



ASSOCIATION OF MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH PROGRAMS

## Award

Vince Hutchins Leadership Award

## Description

In 1998, AMCHP launched what was then called the “AMCHP Leadership Award” to recognize outstanding individuals, living or deceased, whose work has contributed to significant societal changes that have resulted in improvements in the health of American families and their various members. The first honoree, former First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, is exemplary of the stature of Leadership Award recipients.

In 2001, AMCHP renamed the Leadership Award for Dr. Vince Hutchins, a beloved national leader and life-long advocate for children’s health. During fifteen years as director of the Maternal and Child Health Bureau, Dr. Hutchins expanded the federal government’s commitment to women, children, youth and families. He also led development of new initiatives for children and families such as the Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition. In honor of Vince Hutchins, this award continues to recognize leadership in promoting a society responsive to the needs of women, children, youth, and families.

## Criteria

Nominees for the Vince Hutchins Leadership Award must meet the following criteria:

- Be a recognized national leader, living or deceased, with a long record of significant contributions to society, including state and federal levels of government, that improve the status of the maternal and child health community.
- Demonstrate accomplishments that advance, directly or indirectly, the health of American women, children, youth and families, including those with special health care needs.

## Selection Process

One award will be made annually from a pool of nominations solicited nationwide. AMCHP will issue a call for award nominations via AMCHP Pulse, Member Briefs, the AMCHP website and blast email to all AMCHP contacts approximately six months prior to the Annual Conference. Nominations will close and all materials must be submitted approximately five months prior to the Annual Conference. The Governance Committee reviews all nominations and submits a single recommendation for consideration by the Board of Directors. Nominees are notified of the final status of their submission approximately three months prior to the Annual Conference. The Vince Hutchins Leadership Award is awarded during the AMCHP Annual Conference. This award may not be awarded annually.

## Special Travel Funding

This award does not currently cover travel to attend the AMCHP Conference to accept the award in person.

## Prior Awardees

2018 Maria Nardella, MA, RD, CD	
2017 Lewis Margolis, MD MPH	2000 David Satcher, MD MPH
2015 Bonnie Strickland, PHD	1998 Hillary Rodham Clinton
2014 Dr. Maxine Hayes	
2013 Mrs. Michelle Obama	
2012 John Rossetti, DDS MPH	
2011 Jennifer Howse, PhD	
2009 Senator Edward “Ted” Kennedy	
2008 Peter Van Dyck, MD MPH	
2005 Marian Wright Edelman	
2002 Senator Tom Harkin	

