Award Guidelines:

Four awards can be granted annually. Solicitation for nominees begin in mid-September. Nominations must include a biographical sketch of the nominee and a paragraph describing the reasons she/he is being nominated. The form is found on the Idaho AAP website, under awards. The Executive Committee of the AAP makes the decision on the award winners. Winners are announced and recognized at the Winter meeting of the Chapter. Nominees may not previously have won an award in that particular category.

Idaho Chapter Pediatrician of the Year:

The Pediatrician of the Year award is given to an outstanding pediatrician who has contributed to the improvement of child health care in our state or nationally. It can be given for either a special project or for years of service on behalf of children. In order to be eligible for the Pediatrician of the Year Award, the pediatrician must be a member of good standing in the Idaho Chapter.

Nominations may be based on the following criteria:

1. Active involvement in the local chapter initiatives
2. Work in the area of advocacy for children
3. Involvement in community public awareness on behalf of children
4. Excellence in clinical areas
5. Active involvement on state-level or national-level committee(s)
6. Active involvement in the passage of state legislation benefitting children
7. Involvement in projects or programs that serve the needs of children
8. Well respected in the medical and public communities
9. Longevity, with a notable number of years devoted to the community and chapter of behalf of children
10. Involvement in other special projects or activities that contribute to the improvement of child health care.

Idaho Chapter Jerry Hirschfeld, Child Advocacy Award:

This award recognizes the individual who has performed extraordinary work in the effort to promote the health and welfare of Idaho’s children’s and families. The award is presented to a resident (nonphysician or physician) of Idaho who has contributed outstanding work as an advocate for children and children’s healthcare.

1. Demonstrated service to a project or cause on behalf of children
2. Established community involvement to effect change in systems affecting children’s issues
3. Proven commitment to children’s issues
4. Local, state or national champion of causes effecting children
5. If not a member of the Idaho Chapter the individual has worked in partnership with the Chapter in areas of advocacy to make an impact on the well being of children in Idaho.

Organization of the Year:

This award recognizes an organization (profit or not for profit) in the state of Idaho that has performed extraordinary work in the effort to promote the health and welfare of Idaho’s children and families.

1. Demonstrated service to a project or cause on behalf of children that is beyond their normal scope of day to day business
2. Offers an service to families that is vital the success and wellbeing of children in areas of greatest needs
3. Proven commitment to children’s issues in their leadership and community involvement
4. Champions of causes and solutions effecting children either local, state or nataionally.