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APSAC's Awards Ceremony

Thursday, June 9, 2022

Welcome: Stacie Schrieffer LeBlanc, JD, MEd, APSAC President

Introduction: Viola Vaughan-Eden, PhD, MJ, MSW, APSAC President Emerita, Awards Committee Chair

Outstanding Article in the Child Maltreatment Journal

Isha Metzger, PhD, LPC; Riana Elyse Anderson, PhD, LPC; Funlola Are, PhD;

Tiarney Ritchwood, PhD

This award is presented in recognition of the very best article, as selected by the editorial staff, which appears in the APSAC Child Maltreatment Journal.

Presented by Vince Palusci, MD, Editor

Mark Chaffin Research Career Achievement

Andrea Sedlak, PhD

This award recognizes an APSAC member who has made repeated significant and outstanding contributions to research on child maltreatment over his or her career.

Nominator: Ted Cross, PhD

Outstanding Frontline Professional

Angela Essenburg

This award recognizes a front-line professional (e.g. child protection worker, law enforcement personnel, mental health counselor or medical professional) who demonstrates extraordinary dedication and skill in his or her direct care efforts on behalf of children and families.

Nominator: Claudnyse Holloman, Esq.

Outstanding Contributions to Prevention

Melissa Merrick, PhD

This Award recognizes a practitioner or researcher, an agency, or an institution that has made outstanding contributions to the field of prevention of child maltreatment and to the advancement of APSAC's goals.

Nominator: Bart Klika, PhD, MSW

Lolita McDavid, MD, MPA

Nominator: Stacie Schrieffer LeBlanc, JD, MEd

Outstanding Media Coverage

Joshua Overbay, MFA and Andie Mortenlander, MFA - Justice Film Collective

This award recognizes newsprint, broadcast journalism, or media coverage of child maltreatment issues which shows exceptional knowledge, insight and sensitivity.

Nominator: Rev. Darrell Armstrong, DDiv, MDiv, EdS-MFT

Outstanding Service and Advancement of Cultural Competency in Child Maltreatment, Prevention and Intervention

Corey B. Best

This Award recognizes an individual, organization or agency that has made outstanding contributions to the advancement of cultural competency in child maltreatment prevention and intervention.

Nominator: Morgan Cooley, PhD, LCSW

Joyce Thomas, RN, MPH, PNP, FAAN

Nominator: Stacie Schrieffer LeBlanc, JD, MEd

Outstanding Service

Stacie Schrieffer LeBlanc, JD, MEd

This Award recognizes a member who has made substantial contributions to APSAC through leadership and service to the Society.

Nominator: Ernestine Briggs-King, PhD & Viola Vaughan-Eden, PhD, MJ, MSW

Lifetime Achievement

Kathleen Faller, PhD, ACSW

This award recognizes an APSAC member who has made outstanding contributions to the field of child maltreatment and to the advancement of APSAC's goals over his or her career.

Nominator: David Corwin, MD

**APSAC would like to extend its appreciation to its members for the hard work they do in a field so worthy of attention and dedication.
Thank you for working toward the betterment of the lives of children everywhere!**

2021 Award Committee

**Viola Vaughan-Eden, PhD, MJ, MSW, APSAC President Emerita
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Ernestine Briggs-King, PhD

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