human Services Northampton County Health Department

2004

Rowan County Health Department Catawba County Health Department Surry County Health Department

2003

Pitt County Health Department Gaston County Health Department Buncombe County Health Center

2002

Alamance County Health Department Brunswick County Health Department Catawba County Health Department

2001

Cleveland County Health Department Lee County Health Department Rowan County Health Department





#### PAST AWARD RECIPIENTS

2000

Cleveland County Health Department Wilson County Health Department

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Stokes County Health Department Macon County Health Department Pitt County Health Department

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Onslow County Health Department Cleveland County Health Department Robeson County Health Department

1997

Edgecombe County Health
Department
Martin-Tyrrell-Washington District
Health Department
Pitt County Health Department

1996

Craven County Health Department Gaston County Health Department Wake County Department of Health 1995

Caldwell County Health Department Catawba County Health Department Randolph County Health Department

> Local Health Department Special Recognition

2005 New Hanover County Health Department

2000 Alamance County Health Department Orange County Health Department

1999 Surry County Health & Nutrition Center

1998 Caldwell County Health Department Jackson County Department of Public Health 1997 Halifax County Health Department Graham-Swain District Health Department Surry County Health Department

1995
Guilford County Health Department
Harnett County Health Department
Cabarrus County Health Department
Columbus County Health
Department
Appalachian District Health
Department

Public Health Staff Recognition Award

2010

Forsyth County Department of Public Health, Public Health Staff, Sunnyside Medical Clinic: Public Health Nurses Sandra Clodfelter, Linda Hill, Rhonda Michels, Natosha Moffitt and Judy Southern; Lab Technicians Melinda Hull, Melanie McCoy and Blake Pate 2009 Jennifer Garrett, RN, BSN, CPN, CSN Lee Lichtenwalter, MPH, RD, LDN Deborah Massenburg, BSDH, RDH

> 2007 Pamela Ellwood, RN FNP-C Amanda Marvin

> > 2006 Paul Jean Meis, MD

2005 Heather Wasser

2004 Mary "Pat" Sappenfield Angela Allen

> 2003 Lynda Kinnane

2002 Wanda Norman Judy Butler Tom Johnstone



"No man stands so straight as when he stoops to help a boy."

Knights of Pythagoras

# Cám o'n!

(Vietnamese)



#### PAST AWARD RECIPIENTS

2001 Betsy Alexander Sandra Boucher

2000 Jean Brewer Beckie Hermann

1999 Wanda Elliott Pamela Heath

1998 Mary Bradley Howard Campbell

> 1997 Sue Liverman Catrina Smith

1996 Ronald Boyles Vivian Jenkins 1995 Kelly Feimster Diane Cavanagh

Public Health Staff
Special Recognition

2000 Marian Duncan, MSA Margaret P. Moore

1999 Diane Brown William Milner, DDS, MPH

1998 George Bond, Jr., MPH Stacy Green

1997 Teresa Atkins Juanita Richardson, RN

> 1995 Eunice Inman Kim Sykes

#### 2011 SELECTION COMMITTEE

The North Carolina GlaxoSmithKline Foundation appreciates the diligence of the North Carolina Public Health Association (NCPHA) in overseeing the GlaxoSmithKline Child Health Recognition Awards program. NCPHA coordinates many tasks associated with the program, including selecting healthcare professionals to serve as committee members. We are grateful to the committee members for their time and careful consideration of all nominations. Thank you to everyone involved.

Kim Barrier Project Coordinator Durham County Health Department

Cindy B. Evans, RN-BC Program Manager, Clinical Services Wake County Human Services

> Elizabeth Hudgins Executive Director Child Fatality Task Force

Cynthia W. Jefferies, MBA Assistant Health Director Forsyth County Health Department



"Something that has always puzzled me all my life is why, when I am in special need of help, the good deed is usually done by somebody on whom I have no claim."

William Feather

# Simply ...

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