

**Title: The Ayliffe Award**

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## **1.0 Background**

Professor Graham Ayliffe (1926-2017) was a medical microbiologist. He studied medicine at Bristol University and was awarded an MD in 1963. In 1964 he joined the team at the Hospital Infection Research Laboratory, Birmingham in what is now known as the City Hospital. Professor Ayliffe published several books on the practical application of infection prevention and control. He was instrumental in the development of the 6-step hand hygiene technique, used by many UK hospitals and endorsed by the World Health Organisation in 2009. He was always supportive of the Infection Prevention Society (IPS) and the former Infection Control Nurses Association (ICNA).

In 2016, the IPS Board agreed to develop a lifetime achievement award and to name this the Ayliffe Award, this was awarded to Professor Graham Ayliffe the same year.

## **2.0 Purpose**

The Ayliffe award is bestowed on an individual who, at the discretion of the Honours Committee, meets the criteria laid down

### Criteria

- The person (not necessarily an IPS member) who has made a unique and outstanding contribution to the services of Infection Prevention and Control during their career.

## **3.0 Scope**

This award is not part of the 'annual' programme and therefore it is not expected that this award will be made annually but only in exceptional circumstances.

Any member of the Society may nominate an individual for the Ayliffe award who meets the criteria above.

## **4.0 Responsibilities**

The nominator is responsible for submitting a nomination to the IPS PA via the online nomination form for consideration at the next Honours Committee meeting

The Honours Committee are responsible for approving the award.

The IPS PA is responsible for ensuring that the nominated individual will attend the awards ceremony at the Conference Dinner.

The Honorary Treasurer is responsible for ensuring that travel to the conference venue, accommodation (if appropriate), one days complimentary conference registration and conference dinner ticket are funded for the nominee through central funds in line with the expenses standard operating procedure.

## **5.0 Procedure**

A nomination should be submitted to the IPSPA using the Ayliffe Award Online Nomination Form (SF2243). The Honours Committee will discuss the nomination at the Honours committee meeting following the nomination to approve/reject.

The Honorary Treasurer must inform the conference organiser of requirement for one days complimentary conference registration, conference dinner ticket and accommodation for nominee, if appropriate.

The President or representative will present the award to the winner at the Awards Ceremony at the Conference Dinner.

## **6.0 References**

SF2243 Ayliffe Award Nomination Form  
IPS Articles of Association  
IPS Regulations  
OD243 SOP – IPS Expenses  
OD2205 Honours Committee SOP